

'BURY THE DEAD' AT PLAYSHOP

Forum Offers Six Lectures On Democracy

With an impressive array of local sponsors, the Community Forum of Meadville will launch Tuesday evening a series of six League for Industrial Democracy lectures on questions which will hold the spotlight in 1938.

Scene of the course will be the Court House on the Diamond, where Dr. Jesse Holmes, Swarthmore professor of the history and philosophy of religion, will speak Tuesday on "Putting the Constitution to Work."

The address, like all others in the series, is scheduled for eight o'clock, p. m.

"These discussion lectures," said Dr. Irwin R. Beiler, Allegheny College, chairman of the Forum, "are an annual feature of the League's far-flung educational activity. They will present a progressive and stimulating approach to a half-dozen of the nation's most pressing problems, and will be treated by men who are intimately acquainted with their subjects."

Dr. W. Scott Hall, also of Allegheny College, is the treasurer of the Community Forum.

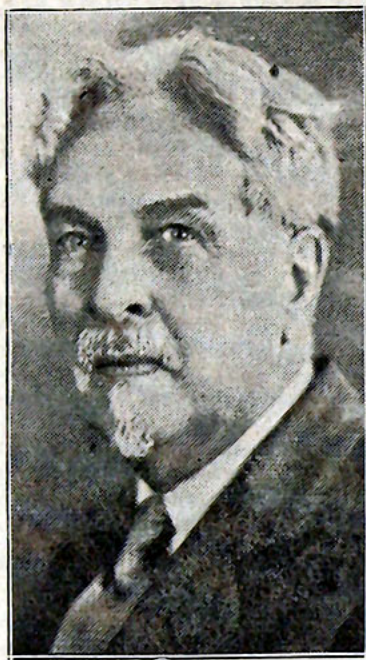
Season Tickets \$1.00.

Season tickets are being sold for \$1.00 by all members of the Forum, by Dr. Hall, Dr. Beiler, and Mr. Anderson of the faculty, and by Ray McGranahan, Ben Raskin and Ross Beiler for the students. Single admissions are priced at 25 cents.

The schedule brings Dr. Goodwin Watson, brilliant Columbia educator and editor of "Social Frontier," to illuminate the "Trends in the Cooperative Movement."

Relation of "Organized Labor and Industrial Democracy" will be treated by Tucker P. Smith February 1. Mr. Smith served as a member of the Brookwood Labor College and in the education department of the United Automobile Workers of America.

Howard Kester, teacher, minister, (Continued on page 4)



Dr. Jesse Holmes

HENKE ELECTED HEAD AT PSEA CONVENTION

Dr. Frederick G. Henke, Professor of Philosophy and Education, was elected president of the Department of Higher Learning of the Pennsylvania State Education Association at its annual meeting in Harrisburg December 27 to 29.

With a position as president of one of the Association's five departments, Professor Henke also becomes a member of the P.S.E.A. executive council, succeeding President Herbert Spencer, of the Pennsylvania College for Women.

The Pennsylvania State Education Association is an organization of 60,000 college and high school teachers, college presidents, county superintendents, and high school principals.

CARNEGIE FOUNDATION EXPERT INTERVIEWED ON NEW COMPREHENSIVE

"Objective exams are essentially tools of self-measurement," explained Dr. Charles R. Langmuir, of the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching, in an interview yesterday.

Here primarily as adviser for the cultural comprehensives to be administered in March, Dr. Langmuir believes that examinations ought to let you, the student, know where you stand intellectually among your fellows.

"Besides being useful to faculty in determining how much factual data you have at your command, objective exams will permit you to know yourself, informing you in what fields you are deficient."

"No preparation or cramming is necessary, because these examinations will be prepared without regard to curriculum," said Dr. Langmuir, who outlined the program's aims in a special chapel yesterday.

"In the sampling of specific information, it is true that a single item may be answered by chance—depending on whether you happened to read a particular book or newspaper."

"A whole battery of specific items, however, canvasses the general field of factual information available to the student."

"Of course, the test does not measure what you, the student, will do with the accumulated knowledge. It will merely tell you whether you keep the basic tools sharp."

"Nor will faculty judgement be eliminated. The instructor will still be judge of the student's method of organization, marking whether the facts are intelligently used."

"Such an examination eliminates the need for routine checkup on factual knowledge, and permits the instructor to emphasize techniques rather than tools."

Similar examinations have been administered to graduate students at Yale, Harvard, and Princeton Universities. Because there is one correct answer to each question, there is little possibility of variation except by clerical error. With the use of automatic grading machines even that possibility is removed, he explained.

THIRTY RESIDENTS NAMED ON SECOND PROCTOR'S LIST

Of the 62 freshmen residing in Caisch Hall, thirty are on the second Proctor's List, released today by Philip M. Benjamin, head proctor. This represents an increase of five over the last list. Mr. Benjamin was pleased to add. Requirements for honor rating state that a student must have no delinquent subjects, and have maintained an average of C or better throughout the second six-weeks' period.

The list of honor students follows: William Beckfield, Tom Cort, William Faloan, Lawrence Frost, James Gettamy, Howard Gibbs, George Hartwell, William James, William Kentor, Richard Lund, Norman Martin, Edgar Marvel, Richard Miller, William McEwen, Robert McVey, Fred Neckers, Robert Oberlin, David Robertson, Arthur Rosen, Robert Shane, Robert Sherman, Milton Shook, Andrew Singleton, Edwin Spofford, Donald Starr, Ross Turner, Robert Vought, Richard Walker, Rodgers Way, Harold Winters. Town men who achieved a similar high rating are:

Kenneth Graham, Theodore Her sh, Richard Kemper, Robert Laderer, Earl Phillips, Duane Pringle, James Schultz, Wrightson Tongue.

SOCIAL PRIVILEGES TEMPORARILY BANNED AT LOCAL FRATERNITY

Developments at the formal fall party of the Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity—due primarily to the boisterousness of bibulous alumni guests—led to a pre-Christmas edict abrogating the fraternity's social privileges until June.

In line with the administration's action and at the recommendation of the fraternities who have experienced con-

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siderable trouble with the delicate problem, a temporary ruling calls for the censorship of alumni guest lists by the president's office.

This censorship is, according to President Tolley, only temporary, and will soon be lifted, restoring the problem to the fraternities themselves, if they are capable of handling it.

