Expansions and Improvements Noted by Vice-President

Mr. Henry R. Pemberton, Financial Vice-President, was in a beaming mood when we stepped into his offices this week to get our annual first-hand review of University finances. "Why not?" he said. "In the year ending June 30, 1957, we gave the Faculty a substantial lift, wiped out our accumulated deficit, and made excellent progress with our program of physical expansion. The Faculty raise, incidentally, totalled more than a million dollars."

Mr. Pemberton leaned back in his chair and pulled on his pipe. "You're probably wondering how the deficit was written off." We were really still fondling those million dollars but we encouraged him to proceed. "Well, the operations of the University for the year resulted in a surplus of nearly two hundred thousand dollars. We added to it about two hundred and thirty thousand dollars from unrestricted income, thereby completely writing off the deficit. This is the first time we've not shown an operating deficit on our balance sheet since June 30, 1954, and at that time our accumulated deficit was better than six hundred thousand dollars."

We were thumbing through Mr. Pemberton's Report to the President, and were struck by the all-time high assets figure of $137,557,435, better than ten million dollars higher than at the close of the previous year. We were also impressed by last year's total income figure of $38,431,385, likewise the largest in University history, showing an increase of $6,721,140 over the former year.

"A good part of this latter increase," said Mr. Pemberton, "is explained by the fact that neither the State Legislature nor Governor Leader confirmed the biennium appropriation from the Commonwealth until the first year of the biennium had practically ended. Therefore, it was necessary to expend the biennium appropriation in one year."

To our question about the state of our building program, Mr. Pemberton observed that it was helpful to view it in three categories: (A) buildings now under construction, including the Law School Dormitory, the Donner Radio logical Center, the Rehabilitation Center, The Moore (Continued On Page Four)
Operation Facelift On Schedule

John H. Keyes, Director of the Buildings and Grounds Department, and his staff deserve a brisk salute from the University family for their accomplishments this past summer in the second year of the University’s five-year “Facelift” program.

Last year every square inch of exterior surface on the University’s buildings was painted. This year, all or most of the interiors were painted in Bennett Hall, College Hall, Dietrich Hall, Houston Hall, Logan Hall, the Zoology and Botany Buildings, nine of the Men’s Dormitories, The Moore School of Electrical Engineering, Irving Auditorium, the Library, the Finance, Development, Fine Arts, and Betatron Buildings, and many others.

There’s a new look to the color schemes, too; pearl gray accented by vermilion in zoology (even the frogs are bug-eyed over that one), blue and blue-gray in College Hall, green in Bennett Hall and the Towne Building, and (hold your dinks!) “Wedgewood” and “Sea Foam” in the Men’s Dorms.

Since May 15th twenty-two antiquated buildings have been demolished within the campus, and at least six more are to go during the current semester.

Not so spectacularly visible but equally important are the renovations just made to the University’s utility systems. For example, Boiler #2 in the Steam Plant was completely re-tubed. Massive new transformers were installed in the main electric sub-station, increasing capacity by fifty percent. A whole new transformer vault was built in the sub-basement of College Hall to supply the Library with much needed power and lighting. New corridor lighting, now brightening College Hall, is also scheduled for Bennett Hall, the Library, and the Towne Building.

Not actually a part of “Facelift” but coordinated with it was the specially authorized program for air-conditioning classrooms to attract Summer School students. Since June, 1956, thirty-two classrooms in the Physical Sciences Building, the Towne Building, and Dietrich Hall have been air-conditioned.

“Operation Facelift” was organized in the early spring of 1956 in the office of John L. Moore, the Business Vice-President.

Medical Wing To Be Built

Construction of the new wing of the Medical School, now in the planning stage, will be completed “within three years,” Provost Jonathan E. Rhoads said, following the recent announcement that the University had received a grant of $1,200,000 from the U. S. Public Health Service. The University had previously raised a like sum to fulfill government requirements for the grant.

The wing will be the first major addition to the Medical School in more than a quarter of a century. It will provide more than 80,000 square feet of space for research, including surgical research laboratories and facilities for such sciences as physiology, biophysics, and psychology.

The wing will be built on part of the ground presently occupied by the botanical gardens along Hamilton Walk.

Schoolmen’s Week: October 9-11

The forty-fifth annual meeting of Schoolmen’s Week will be held on the University campus from Wednesday, October 9th, through Friday, October 11th.

