

### **Educational Council Hears Baccalaureate Council Report**

The activities of the University's new Council of Undergraduate Baccalaureate Faculties since its inception last December were outlined by its chairman, Dr. Philip E. Jacob, to members of the Educational Council at the March 13 meeting of the latter body.

The Baccalaureate Council consists of seven Deans, seven directly elected representatives of the respective faculties, seven representatives "at large" elected by the undergraduate faculties as a body from a panel of twentyfour candidates nominated by these undergraduate faculties, and seven other members, including five persons appointed by the President from the graduate and professional Schools, as well as the President and the Provost, ex-officio.

At its organization meeting the new Council named Dr. Jacob, Chairman; Dr. S. Reid Warren, Vice Chairman, and a steering committee consisting of Dr. Warren, Chairman, Mr. Bernard Cataldo, Dr. Helen Huus, Dr. Jacob, and Dr. Otto Springer.

Seven ad hoc committees were set up to deal with specific problems facing the Baccalaureate Council. These committees, with their chairmen and their particular assignments, are:

Committee on Academic Standards and Evaluating Procedures, Francis W. Irwin; on Composition and Size of the Student Body, Anna Kuba; on General Education, Lynn M. Case; on Goals of Undergraduate Education, K. A. Fegley; on Programs for the Superior Students, A. Leo Levin; on Student Life, Morris Hamburg, and on Teaching, Glenn R. Morrow.

The function of the committees, Dr. Jacob reported, is to define issues in the field of their charge, and to bring before the Council sets of proposals or clearly delineated alternatives as to how the issues might be met. He said the dangers of top-heaviness, overlapping and duplication are recognized, and that every effort is being made to see that the Council and its committees function as efficiently as possible.

Dr. Jacob urged members of the Educational Council to submit ideas, comments and suggestions to the Baccalaureate Council with the assurance that these would receive reasonably prompt consideration by its committees.

**Taylor Committee Report** At the same meeting of the Educational Council, Mrs. Julia Carson, reporting for Dr. George W. Taylor, Chairman of the Committee on Educational Planning of the Integrated Development Plan Committees, said that five

planning of the University.

Of these, an over-all committee known as the Joint Committee is composed of faculty, trustees and administration. The others are the Committees on Physical Plant

committees have been appointed to assist in the long-range

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### **Dr. Eiseley Receives** John Burroughs Award

Dr. Loren C. Eiseley, Provost of the University, was awarded the John Burroughs Medal at ceremonies in New York City on April 3, in recognition for his latest book, The Firmament of Time.

The medal, presented annually by the John Burroughs Association, is given for a popular book in the field of the natural sciences that combines excellence of writing with accuracy and is based on originality of observation

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### **Year's Final Senate Meeting** Is Scheduled for May 12

The last meeting of the University Senate for the current academic year has been called for May 12, Friday, at 1 P.M. in Ballantyne Hall (W-1 Dietrich Hall).

Principal item on the agenda is the election of officers for the coming year, plus the election of one-third of the Senate Advisory Committee.

The meeting will also be called upon to act on proposed changes in the procedure for the nomination and election of Senate officers, and on the reports of the several special committees which have been active during the academic year.

A detailed agenda of the meeting and other pertinent matters will be mailed to all Senate members about May 1.

Members are urged to mark May 12 at 1 P.M. on their calendars, and to make every effort to attend.

#### **Backgrounder**

## **University Counseling Service**

The University Counseling Service functions under the office of the Vice President for Student Affairs. Its purpose is to provide such specialized counseling as students may require and which may not be available in other campus agencies. It is not designed to replace any previously existing services but to complement them.

This counseling gives the student an opportunity to explore areas of concern which may inhibit his or her best performance and thus prevent fulfillment of maximum potential. The emphasis is upon helping the student to become increasingly self-directive.

An analysis of the first year's contacts with students emphasizes certain factors:

Thirty percent of contacts were with freshmen and 29 percent with sophomores, stressing the need for assistance in the crucial first years of college. A number of students of good potential were helped to avoid failure and elimination from the University. Many needed extra attention with reading and study skills, and the Service works closely with the Reading Clinic. It is most important that such students be identified as early as possible.