Consensus of student and faculty comment was that Sigma Alpha Epsilon is no more to be censured in this matter than other social fraternities but that action must be taken against those who have offended the Christian codes of their fraternal orders and of the college.

At the core of the administration action lies a resolved attempt to establish sobriety and self-respecting manhood in college social fraternities.

SOCIAL CALENDAR

- 15—Basketball—Alfred U.—at home.
- Theta Upsilon Fall Formal.
- 18—Basketball at Grove City.
- 22—Basketball—U. of Rochester—at home.
- 25—First Semester Examinations.

"TRUTH IS ON THE MARCH AND NOTHING CAN STOP HER"

"Concentrated wealth, the corporate control of production by sixty families, is strangling America's well being." Thus speaks Secretary of Interior Harold L. Ickes.

"Capital is on strike to coerce the New Deal," adds Assistant Attorney General Robert H. Jackson.

And rocketing out of Washington comes ominous news of a voluntary jobless census—that there are between 7,822,912 and 10,870,000 unemployed in the land of peace, profit, and plenty.

Ring into the microphones, Franklin Roosevelt re-echoes Roosevelt the First as he enunciates the challenge: "We shall not permit malefactors of great wealth to check our determination that economic justice shall be provided to the underprivileged third of the nation."

With the ringing in of a new year of 1938, a bewildered and perplexed public calls for understanding and the application of intelligence to the nation's economic problems.

That is why "The Campus" welcomes the appearance of a progressive community forum in Meadville—offering "a program of education for a new social order based on production for use, not profit."

Six lectures—reputable economists, men of brilliant social insight—will offer provocative discussions of the nation's problems, under sponsorship of the League for Industrial Democracy.

Students of economics, of the humanities, of Life itself, will find here the meat and drink of economic thinking which has been so notably lacking in this year's Concert-Lecture series.

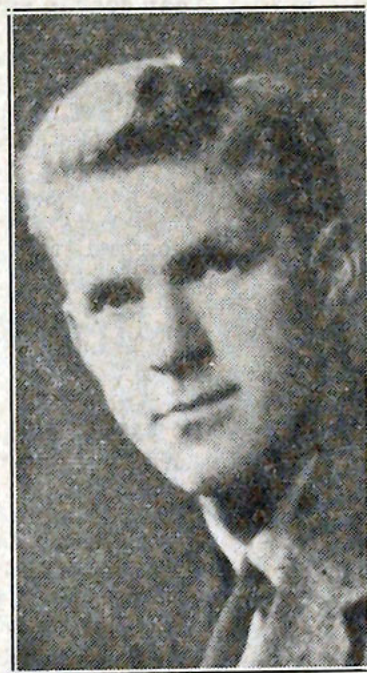
Thank God that in a democracy the value of ideas is not measured by their absurdly low price. Determined to confront you with the vital stuff which makes history, the League for Industrial Democracy enables the local committee to offer season tickets for one dollar. Tickets may be obtained from a campus committee headed by Dr. Irwin R. Beiler and Dr. W. Scott Hall.

Backed by more than forty prominent citizens, who recognize ideas with punch and drive which make world issues, the Community Forum offers thoughtful students a front-row seat in the theatre of tomorrow's dramatic headlines.

Meadville is awake today, as it has never been before.

Realistic Expose of War is the Next Drama Offering; Cast of 39.

As a sizzling indictment of war, Irvin Shaw's devastating play entitled "Bury the Dead" will next semester offer Allegheny students a view of the new and vital theatre in social action. Thirty-nine students will participate in the gripping scenes, and scores of others will aid with the intricate lighting and technical details, Miss Alice M. Spaulding, of the Drama Department, announced today.



RAY SHAFER, AUC president and one of ten Pennsylvania candidates for election to a Rhodes scholarship.

Taking as its theme the refusal of a group of war dead to be buried, the play, which was a striking success in New York's outspoken New Theater, describes the exorcisms attempted by officers of the army, the families of the perverse corpses, and the clergy to persuade the betrayed soldiers to receive burial. All is unavailing, but the dramatic story of their attempt leaves audiences breathless.

The drama consists of twenty-nine scenes, and terminates with the passage across the stage of the still unburied victims of war's slaughter. All action centers around their belated and pathetic desire to live—too late.

Accentuating the forceful scenes, intricate spotlighting of speakers will be arranged by Mr. John Hulburt, who will collaborate in directing the production.

Cast Soon Announced.

Promising to be one of the most outstanding plays ever to be produced by drama students here, certainly destined to provoke more lively thinking and deliberation, "Bury the Dead" has received unstinted praise from New York reviewers.

Publication of the cast selections will be a feature of the next issue of *The Campus*.

With discussion still under way, indications are that the A.U.C. will next semester provide for complete student attendance at Playshop performances by issuing season tickets to all undergraduates. In consideration of this, the Playshop will receive \$400.

Already demands for out-of-town presentations of this stirring dramatic document have been received, it is reported.

CHEMISTRY CLUB NOW ORGANIZED

The coming of a new year saw the birth of a new organization on the campus—the Allegheny Chemii.

Although the Allegheny Chemii is not organized as an honorary fraternity, it aims to serve the purpose of promoting interests among chemistry students. Membership is open to Juniors and Seniors majoring in Chemistry and to such students as the organization shall choose to elect from time to time.

Thus far Allegheny Chemii has had two meetings for the purpose of organizing and electing officers and honorary members.

Members Named.

Milan Harvey, '39, is president; Kermit Longley, '39, is vice president, and Harold Calbert, '39, is secretary-treasurer. Charter members include:

William Nye, Lewis Way, Edith Laurence, Maude Roberts, Susan Maury, Marian Ramsey, Walter Clemens, Robert McGuire, John Duessing, Harold Calbert, Cedric Spence, Kermit Longley, George Kelch, Mylan Harvey, David Miller, Don Jones, Albert Reep, Robert Allbright.

The organization is sponsored by Drs. J. E. Cavetti, Harold M. State, and Mr. Martin K. Howes. Honorary members include Allegheny alumni who have done outstanding work in the field of chemistry.

CHRISTIAN COUNCIL TO HOLD SUNDAY FORUM

The Allegheny Christian Council will hold an open forum on Sunday, at the Phi Kappa Psi House.