“Its theme,” says Dr. Frederick C. Gruber, Associate Professor of Education and Chairman of General Committee for Schoolmen’s Week, “is Partners in Education. This will be keynoted at the open general meeting on Thursday morning, October 10th, in Irving Auditorium, by two outstanding speakers, Dr. Clarence Faust, President of the Fund for the Advancement of Education, and Dr. Mary M. Condon, Advisor, State Council of Education, Department of Public Instruction, Harrisburg. Dr. Harnwell will, of course, extend the University’s official greetings at this session and the Glee Club will perform under the baton of Maestro Bruce Montgomery.”

More than a hundred and twenty programs are scheduled for the Conference. Among the topics are such titles as the following: “Changing Attitudes about Children,” “The New Look at Discipline,” “Mathematics for the Gifted,” “Teacher Education,” “Cicero Through the Ages,” “Television at Work in Education,” “How to Improve the Teaching of Science,” and “Music and the Dance.” A score of University of Pennsylvania Faculty members will participate as speakers and a number of others will preside as chairmen of various meetings.

“Actually,” says Dr. Gruber, “we’re going to have well over two hundred speakers representing all sections of the United States and all levels of education, from pre-school to the university.”

Highlights of Schoolmen’s Week include an address by Dr. Lawrence G. Derthick, U. S. Commissioner of Education; the presentation of the second annual Alumni Award for Distinguished Service and the first John Harrison Minnick Scholarship (the latter to be presented by former Dean Minnick himself); a discussion of “American Scholars Abroad” presided over by Vice-Provost Roy F. Nichols; and a symposium on “Philosophy of Education,” arranged through the Middle Atlantic States Chapter of the Philosophy of Education Society and chaired by Dr. Louise Antz of New York University.

Schoolmen’s Week will extend itself beyond the campus for the first time in its history by conducting a special session for the Lancaster County Public Schools in Lancaster on Friday, October 11th. Among the speakers (there are forty programs) will be fifteen members of the University’s staff headed by Vice-Provost Sculley Bradley.

The complete programs for both Schoolmen’s Week on the campus and Schoolmen’s Day in Lancaster are available in the Office of the School of Education.

Collection Business Picking Up

Nearly a thousand accounts receivable were fully recovered this past year, according to the Office of the Treasurer, which has been making a concerted effort at collection. Hundreds of others are on an installment paying basis. About $75,000 has been recovered to date. The accounts (some of which run back to the 1920’s) cover students’ loans and scholarships, dormitory rents, bills for R. O. T. C. uniforms, Houston Hall, telephone service, etc.
The Witness Box

Question:

"Why are members of the faculty not paid for reading manuscripts for the University of Pennsylvania Press?"—Dr. Wallace E. Davies, Assistant Professor of History.

Answer:

"Of course we do pay modest sums to members of the faculties of other institutions for reading manuscripts and advising the Editorial Committee. It is possible that members of our own faculty should also be paid, as Dr. Davies and a number of others have recently suggested. No doubt a cogent case could be made for such a practice, especially in the light of the prevailing salary level of the average college professor.

"But there is also another side to the question. If publication be regarded as the culmination of research, then the giving of a professional opinion on the worth of a manuscript in his field of specialization might be regarded as a proper extension of the scholarly obligation of a member of the faculty. More important, because it exists to publish books which do not have a ready outlet through regular commercial channels, a university press, by definition, is a deficit operation. Because at Pennsylvania the deficit which the Press may incur in any one year is limited to a fixed amount, funds paid to readers are funds no longer available to underwrite the publication of faculty research. Since the reorganization of the Press two years ago, no manuscript has had to be rejected for financial reasons. A number of things have contributed to this fortunate—and for Pennsylvania somewhat unusual—situation; not least among them is the fact that the Director has accepted no salary and many members of the faculty have been willing to contribute their services."—Dr. George Tatum, Chairman of the Editorial Committee and Associate Professor of the History of Art.