Adviser Donald Rowlingson will lead a discussion of the "Nature of God and Our Relation to Him."

All students are welcomed to the gathering.

INDEPENDENTS PLAN SOCIAL FESTIVITY

An all-Independent social gathering will be held Friday evening, in the Men's Lounge at Cochran Hall. Bowling, cards, dancing, and ping-pong will be featured during the course of the evening. All members of both groups are cordially urged to attend by James Vaughn, president of Independent Men.

Exam Period To Be Calmed By Johe's Organ Recitals

During the rigors of final examination period, students may find relaxation in the half-hour programs of organ music which will be given daily by Mr. Edward Johe.

The first program of the series will be given Tuesday, January 25, at 5:15 o'clock, and will continue daily to February 2. Melodies will soothe the ruffled spirits of students who have been subjected to final exams.

This Sunday at 4:00, the third of the present series of Sunday Vesper Recitals will be given.

The program will be as follows:
Allegro from Symphony No. 6—Widor
Litaney Schubert
Prelude and Fugue in A Minor.....J. S. Bach

Folk Tune Whitlock
Canyon Walls Clokey
Harmonise du Soir Kark-Elert
Finale from "1st Sonata" Guilmant



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"I do not agree with a word you say, but I will defend to the death your right to say it."—VOLTAIRE.

THERE'S A TAVERN IN THE TOWN

Even the sacred domain of liquor habits among American youth is now subject to thoroughgoing scrutiny by sociologists and experts.

Heretofore every conscientious citizen had his own irrefutable theory as to how fast the younger generation was heading to Hell, and what route they were taking.

Evidence of the lethal effect of mixing gasoline and alcohol has been piled up in the police records. Always it is the same story, or modulations of the same theme—of a speeding roadster weaving along the highway, the horrible skid and the slap of steel as it ploughs into the earth, human debris looking strangely inhuman in the pall of night flares, the ambulance, the tears, and the corner's final verdict: "Driving while drunk."

But just how much American youth drinks since repeal has been a subject of speculation.

A recent survey of representative youth in New York state, prepared for the National Conference of State Liquor Administrators by Dr. Paul Studenski of the New York University, gives some insight into the gravity of a subject which too long has been viewed with guilty humor and jocular evasion.

Searching into the college segment of New York population, the conclusions of his study are certainly not encouraging.

Eighty-three percent of college students reported that they drank, regularly or occasionally, either hard liquor or beer or wine.

And moreover . . .

The incidence of drinking among women of 18-21 and 22-25 age groups was higher than that of the men, with a larger percentage indulging in the sophisticated cocktail.

"Just why do students drink?" you ask amazedly, pretending that you don't know.

The survey tells us:

A majority of men students, irrespective of age or locality, said that they drink because it releases their inhibitions, because it makes them gay.

Young women drink to be sociable. Their elder sisters are convinced that they drink for the taste sensation.

And parents, this is for you . . .

Seventy to eighty percent of the students stated that their parents had no objections.

Liquor consumption among students is moderate, and student sentiment condemns the steady drinker, the survey reported.

Most prevalent form of indulgence is the periodic splurge, the alcoholic spree. It represents, we think, a revolt against the tensions of mechanized civilization, a drug to becloud the strange disorder of existence. For contrary to popular belief, alcohol is a narcotic and a depressant rather than a stimulant.

Something is sadly out of joint when Youth, which ought to feel coursing its veins the shouting rapture of life's discovery, must instead resort to the drug of the disillusioned and the world-weary.

But these nefarious evils are remote. New York state is eighty miles away. It is many blocks to the nearest liquor dispensary.

Cheerfully, we can go on pretending; after all, it seems to be good usage today in the economic world, where the problem of social welfare seems entirely dissociated from the plunge for profits.

But the problem is real, and staggering, too.

Liquor consumption in youth's formative years is a nasty influence. To eradicate it you cannot invest it with the allure of the il-

licit, as was tried under prohibition, or sanction it with sophisticated movie scenes, where the pouring of cocktails is a ceaseless ritual.

Someday, sometime, when civilization offers Youth a community of hope and a social vision for the future, it will be fashionable to be sober. Men will not lull themselves into a drunken torpor, for without life's frustrations they will know the dignity of being human.

BROWSE A BIT

To the rousing tune of hammers and saws, daily at Reis Library a new cultural center for Allegheny nears completion.

Through the thoughtful interest of Mr. John S. Craig, college trustee, of Pittsburgh, a fully equipped browsing room will soon invite you on excursions to worlds remote and thoughts sublime. Here will be kept the Elliott Smith collections, as well as rare limited editions.

Ideal for intimate lectures and book exhibitions, the Craig room will combine the former classical club and debate rooms. With a constantly changed collection of diverting books, timely publications will be yours to read.

In the inviting atmosphere of art objects and luxurious furnishings you can unharness yourself from classroom tribulations. In rapport with the world's wit and romance, you can soar in comfort to the bazaars of Bagdad or burst into the azure light of Provence.

Nor is that all!

The reading room is intended for your entertainment, your diversion. Magazines you are accustomed to reading will be there.

You can expect to find the pleasurable experience of your wonted reading—the old familiar faces in literature, and the new—in the cozy comfort of the Craig room.

Welcome! Thrice welcome!

PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION SCHEDULE

Students having conflicts are to report these IMMEDIATELY to Miss Cotton at the Registrar's Office. Examinations start at 9 a. m. and 2 p. m., and are to be held in the gymnasium except as otherwise indicated on the final schedule. More specific directions will appear at the time of the final schedule and students are urged to follow the instructions given in the CAMPUS of January 19.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 25

A. M.	P. M.
French 1A	Art 1
French 1B	Chemistry 2
French 2A	Dramatics 1
French 2B	Education 10
	English 10
	French 8
	Mathematics 3
	Music 1
	Political Science 2
	Religion 1

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 26

History 1	Astronomy 1A
Philosophy 1	Chemistry 3
Political Science 7	Economics 5
Surveying	English 5
	French 9
	Geology 6
	Music 4

THURSDAY, JANUARY 27

Biology 6	French 3
English 1	French 5
English 2	Geology 4
Spanish 6	History 5A
	History 6
	Latin 4
	Mathematics 5
	Music 6
	Physics 1
	Speech 6

FRIDAY, JANUARY 28

Art 2	Economics 1
Dramatics 4	Education 5
French 4A	Physical Education 1
German 5	(Hygiene)
Music 8	Speech 2
Natural Science	

SATURDAY JANUARY 29

Chemistry 1	Economics 6
Economics 3	English 17
English 7	Social Science Survey
English 15	
French 6	
Greek 1	
History 2	
Mathematics 6A	
Music 7	
Religion 3	
Spanish 4	

MONDAY, JANUARY 21

German 1	Chemistry 6
German 2	History 7
German 4	Psychology 1
Spanish 1	Secretarial Studies 4
Spanish 2	Speech 1

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 1

Biology 10	Biology 2
English 6	Economics 10
Mathematics 1	Latin 2
Speech 4	Music 2
	Physics 3
	Religion 5

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 2

Biology 1	English 3
Geology 1	Secretarial Studies 1
Greek 5	
History 3	
Mathematics 2	
Religion 7	

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 3

Art 3	Biology 3
Education 101	Chemistry 7
History 4	Greek 3
Secretarial Studies 8	Physics 2
	Psychology 8

OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

CAMPUS STAFF holds its most important meeting of the year at third floor of Bentley Hall. No excuses accepted for absence. The time: twelve o'clock noon tomorrow.

BOOKSTORE BILLS are due and payable January 15. If you wish receipts please bring your duplicate invoices. No more credit will be granted after January 15. Failure to pay accounts in full will exclude the student from final examinations.

CHAPEL PROGRAMS

FRIDAY—Allegheny Christian Council—Four student views on "Man's Relation to God and the Universe."

MONDAY—Ernst Wolff.

WEDNESDAY—Dr. Jesse Holmes, of Swarthmore College.

Letters to the Editor

"The Campus"
Allegheny College
Meadville, Pennsylvania

Dear Sir:

Have seen the *Campus* most of the time since the publication was started, and I have been reading what you have said on political matters, fraternal matters, on the art of eating and conversation and other comments that you have made on important subjects.

Having read your comments with interest, as an alumnus of Allegheny, and one who is interested in its progress, I am acknowledging the very splendid work which I believe you are doing for Allegheny College.

Sincerely yours,

A. A. CULBERTSON.

VACATION CUT SYSTEM EXPLAINED IN DETAIL. MANY TO LOSE CREDIT

With much confusion still evident in the minds of students and faculty concerning the new cut system, the Registrar's office has stated that cuts do not count double when taken before or after vacations. Double cuts have been entirely eliminated.

Also, there is no restriction on lower level students in the number of cuts that may be taken before and after vacations, insofar as they are within the allotted number for the particular course during the semester.

The loss of one hour credit will penalize lower level students (freshmen and sophomores), for absences exceeding the number of credit hours in any course. In case of additional absences, the instructor is warranted in reducing the student's grade because of non-attendance.

In the case of upper level students (juniors and seniors), absences will be dealt with according to the individual instructor.

Upper level students will be allowed one day's absence in the six days preceding and following the three main vacations of the year, further cuts of a day or fraction thereof entailing a loss of one hour of credit from the student's total record.

Comparisons show that more students have lost credits so far this year due to overcutting than during previous years under the old system.

ALLEGHENY STUDENT'S BROTHER CAVORTS AS FOOTBALL PANTHER

By peering into the panther's jaws, football fans who followed the spectacular trail of the Pitt Panthers this season can readily exclaim, "Look who's here!" for the frolicking fellow is Amor Pierce, brother of Joseph Pierce, '40.

For two years he has been the symbol of the University of Pittsburgh football fighters. Each game finds him cutting capers, clambering over the goal posts, and acting as mascot before the howling stadiums.

The suit he wears weighs 35 pounds, and has a detachable head. Inside, during early season games, the temperature makes dog days seem mild. At last year's Duquesne game, the Panther had his uniform immodestly stripped off, including his tail.

The rusky Panther has met many celebrities, including Kate Smith and Joe E. Brown.

Amor is a first year student in medical school, entering after two years of undergraduate work, where he achieved an exceptional scholastic record.

He is regularly employed as headwaiter at the Pitt Faculty Club. Also, he finances himself by working as assistant for a Pittsburgh undertaking establishment.

Last year, when a sight-seeing plane crashed, hurling ten passengers to destruction, he was among the rescuers in connection with his undertaking work.

Recently, he has been cutting capers in another scene, acting as entertainer in a downtown Pittsburgh hotel.

Movie Review

By HELEN OCHSENHIRT and BARBARA JOHNSEN

BANK NITE—AND STILL IT'S A GOOD SHOW—

Gin and whiskey don't mix; and bank night and a good show seldom come together either. *The Great Garrick* proves the exception, however—and a quarter spent may be \$1,000 won. *The Great Garrick* is an amusing satire based on an imaginary episode in the life of England's great 18th century actor. Brian Aherne, opposite Olivia de Havilland, plays his role with humor and charm.

"You MUST win that money.—Gay Gator."

WAY UP NORTH—

At the Academy Wednesday, Thursday and Friday is *The Barrier*, melodrama of the Alaskan gold rush, with Jean Parker and Leo Carrillo.

Rex Beach's story of a naive native girl's love for a young army officer and her father's sacrifice for her happiness is a trite plot which becomes a secondary consideration in comparison with the beauty of the scenic effects.

BIG NAMES MAKE MEDIOCRITY—

Myrna Loy and Franchot Tone—those names should mean something, but, in my opinion, *Man-Proof*, in which they are starred together, doesn't mean much. It's the oft-repeated story of a girl who loses her man and finally realizes that she has really loved the other man, the true-blue friend, all the time.

There are some truly hilarious moments—when Myrna plays the disappointed and, as a result, gin—(winely)—happy bridesmaid—but, in spite of the efforts of two fine actors, the story definitely wobbles.

LYRIC-FEST AT HOLLYWOOD HOTEL—

"I've Hitched My Wagon to a Star" so "Let That Be a Lesson to You." Those are just two of the six new tunes from *Hollywood Hotel* at the Park, Sunday, Monday and Tuesday. This is the story of still another country boy who made good in Hollywood—from E. Kennedy's Drive-In Restaurant to stardom. It's one of the more colossal affairs, with Dick Powell, Rosemary and Lola Lane, Glenda Farrell, Hugh Herbert, Johnny Davis, Edgar Kennedy, Lowell Parsons, Frances Langford and Benny Goodman swinging on down.