Nuclear Laboratory Nears Completion

The United States Atomic Energy Commission recently granted the University the sum of $41,750 for the purchase of equipment to be used for graduate instruction in nuclear energy technology. The equipment will consist of a complete nuclear reactor simulator assembly (used to demonstrate the "how and why" of safe operation of future nuclear power plants) and such instruments as Geiger and scintillation counters. According to Dr. Carl C. Chambers, Vice-President for Engineering, the equipment will be housed in a new nuclear measurements laboratory now under construction in the Towne Building and expected to be in operation for the opening of the spring term in 1958. The Director of the laboratory will be Dr. R. Wayne Houston, Associate Professor of Chemical Engineering.

Uses of the Humanities

Ever been asked of what use are the humanities? Rubbed your chin in a desperate hope that some genie of elucidation might be summoned forth?

Here is Ralph Barton Perry on the subject in The Humanity of Men, recently published by George Braziller:

"A just estimate of the place of the humanities in modern life depends on holding fast to their essential meaning. Any agency or relationship or situation or activity which has a humanizing, that is, a liberalizing effect; which broadens learning, stimulates imagination, kindles sympathy, inspires a sense of human dignity, and imprints that bearing and form of intercourse proper to a man, may be termed 'a humanity.'

"Travel, friendship, marriage, experience in business are or may be, in this sense, the humanities. They may be and often are inhumane. The difference depends on the level of the relationship, or upon what the participants contribute in the way of attitude, background, and experience. Travel may confirm prejudice; friendship and marriage may be founded on utility; vocation may be narrowed to livelihood and citizenship to a perfunctory discharge of civil duties; all the functions of man may degenerate into routine. Those who have had the germ of humanism firmly implanted (through education in their early years) may then find in travel, friendship, marriage, cohabitation, and citizenship, as well as in their leisure pastimes, occasions favorable to its growth."

Letters to the Editor

Dear Sir:

I suppose there will not be another issue of The Almanac until fall, but I believe a recent action by the Trustees will be of considerable interest to the Faculty and will be worthy of notice in your next issue.

At the June 7th, 1957 meeting, the Board of Trustees took the following actions: "Resolved, that tuition in the graduate and professional schools of the University be remitted to students eligible for tuition benefits under Tuition Exchange." "Resolved, that full tuition in the graduate and professional schools be remitted to dependent children of fully affiliated and fully salaried members of the administrative and instructional staffs of the University of Pennsylvania."

This will operate as a double benefit to our Faculty. In opening up our graduate and professional schools to incoming Tuition Exchange students, we should make our credit balance under the plan more favorable so that we can continue to send our own Faculty children elsewhere. The actions, in addition, increase the grant to our own Faculty children from half tuition to full tuition in our graduate and professional schools.

Sincerely,

DOUGLAS ROOT DICKSON
Director, Office of Scholarships and Student Aid
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School addition, and the addition to the Fels Institute of Local and State Government; (B) construction expected to begin within twelve months, on such projects as the Faculty Club, the Student Recreation Center, the Phipps Institute Health Center, the Medical Research Laboratory wing, the addition to the Chemistry building, and the Dental Laboratory (including renovations in the Dental School); and (C) plans well-advanced, for such operations as the Women's Dormitories, the Nurses' Residence, the Ravdin Institute, additions to the Law building, and squash courts.

What about the funds for all of these projects, we asked.

"All of the funds for the items in group A are in hand," said Mr. Pemberton, "something more than three million dollars. With respect to Group B: almost four millions are now available, with the necessary balance of $1,310,000 expected to be in the house by the time we let contracts. Group C requires an estimated total of a little more than twelve million dollars, with $6,400,000 now available. The remainder is building up encouragingly from our active campaign drives."

We touched on the matter of a new library.

"The library is one of the elements in the University's longer range program, along with additional dormitories for both men and women students, and a number of special academic buildings. Rough estimates—and this is all we can determine at this point—indicate that a minimum of thirty million dollars will be needed for these additional projects."

The figures were now getting mildly astronomical, we thought—and said.

"Not at all," said Mr. Pemberton equably. "The sum may appear large, but it is not disproportionate to the University's capabilities. Remember, during the past decade we've completed and successfully financed building programs totalling more than twenty-one million dollars and at the same time we can show nearly thirteen and a half millions now available for projects under construction or in the final planning stage. In fact," he added, "if it is determined that over the next ten to fifteen years we need fifty million dollars, we'll find the ways to do it on a sound financial basis."

And what were some of these ways?