Inter-Collegiate Compass

ECONOMIST'S DELIGHT!—

Stuart Chase in *Harper's* for December, 1937:

"The best fun which a professor of economics apparently gets out of his academic life is to demolish the theories of his confreres."

SOAP-BOXERS:—

Columbia university has announced that henceforth it will award two scholarships annually to students who are the best street-corner orators. The awards will be given for electioneering, union organization and open-air vocal performances.—The Senator.

THOSE WERE THE DAYS:—

It was only a hundred years ago that the following rules were in force at Mt. Holyoke: (1) no young lady shall be a member of St. Holyoke College who cannot make a fire, wash potatoes, repeat the multiplication table and at least two-thirds of the catechism; (2) no young lady shall devote more than one hour each day to miscellaneous reading; (3) no young lady is expected to have gentlemen acquaintances unless they are returned missionaries or agents of benevolent societies.

TRUTH HAS ITS PRICE:—

"You can't tell the truth and keep your job in American universities," says Professor Frank H. Jones, of the Southern Branch of the University of Idaho. Nine-tenths of all American professors put their jobs before their thoughts, he claims.

AIN'T IT THE TRUTH:—

A facetious philosopher at Michigan State college claims that "Life is one damned thing after another and love is two damnfool things after each other."

GEORGE AKERSON DIES IN NEW YORK

Just two hours after he had received holiday greetings from his former employer, ex-President Herbert Hoover, George E. Akerson, ex-'12, died in Rockefeller Institute Hospital. Mr. Akerson had served the President in the capacity of secretary.

The prominent Alleghenian did not complete his work due to his desire to major in economics at Harvard. While here he was a member of Phi Kappa Psi social fraternity, and prominent in literary extra-curricular activities.

He obtained his primary education in the public schools of Minneapolis. Under the guidance of his mother, he became a very accomplished pianist and organist, and partly paid his way at Allegheny by serving as organist at a local Catholic church. He was himself a Presbyterian.

After graduating from Harvard, Mr. Akerson held many prominent journalistic positions before becoming press representative for Mr. Hoover.

We're Asking You

By HERB. ROSEN

The year 1937 was one of tumultuous activity. The hectic pulse of business, strikes, threats of war, disasters, deaths, inventions, politics, personalities, laws—those were all tossed about wildly in a year full of bewildering signs for the future.

In these scenes, 1937 witnessed a great increase in the effect public opinion has on the national life.

Doing useful pioneer work in this field has been the American Institute of Public Opinion, which, on the basis of tests in selected areas and among selected social and economic groups, has printed a weekly section called "America Speaks" in 60 newspapers.

Dr. George Gallup, 36-year-old head of the Institute and a Columbia journalism professor, has issued a summary report indicating popular opinion on such widely divergent topics as birth control and the A.F.L.-C.I.O. battle, freer divorce and a third term for President Roosevelt, compulsory Wassermann tests and reforming the Supreme Court.

The Institute poll indicated these as the ten most interesting news events of 1937:

The Ohio-Mississippi floods; War in China; Supreme Court fight; Windsor Wedding; Disappearance of Amelia Earhart; Business recession; New London (Texas) school explosion; Justice Black and the Klan; General Motors sit-down; and Supreme Court decisions on the Wagner Act, minimum wages and social security.

This column has more ambitious plans for measuring the opinions of the Allegheny undergraduate. Shortly, you may expect to receive a widely-distributed questionnaire asking for opinions on a broad selection of subjects.

In a spirit similar to that of the Institute, but with no similar pretensions to thoroughgoing selectivity, there are given below some of the utterances of Allegheny newshawks in answer to this question:

What do you think was the most significant news event of 1937? Why?

JAMES SCHULTZ: "I would say that the most significant feature of 1937 has been the success with which, in a battling, desperate world, President Roosevelt has steered America clear of foreign war."

MARJORIE MILLER: "The C.I.O. seems to me to have been the outstanding newsmaker of 1937. This labor organization did nothing for labor, and has been one of the main causes of the present business recession."

PROFESSOR J. R. SCHULTZ: "To my mind, the successful settlement of the Panay incident stands out as the most significant news event of the past year. It showed that a serious crisis can be solved by calm action."

TOM CRAWFORD: "I consider the business recession the most important news slant in 1937. Caused by too much government in business, it presents a tough problem for solution in 1938, a problem involving the happiness of 130,000,000 people."

PROF. HURST R. ANDERSON: "My choice for the top-ranking news situation of 1937 would be the Chinese-Japanese conflict. It represents a fundamental violation of concepts of international justice underlying the League of Nations, which some of us who are idealistic had thought was the birth of a new honor in world war relations."

PRESIDENT WILLIAM P. TOLLEY: "The historian will probably recognize in the invasion of China by Japan an event which has involved more changes in history than any other occurrence in the past ten years."

"War in the East may mean war in Europe, and war in Europe may mean the end of civilization."

JEAN FERGUSON: "The Windsor-Simpson romance appealed to me most because of the devotion and courage King Edward displayed when he surrendered his crown for a woman he wanted to marry."

LUTHER TAYLOR: "Undoubtedly the social upheaval on the Allegheny campus."

BEN RASKIN: "1937 witnessed the very significant destruction of President Roosevelt's power over Congress, and the emergence of that body as an independent unit of government. The end of the Roosevelt steamroller was signaled by his defeat on the Supreme Court issue."

PROFESSOR JULIAN ROSS: "Most significant to me in 1937 was the overwhelming victory of La Guardia and Dewey in the New York elections, because it showed that an aroused public opinion can overcome a political machine as strong as Tammany, and can successfully oppose racketeering."

PROFESSOR JOHN E. CAVELTI: "The Japanese-Chinese struggle taught the significant fact in 1937 that our civilization is not safe merely because it is a civilization, and that no country is safe to work out its destiny (as China was doing successfully) unless it is powerful enough to protect itself. The situation indicates that world civilization has forgotten several centuries of painful experience."

DR. LOUIS J. LONG, of the Economics department: "The announcement of the results of the jobless census was to me most significant. In spite of its shortcomings, it showed the true state of the nation, demonstrating that we have not yet solved the most pressing economic problem of unemployment."

Men's Intramural Notes . . .

By ARTHUR GRATZ

Basketball "B" League.

Besides the regular interfraternity basketball league, there will be, as in volleyball, a "B" league schedule. This will enable 46 men, who otherwise might not have the opportunity to participate. The fellows playing in this league are asked to check up at the Gym as to when your team plays, and be there promptly.

Handball.

Each fraternity has a list of the pairings for the first round of the handball tournament. These first round matches must be played off by Saturday, January 22nd. Any matches not finished by this time will be credited as a double forfeit.

Each fraternity also has a list of the times that the handball courts will be free. Players should get in touch with their opponents and arrange with Mr. Brickley to reserve a court for their match.

Intramural Standings.

Intramural standings including volleyball are as follows:

Fraternity	Points
1. Sigma Alpha Epsilon	250
2. Phi Kappa Psi	185
3. Phi Delta Theta	185
4. Phi Gamma Delta	175
5. Delta Tau Delta	160
6. Alpha Chi Rho	155
7. Independents	100

Here & There

By Sue Haudenschild

The newly organized Heelers held their first business meeting last Wednesday evening. In charge was Al Colley, who appointed the following committee heads: Program, Bill McEwen and Ann Albright; publicity, Sue Haudenschild; equipment, Fred Lichtenfels; food, Jane Anderson; transportation, Walt Maloney; cleanup, Bob Vought and Alice David. Plans for the social meeting Friday were talked over.

Members desiring to go to the cabin for dinner Friday evening are asked to sign up on the respective bulletin boards. Be at the gym at 3:30.

BALDWIN SMASHES TWO RECORDS AS ALLEGHENY WINS IN OPENING SWIM

Starting off the season the 'Gators won its initial victory over Grove City by a score of 32-24.

Three records were decisively smashed in this meet, with Baldwin furnishing the speed in two of the three record-breaking races.

The Chicago boy set a new record in the 40-yard free style, with a time of 19 seconds, and in the 100-yard free style with a time of 55.3 seconds.

The third record was made in the 240-yard free style relay with Johnson, Cutler, T. Clark, and Baldwin turning on startling flashes of speed. The time in this race was 2 minutes 16.3 seconds.

The events as run off produced the following results:

180-yard medley—won by Allegheny (Johannesmeyer, Manness, Johnston). Time 1:58.7.

220-yard free style—won by Clark, Allegheny; Winner, Grove City, second; Emery, Grove City, third. Time 2:47.4.

40-yard free style—won by Baldwin, Allegheny; Jones, Allegheny, second; Graham, Grove City, third. Time 19 seconds (new record).

100-yard free style—won by Baldwin, Allegheny; Jones, Allegheny, second; Lindquist, Grove City, third. Time :55.3 (new record).

120-yard backstroke—won by Lombard, Grove City; Johannesmeyer, Allegheny, second; Filer, Grove City, third. Time 1:43.8.

120-yard breaststroke—won by Snyder, Grove City; Archer, Grove City, second; Wellons, Allegheny, third. Time 1:44.6.

240-yard free style relay—won by Allegheny (Johnston, Cutler, Clark, Baldwin). Time 2:16.3 (new record).

WOMEN SWIM AT PITT

Allegheny women will be represented in a swimming meet of the district at the Trees Gymnasium, University of Pittsburgh, Saturday. Making the trip will be Katherine Gelbach, Betty Rehtmeyer, Helen Litten, Dorothy Daniels, and Alice Hand, accompanied by Miss Nancy Pepper.

Badminton equipment is in the gym ready for your use at any time. Girls are encouraged to bring their dates to the gym in the evenings to play, in view of a mixed badminton tournament sometime in the near future.

Delts Battle To Win Over Sigs In Volleyball Finals

Volleyball.

The newly inaugurated "B" league volleyball schedule was brought to a close last Saturday when team 5, representing Theta Upsilon Sorority, defeated team 7, representing Beebe House, by the scores of 15-5 and 15-2. This victory gave team 5 the championship of that league, while team 7 garnered the runner-up berth. The following men represented team 5: A. Colley, Harper, Kline, W. Johnston, McCulley, C. Pierce, Potter, Ridenour, Singleton, Zwilling.

Tau Delts Win.

Delta Tau Delta regained the team championship in volleyball which they relinquished last year to the Sigs, when, in the last game of the year, they defeated the Sigs in two out of three games. Neither team had been defeated as they entered this game, and both played good volleyball. The superior spiking of the Delts proved enough to carry them through.

Final Standings.

The final standings in the regular interfraternity volleyball league are as follows:

Team	Won	Lost	Pct
1. Delta Tau Delta	6	0	1000
2. S. A. E.	5	1	.833
3. Phi Delta Theta	3	3	.500
4. Phi Gamma Delta	3	3	.500

Because Phi Delts and Phi Gams were tied, they played off for third place with the Phi Delts winning.

Interfraternity Basketball.

The race for the basketball cham-

pionship now held by Delta Tau Delta started Thursday when the Phi Psis and Phi Gams engaged in a hectic overtime struggle in which the Phi Psis pulled ahead to a 24 to 18 victory. Following this game the Chi Rhos and the Independents put on a thriller which the Chi Rhos won—16 to 15.

Friday night Tau Delts played the Sigs in a game that showed the Delts are going to be hard to stop on their way to a successful defense of their crown. They beat the Sigs 29 to 23. J. Lavelly and Henry sparked for the winners while Graft stood out for the losers.

Another overtime contest was played Friday between the Phi Psis and the Phi Delts with the Phi Psis coming from behind to tie the game up, but failing to keep pace with the Phi Delts in the overtime. The score was 19 to 17, with Bill Cappe leading the Phi Delts and Elmer Swanson putting up a rugged game for the Phi Psis.

Basketball Schedule.

Basketball games scheduled this week:

WEDNESDAY:

7:30 p.m.—Sigs vs. Phi Delts.

8:30 p.m.—Phi Psi vs. Chi Rho.

THURSDAY:

7:30 p.m.—Phi Gam vs. Independent

8:30 p.m.—Tau Delts vs. Phi Delts.

FRIDAY:

7:30 p.m.—Chi Rho vs. Sigs.

8:30 p.m.—No. 1 vs. No. 2.