"Let me paraphrase from my own Report. First, we are receiving a steadily increasing number of gifts and bequests from Alumni and friends of the University. Then, under certain conditions, various departments of the Federal Government make available substantial amounts of money on a matching basis. Dormitories, which are operated on a self-supporting, self-liquidating basis, qualify for mortgage money provided by the Federal Housing and Home Finance Agency on very favorable terms. There is a good likelihood, furthermore, that the General State Authority of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania may allocate funds and construct buildings for University use. And finally, there are the normal sources of insurance companies and banks from which mortgage money and loans are available."

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University Offers TV Programs

The University is currently "sponsoring" two educational television programs in cooperation with commercial channels WFIL-TV (6) and WRCV-TV (3).

Concept survived its summer replacement status, and is now conducted regularly every Sunday at 12:30 p.m. on channel 3, with Marciarose Shestack in the role of producer-moderator. The theme of the program is twofold, to explore the world of ideas and to demonstrate the variety of ways in which the University serves the community. Past programs have dealt with a wide range of topics, among them the Civil War, veterinary medicine, marriage counselling, city planning, archaeology, Walt Whitman, cancer, executive training, ancient musical instruments, anthropology, and psychological testing.

Mrs. Shestack, former College Press Conference tv panelist and radio-television coordinator for Adlai Stevenson during the last presidential campaign, is studying for her doctorate in political science at the University.

The second program, The World of Books, is a new segment of WFIL-TV's well established "University of the Air" series, and is conducted regularly over channel 6 at 9:00 a.m. every Tuesday morning. The program aims to stimulate public interest in the reading of good books, both new and old. From time to time it will feature authors, as many as possible from the staff of the University itself. Dr. Charles Lee, Associate Professor of English, is producing and moderating the program.
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second-storey porches... Even in his eighties he was
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horses and the H-Bomb, his memory recalling every-
thing within those parentheses, his musings a special mix-
ture of nostalgia, humor, regret, hilarity, understanding,
discovery, tartness, and verbal flight... "Life is sweet,
Little Brother," he used from Borrow on the title page
of New Hampshire Neighbors. Corney helped to make it

New High In Research Grants
Expenditures on sponsored projects for research and training conducted by the University totalled nearly seven million dollars in 1956-57, highest in the history of the University according to the Office of Project Research and Grants. Nearly half were made in the Medical Sciences. The Institute for Cooperative Research accounted for thirteen percent of the total, the College for twelve, the Wharton School for eight, and the Engineering Schools for six.

Of the funds expended on projects in the Medical Sciences, twenty-nine percent went to research in the field of the heart and cardiovascular system, twenty-eight percent went to cancer study, twelve percent to mental health, ten percent to neurological diseases, and twenty-
one percent to rehabilitation, tuberculosis, and other fields.

As has been true in the past, the major support for our sponsored research and training programs (numbering about five hundred projects) comes from the Federal Government. The Department of Defense accounts for thirty-three percent of the funds given to us, the Public Health Service for twenty-four percent, and other Government agencies (Atomic Energy Commission, National Science Foundation, etc.) for nineteen percent. Foundations are the source of sixteen percent of such support, and private industry is responsible for the remaining eight.

Liberal Education Defined
Liberal education is a large, high-ceilinged word: it
includes physical training, which liberates the body; moral
training, producing good moral habits or virtues; and
intellectual training, producing the free mind.—Clifton
Fadiman in his new book of essays, Any Number Can
Play (World).

so for many thousands of grateful students, for many of
his colleagues, and for all those readers who still hear the
unique cadence of his voice and respond to the gusto of
his living in his books. To hear Corney dilate on bee-hives,
oyster cellars, Robert Frost, raspberry vinegar (he loved
his vittles, past eighty was still lunching on country sau-
sage platters and ice-cream), lark music, belled cows, old
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I Remember...
Poet, Talker, Teacher.