SATURDAY:

1:30 p.m.—Phi Psi vs. Independent.

Remember Coach B. Brickley And His Three Touchdowns

By MARY BROCK

Soon after his arrival at Allegheny, Coach Bruce T. Brickley was in the Reis Library browsing through some books on swimming. He told the librarian in the reserve section that he would like to take them out. "I'm sorry," she replied, "but only professors are allowed to take these from the library."

BLOCK "A" CLUB will hold an important meeting 7:00 Wednesday evening in the gym. Purpose of the meeting is to discuss plans for the Block "A" radio party Saturday evening.

Again at the freshman banquet in Cochran Hall, the freshmen seated at one table were asking where the others came from. "Where is your home town?" someone asked Coach Brickley. He replied that he was from Oberlin. "Well, why aren't you going to school there?"

Once Played Against Allegheny.

Actually Mr. Brickley was graduated from Oberlin College in 1934, where he was a four-year football man. In a game against Allegheny in 1934, he made three touchdowns, and not one of them counted. A misunderstanding occurred, and the play had been started when it was still time out.

He majored in physical education, and was a graduate assistant in the department. Coaching football, basketball, and track, he says, "I served as a general all-around stooge."

"The greatest problem I have to contend with," adds the coach, "is the general idea that a physical education teacher is nothing more than a big bruiser who plays football and basketball and decides to cash in on his ability."

Coaches Ohio Squad.

For a time he was coach at Chesterland, Ohio, where his football team ranked first among the county teams. Here again, he was mistaken as one of the team members several times.

For the last few summers, Coach Brickley has been in charge of the intermediate division of Camp Pemigewasset, a boys' camp in New Hampshire.

His official duties at Allegheny include directing intramural sports, supervising all swimming work, teaching physical education, and doing official scouting for the football team. He is one of the two Red Cross life saving examiners in this vicinity.

Mistaken for Student.

This fall at the first freshman football practice, he came out on the field wearing a sweat shirt and football pants. One freshman remarked, "Does he expect to play on the team without shoulder pads?"

Having numerous interests besides sports, chief among them is "plain jack-knife woodcarving." Among his carved treasures are a chain made from one piece of wood and a ball carved inside a wooden cage.

His youthful life was rather nomadic. He lived in Georgia, Reading, Pennsylvania, Seattle, and Oberlin. "Oberlin students are much like those here," Coach Brickley comments.

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ALLEGHENY DOWNED IN OPENING COURT GAME BY OBERLIN BASKETEERS

"Gators" invaded Ohio territory, during vacation, weakened by the absence of Ray Shafer, veteran of three years' service.

With the game hardly started Mike Vereeke, nominated to fill Shafer's position, was retired from the game after having taken his quota of personal fouls, Bill Cook followed him soon afterward.

With Shafer, Vereeke, and Cook out of the line-up, the local aggregation staged a surprising comeback in the early part of the second half to take the lead 24-23. With five minutes remaining, the Oberlin cagers cracked the 'Gator defense wide open and scored a flood of points which spelled Allegheny's downfall.

The early part of the game saw considerable action but little scoring. Allegheny took an early 4-3 lead only to lose it by a spurt of scoring by Oberlin's Yeomen, ending the half with an eight-point lead, the score being 16-8.

The second half showed a reversal of the situation with Al White, forward, and Art Gratz, center, turning in telling points to put Allegheny in the lead for the last time but five minutes of play remaining.

Here the Allegheny defense cracked and Mestrezat began the scoring for Oberlin with three field goals.

Armitage and Reed rang up the final tallies, putting Oberlin in the victory column as the game closed.

The Allegheny squad left for Cleveland immediately after the game, where they were to meet Fenn College the next night.

Line-up:

OBERLIN	ALLEGHENY
R.F. Mestrezat	White
L.F. Bell	Vereeke
C. Reed	McFarland
R.G. Mytinger	Cook
L.G. Walton	Robinson
R.G. Kretschmer	Oches
L.G. Holden	Gratz
L.G. Armitage	Jones
Referee—Rupp.	
Umpire—Sekerak.	

'GATORS START WELL; INDIANA, W. AND J. ON HARD TANK SCHEDULE

After defeating Grove City in the initial swimming meet of the year, Allegheny's swimming team swung into its '37-'38 swimming schedule in fine style.

Trying to get a taste of new blood Allegheny has scheduled new teams this year. Two of these teams grace position on the schedule for the coming week.

Allegheny will first encounter the Indiana State Teachers at Indiana. Little of the strength of this squad is known in this territory and the local waterdogs will be invading unknown territory at Indiana today.

Saturday will see the local tank squad encountering opposition furnished by a team from Washington and Jefferson. After their defeat at the hands of the local football aggregation, the W. and J. representatives will undoubtedly be out for blood. Plenty of stiff competition can be expected.

With a bad opening of the 1937-'38 basketball season behind them, the 'Gators performed with a degree of flash to keep the Fenn representatives from scoring more than two goals, leaving no indecision in the minds of the spectators as to the superiority of a 31-13 victory on the Fenn hardwood.

The size of the local aggregation, competing against a taller and more rugged Cleveland team, proved no detriment.

Allegheny courtsters attacked with such fury and speed that the Fenn squad was never able to retain possession of the ball for more than a moment or two.

Allegheny offense was accompanied by a display of passing causing her opponents to be drawn far out of position.

Expert ball handling enabled the 'Gators to work the ball in close to the basket, eliminating the chance accompanying an attack based on long distance marksmanship.

Checked at every turn, Fenn was able to score only twice from scrimmage. Substitute guard, Reinker, scored the first goal on a reckless toss from the sidecourt just before the gun for the half sounded; the second field goal was turned in by Foti during the second period.

After being forcibly retired from active athletic service due to injuries received in football, Mike Vereeke returned to the hardwood to aid Alan ("Whizzer") White in scoring the majority of the "Hilltoppers' tallies, Vereeke accounting for eight and White for eleven points.

Eddie Robinson and Bill Cook played an outstanding defensive game in the back court breaking up Fenn's attack at every point.

Art Gratz worked in at the wall at the center position to furnish a powerful link in the 'Gators smooth and unflinching attack.