Clifton Fadiman somewhere observes that the eccentric
is "the truly normal man, that is, he dares to be himself." Cornelius Weygandt, late distinguished Professor Emeri-
tus of the English Department, was such a human being,
sui generis... Corney, as he was known to his colleagues,
though not to his face, was "blent" (in his own words)
of Pennsylvania Dutch and Pennsylvania Welsh. He was
also blent of antiquarianism and exuberance, of surprise
and poetry, of earth and high heaven... He could roar
like Demosthenes, crush like Dr. Johnson, laugh like Falstaff, and love like Rupert Brooke... He could talk
the eyebrows off the Devil and Daniel Webster... In full
cry he was something of a one-man oratorical orchestra:
he could trumpet and drum when the occasion demanded,
and he could mute a violin... In the memory of all who
knew him he made 320 College Hall his own, just as he
possessed Tuesdays at ten... He had (to borrow an apt
phrase of Father Divine) a contagionizing enthusiasm.
He knew him he made 320 College Hall his own, just as he
possessed Tuesdays at ten... He had (to borrow an apt
phrase of Father Divine) a contagionizing enthusiasm.
He could persuade an engineer to pocket a volume of
Yeats along with his slide rule... The enthusiasm was
no mere surface glitter but rather a deep glow, a burning
interest in life and literature, in country ways and crafts,
in poetry and people... Corney liked to take the meas-
ure of things—whether logging chains or men... He
may be thought of as a man of letters; his many books
attest to the fact that he was one of the best essayists of
his time, fresh in his themes, arresting in his manner...
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force in the development of appreciations... He may
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modern letters, in his tributes to the Irish Renaissance,
in the special organization of his own books... But
Corney, all these things and others, was primarily a poet.
Whatever he touched took on the individual trace of his
personality, anticipated when his subject was barn
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Graduate and Postdoctoral Fellowships and Awards

The Committee on Graduate and Postdoctoral Fellowships and Awards, appointed by President Harnwell in 1956, has prepared a Directory for the use of those who are seeking appointments for advanced study and research. The Directory has been compiled in the office of the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, under the supervision of Dean Roy F. Nichols, Chairman of the Committee. Copies will be sent to deans, directors, and departmental chairmen or they may be consulted in 133 Bennett Hall.

Only minor space is given in it to fellowships and other awards described in bulletins of the various schools, but attention is called once more to the Committee on the Advancement of Research, which has funds for small grants to help pay the costs of postdoctoral research, primarily on individual projects.

Readers of The Almanac are urged to call these items to the attention of any persons who may be interested. The co-operation of the Faculty is also important in calling to the attention of the Committee any corrections or additions that may increase the usefulness of the Directory. Limitations of space restrict the number of items that can be included in this issue of The Almanac, but further announcements will appear from time to time.

AMERICAN COUNCIL OF LEARNED SOCIETIES.
GRANTS-IN-AID
FIELD: The Humanities.
ELIGIBILITY: Candidate must have Ph.D.
TENURE: One year.
STIPEND: Not to exceed $3,000.
APPLY TO: ACLS Grants Program, 2102 R Street, N. W., Washington 8, D. C.

At least thirty grants available for research in the fields listed above. Funds may be used for travel, clerical assistance, and similar purposes.

AMERICAN PHILOSOPHICAL SOCIETY. GRANTS FIELDS: All fields.
APPLICATIONS DUE: The Committee on Research meets five times a year, early in February, April, June, October, and December. Applications must be submitted at least one month in advance of the date on which a meeting is to be held to consider it.
APPLY TO: American Philosophical Society, 104 South Fifth Street, Philadelphia 6, Pa.

THE DANFORTH FOUNDATION. TEACHERS' GRANTS
These awards are made to college teachers between the ages of 25 and 40, with at least one year of graduate work and three years of teaching experience, to enable them to complete the work for the Ph.D. The tenure is for one year and the stipend may be as much as $4600 plus tuition and fees, at the graduate school of the appointee's choice. The candidate must be nominated by the institution. Applications are due October 15. The Foundation has a definite religious orientation. Those who are interested should consult Chaplain Harris.

FORD FOUNDATION FELLOWSHIPS
The Ford Foundation offers a number of types of awards, among which two may be mentioned: (1) International Relations Training Fellowships and (2) Foreign Aid Training Fellowships. These are available to citizens of the United States or Canada, carry generous stipends, and offer tenure for one year. The training may include graduate study or research or both, and may be undertaken in the United States or abroad. Applicants for (1) must have the Ph.D. Applications are due November 1. Apply to The Secretary, The Ford Foundation, 477 Madison Avenue, New York 22, N. Y.

JOHN SIMON GUGGENHEIM MEMORIAL FOUNDATION FELLOWSHIPS
These awards are made in a wide range of fields to citizens of the United States and all other American republics who have "high intellectual and personal qualifications" and have demonstrated unusual capacity for productive scholarship. The tenure is for one year. Stipends are adjusted to needs of the Fellow. The nominal date for application is October 15. Applications should be made to John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation, 551 Fifth Avenue, New York 17, N. Y.

INSTITUTE OF INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION. FELLOWSHIPS
The Institute administers a number of awards granted by foreign governments, foreign universities, private foundations, and educational organizations. Those interested should apply to Institute of International Education, 1 East 67th Street, New York 21, N. Y.

NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION.
FELLOWSHIPS AND GRANTS
The National Science Foundation offers five categories of awards to qualified citizens of the United States for study and research in biology, engineering, mathematics, medicine, physical sciences, and related social sciences. For 1957-1958, there were 845 predoctoral and 84 postdoctoral fellowships awarded. Those who are interested should consult the Directory of Graduate and Postdoctoral Fellowships and Awards in the office of the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, 133 Bennett Hall. Application should be made to Fellowship Office, National Research Council, 2102 Constitution Avenue, Washington 25, D. C.

SOCIAL SCIENCE RESEARCH COUNCIL.
FELLOWSHIPS AND GRANTS
The Council administers a large number of fellowships and other awards for various classes of research and research training in the social sciences. A list of those offered currently will be found in the Directory, and more detailed descriptions will be kept on file in the office of the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences. Additional types of awards are offered from time to time. Application should be made to Social Science Research Council, 230 Park Avenue, New York 17, N. Y.

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WOODROW WILSON NATIONAL FELLOWSHIP FOUNDATION. FELLOWSHIPS

The Woodrow Wilson Fellowships are provided to encourage gifted students to enter the college and university teaching profession. “Only persons of marked ability and promise will be invited to become Fellows.” Candidates are to have the Bachelor’s degree. The stipend for these fellowships is $2200, and the tenure is for one year. The date for applications is November 15. Students may not apply directly for these awards but those who are interested may see Dr. Robert E. Spiller, 116 Bennett Hall.

Senate Chairman Horlacher Defines Goals For Coming Year

In response to a request from the Editor for a statement regarding the Senate’s goals for 1957-58, Dr. John Perry Horlacher, Chairman of the University’s Senate, has written as follows:

Senate goals for 1957-58 are, of course, the business of the entire Senate. They will reflect the initiative of the individual members, the action of the Senate, and the conclusions of the officers and the Advisory Committee acting within the scope of their delegated authority. The statement which follows represents only an individual view of the desirable directions in which the Senate should move.

I hope the Senate will continue during the year to enlarge the role of the Faculty in University affairs. A University is an instrument for increasing knowledge, and transmitting it. No group is better qualified to fashion an instrument to serve these purposes than the community of scholars and scientists who comprise a University’s Faculty. If this role is not assumed, through default or otherwise, the nature and functioning of the institution will be shaped to some degree by forces unappreciative of the considerations most relative to the ends for which the University exists. This will be the case especially to the extent that decisions are significantly influenced by a bureaucracy without professional qualifications for determining the course of educational policy unless a very close rapport between the bureaucracy and the Faculty is maintained.

An enumeration of specific objectives for 1957-58 might place at the top of the list the formulation of Senate views on procedures for applying the tenure principles adopted last spring. A sound tenure policy, possible only if the procedures for its application are carefully spelled out, is of major importance in assuring a premier Faculty, the first essential of a great University.

Significant for the same reason, if somewhat less important, is a policy of sabbatical leave. The intellectual viability and sensitiveness of the University professor is in part a function of his opportunity periodically to freshen and broaden his contacts with the world at large and the particular domain of his competence. There ought to be substantial progress made this year toward establishing a policy of sabbatical leave which would assure this opportunity uniformly.

Very little has been done in exploring the important relationship between the Faculty and the Trustees. The respective parts they play in the life of the University have far-reaching interconnections, yet no means have evolved to further mutual understanding other than the traditional communication through the President. Whether the institution of the Presidency alone is adequate for developing an appreciation by the Trustees of the Faculty’s conception of the University and an appreciation by the Faculty of the Trustee’s conception of the University may be doubted. The existence of the Senate makes some fresh and imaginative advances in this basically important area possible.