Line-up:

ALLEGHENY	fg	fp	ft	tp
White, rf	4	3	5	11
Vereeke, lf	3	2	3	8
Gratz, c	1	1	2	3
Cook, rg	0	0	4	0
Robinson, lg	1	3	3	5
Ochs, lf	0	0	0	0
Cares, c	0	0	0	0
McFarland, c	2	1	1	5
Jones, rg	0	0	0	0
Jacobus, lg-rf	0	0	0	0

Totals 11 10 18 32

FENN

Bunce, rf	0	0	0	0
Bechey, lf	0	1	3	1
Hrdlicka, c	0	3	4	3
Okonski, rg	0	0	0	0
Foti, lg	1	1	2	3
Davis, rf	0	0	1	0
Wirkowski, lf	0	1	1	1
McCarthy, c	0	1	1	1
Pugh, rg	0	1	3	1
Reinker, lg	1	1	1	3
Bessai, lg	0	0	1	0
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Sorority Formals See Last Fling Before Final Exams

By ELEANOR KISTLER

With the faint aroma of evergreen and mistletoe lingering in the memories of Allegheny socialites, last week witnessed their final flings before their head-long rush into exam routine.

Alpha Gamma Delta and Theta Upsilon.

Alpha Gamma Delta and Theta Upsilon "frolicked" together in the abode of Phi Delta Theta, at their Saturday evening fall formal. Dancing was to the musical strains of Benny Jones and His Orchestra.

Dorothy Brennan, '39, of Theta Upsilon, and Jean Bracken, '39, of Alpha Gamma Delta, were the social chairmen, and planned the dance. Dr. and Mrs. J. L. Ross, Mr. Coddington, Dr. and Mrs. J. R. Schultz, and Mr. and Mrs. F. F. Seely were the chaperones.

Phi Psi Formal Event.

Phi Kappa Psi also held its mid-winter formal on Saturday evening. Numerous actives, pledges, and guests waltzed beneath soft-colored lights to the floating melodies of the Towne Club.

Among the highlights of the evening should be mentioned "Josephine", a la William Williams, '39, and Ben Miller's vocalization of "Marie". Trim, swanky, purse-compact combinations were the favors which called forth a multiplicity of praise, as did the delicious punch and cookies.

William Williams, '39, Douglas Blair, '38, John Wheatley, '38, and Charles Liggett, '40, were in charge of arrangements. Dr. and Mrs. L. J. Long acted as chaperones.

Phi Gamma Delta at Lake.

Not least of Saturday evening's fall dances was that of Phi Gamma Delta, held at the Beach Club out Conneaut way. Undaunted by the slow arrival of the Dixie Rhythm Boys, the Phi Gams danced the evening away with swing and rhythm.

The committee for the evening was Dick and John Jones, '39. The chaperones were Mr. and Mrs. Hurst Anderson, Mr. M. K. Howes, and Miss Mildred Ludwig.

Social Trivia.

Delta Tau Delta played hosts to Sigma Alpha Epsilon Saturday by holding another of their famous "fun plus fun" radio parties in the Delta Shelter.

Alpha Gamma Delta announces the initiation of Francille Martin, '40; Jeanne Lancaster, '40; Nell Snee, '40; and Betty Buttermore, '40, on December 13.

Following initiation the seniors entertained both actives and pledges at a Christmas party.

Alumni Marriage.

Announcement was made last week of the marriage of Miss Emma Elizabeth Robertson to Mr. George Paul Grant on January 2, in Dallas, Texas.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Grant are graduates of Allegheny. Belonging to Kappa Kappa Gamma, Mrs. Grant was graduated last year.

Her husband was a member of Phi Delta Theta here, and finished school in 1934. He has taken three years of graduate work at Syracuse University, Northwestern University, and the State University of Iowa. He is a member of Phi Beta Kappa, and of Omicron Delta Kappa. After February 1, Mr. and Mrs. Grant will be at home in Pittsburgh.

Engagement Announced.

The engagement of Miss Marianna Rall and Mr. William Becker was announced over the Christmas holidays. They were members of last year's graduating class. Miss Rall was a member of Alpha Gamma Delta and Mr. Becker belonged to Phi Kappa Psi.

Curtis Rudolf, of the Speech Department last year, is teaching at Duquesne University. This week, he is substituting in the leading role of the mystery melodrama, *The Spider*, produced by the Pittsburgh Playhouse.

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As the concluding lecture, the L.I.D.' executive director, Dr. Harry W. Laidler will analyze a constructive program for the rebuilding of America.

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POET LECTURER TALKS ON NATURE

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quesne, was also a student and admirer of Professor Sarett.

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Orin Hawkins, 1934-35 editor of *The Campus*, who received his master's degree in education here last year, has been appointed French instructor at the Landwehr private school, Babylon, Long Island, N. Y. He will also coach basketball and track.

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Dr. Arman Kalfayan, Assistant Professor of Romance Languages, will be absent on sabbatic leave after the close of this semester. Accompanied by his wife and two daughters, Professor Kalfayan will journey to Paris, where he will establish a residence while studying at the Sorbonne University.

Dr. Kalfayan received his degree of B.S. from Roberts College, Turkey; M.A. and Ph.D. degrees from Iowa State. He returned to Roberts as an instructor in languages just prior to the war. During the war he served as a captain in the Turkish army.

Before coming to Allegheny in 1927, Dr. Kalfayan served as an instructor in French at Berea College, Kentucky.

It is expected that the Kalfayans will return to this country in time for the opening of the fall term next year.

Miss Lillias Peebles, ex-'37, is teaching and is active with the Citizens Players of Wilmerding. Occupied by her membership in the Singers, she did not participate in Allegheny dramatics. Recently she has had an important role in Noel Coward's *Hay Fever*.

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Raymond Shafer, Phi Kappa Psi, '38, was among unsuccessful candidates seeking nomination as one of the two Pennsylvania representatives for Rhodes scholarships in selections by the state committee at Philadelphia.

Pennsylvania candidates selected from 10 applicants were Kermit Gordon of Philadelphia, a Swarthmore senior, and John A. Lester, Jr., of Doylestown, a recent graduate of Haverford College.

Four students selected from a group of twelve from the Middle Atlantic states will receive scholarships amounting to \$2000 a year, entitling them to study at Oxford University.

Allegheny officials considered the fact that Mr. Shafer had been invited as a great honor both to the college and the student.

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