At some point it will again become necessary to pursue the fundamental question of how the establishment of the Senate affects the Educational Council. Important and valuable work done in the past in seeking to resolve the functional and organic relations of these two bodies provides an essential base of departure for a further examination of the problem—a problem which cannot be indefinitely postponed.

It goes without saying that the Senate should take such preliminary steps this year as may be necessary to bring about the initial organization of the Faculty Club. With the prospect of the building imminent, organizational ground must also be broken. The formation of a temporary organization to take over the physical plant when it comes into being, and to recruit the membership, must precede the creation of a permanent organization by the club’s members.

A good deal of improvement in Faculty salaries has taken place in the last few years. They have not reached the point, however, where they do justice to the individual needs of the Faculty or the need of the University to compete successfully for its share of the best teaching and research talent available. The Senate ought to press for further improvements. Although the Senate is in no sense a labor union devoted solely to bettering the lot of its members, it has a legitimate interest in the economic status of the individual Faculty member.

I would define as the final and most embracing Senate aim for 1957-58 the achievement of a wider participation of the Faculty in Senate activities. This might well begin by the expression of views in The Almanac with respect to Senate objectives, immediate and ultimate. The basic necessity, however, is a larger attendance at Senate meetings. I earnestly hope the three sessions in 1957-58 can be made more attractive by sharpening their focus and making them less occasions of report and more occasions of debate and discussion.

In Case You Didn’t Know

The University’s annual bill for insurance is approximately one hundred thousand dollars. This figure does not include any premiums for annuities, pensions, group life, or other personnel benefits.
Among Other Things

FACULTY CLUB: The membership cards aren't exactly ready yet, but the Faculty Club is about to move from the drawing board stage to the digging stage. George Turner, Director of Physical Plant Planning, is even prepared to set the date. "The shovels," he says, "ought to start shoveling about January 1st, 1958," he added with a grin. Maybe if we let George do it, it'll be done.

NAMES: Dr. Willis J. Winn, Acting Dean of the Wharton School, has been a full-time member of the Faculty since 1946. In addition to his teaching and administrative duties, Dr. Winn has served as a consultant to many financial institutions for the past fifteen years. Ernest Whitworth, our new Registrar, comes to the University from the Educational Testing Service (Princeton, N. J.), where he was program director for scholarship qualifying tests and college scholarship services. Dr. James A. Neuhper, Registrar for the University since 1946, has been appointed assistant to the Vice-President for Student Affairs... When President Harnwell received an honorary degree at Columbia University last June, it marked the sixth time he had been named a Doctor of Laws. He has been awarded the Doctor of Science degree four times. Dr. Raymond C. Saalbach, formerly field representative in the Admissions Office, has just been named Vice-Dean of Admissions. Dr. Victor H. Frank, Instructor in Stomatology, becomes President of the Pennsylvania State Dental Society as of January 1st, 1958. The first appointee to the newly created post of Director of Musical Activities of the University is Bruce Montgomery, pianologist, composer, and managing editor of The Almanac... Dr. L. J. Ravitz, of the Psychiatry Department, was recently elected to the New York Academy of Sciences and made a Fellow of the American Psychiatric Association.

ANECDOTE ANNEX: In a small New England secondary school, the dynamic young headmaster, faced with the task of selecting a department head, ignored seniority. After the announcement of the appointment, a disgruntled member of the department came to him, demanding to know why his twenty years' experience had been overlooked. "My friend," said the headmaster, "in reality you haven't had twenty years' experience." Before the teacher could expostulate, he added, "You have had one year's experience twenty times."—From The Thirtieth Anniversary Reader's Digest Reader (Doubleday)

COMING EVENTS: Dr. W. H. Gottschalk, Chairman of the Department of Mathematics, will deliver the principal address before the Meeting of the American Mathematical Society to be held in Washington, D. C., October 26th. Dr. Norman Brown, Associate Professor of Metallurgy, has co-authored a paper on the deformation of energy stored in ingot iron. It will be presented at the 39th National Metals Congress in Chicago during the week of November 3rd. You still have time to apply for a 1958-1959 Fellowship grant (up to $7,000) from the American Council of Learned Societies. For details and application blanks, write to the ACLS Fellowship Pro-