The majority of student contacts were for the purpose of clarifying vocational and educational planning. Many of these illustrated a close relationship between vocational planning, or lack of it, and academic performance. At least one-third of those who came for vocational counseling had educational or personal problems which were brought out and dealt with in the course of the contacts.

In considering the referral of a student the question arises, "When do I refer a student to Mental Health Clinic, and when to the Counseling Service?" This is not easy to answer, since it involves the more basic question, "Where does counseling end and psychotherapy begin?" All that can be done is to suggest a general guide:

If the student is facing some problem, decision or difficulty which he is having trouble handling, but he knows reasonably well what the problem is, he probably needs counseling. This will involve the chance to talk the situation through, to analyze it, and to learn how to find an effective solution for it. This may involve educational, vocational, personal, family or social problems. Facilities are available to administer intelligence, achievement, special ability, interest and personality tests where they seem appropriate.

On the other hand, if the student's difficulty shows itself in any type of physical symptoms or reaction, or if he seems to have marked emotional problems, he should be referred to the Mental Health Clinic. Wherever there is a doubt, a call to Mr. Reinhold at the Clinic or to Mr. Free at the Counseling Service may help to clarify the situation.

The Counseling Service is located in Room 306, Eisenlohr Hall, 3812 Walnut st. Its University telephone extension is 381. The staff at present consists of Mr. John E. Free, Director and Counselor; Frank B. Williams, Counselor, and Miss Sandra Hulbert, Secretary.

A student should telephone for an appointment in advance. An attempt is made to handle emergency situations as rapidly as possible. When a faculty member feels it is important that the student be seen within a day or so, a telephone call to the Service explaining this will help. Every effort will be made to see such students promptly.



Provost Eiseley receives the John Burroughs Medal from Richard H. Pough, right, president of the John Burroughs Association, at ceremonies in the American Museum of Natural History, New York City.

### EISELEY

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and conclusion. The presentation was made by Richard H. Pough, president of the Burroughs Association, at ceremonies in the American Museum of Natural History.

Dr. Eiseley's work, which was selected last month by the Notable Books Council of the American Library Association as one of its "Notable Books of 1960" and was among the non-fiction finalists for the 1960 National Books Awards, deals with changes and developments in man's view of nature that have accompanied the advance of knowledge in the geological, anthropological and biological sciences. His previous books have been *The Immense Journey and Darwin's Century*.

In accepting the award, Dr. Eiseley told a distinguished audience of scientists that "the humane natural history tradition in British letters with such men as the 17th and 18th century naturalists, John Ray and Gilbert White, and coming down through a long line of British and American writers, including Henry David Thoreau, W. H. Hudson, John Burroughs, William Beebe and Rachel Carson, is in some degree distinct and yet parallel to the scientific tradition.

"This will never fade," he continued, "as long as men love the earth and the life which they share with other living things. Without the human observer of natural history, we will lack pity and tolerance, not from intent but from blindness. The laboratory and the machine give us only half a glance into nature.

"The great Anglo-Saxon literary tradition in the natural history field has had, and will continue to have a significant effect upon English and American letters," Dr. Eiseley added.

#### **EDUCATIONAL COUNCIL**

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Growth, the Committee on Operations, and those on Edu-

cational Planning and Staff Services.

The Taylor Committee is considering on a school-byschool basis the current state of recommendations emanating from the Educational Survey, which have been approved by the Committee on Educational Policy. At the request of the President, it is determining those recommendations on which action has already been taken, those not requiring special resources on which early action is planned, those which the Schools would like to implement if the resources were available, and those which the Schools feel should be delayed in their implementation, with the reasons for this view.

Mrs. Carson also cited a number of problems evolving from consideration of the individual Schools, which will be discussed in detail in the Committee's full report. These include the University's relations with Philadelphia cultural resources, the concept of an honors program, optimum use of teaching resources, enrollment policy in relation to available housing, adult education, and the academic im-

plications of contract research programs.

# Exhibit of Vietnamese Art Opens at University Museum

An exhibition of rare archaeological material and of recent art work, both from Viet Nam, opens April 21 at the University Museum. It will remain on display until

May 28.

Included are stone sculptures of the Cham civilization and lately discovered objects of gold, silver and precious stone never before shown in the United States. The exhibition is sponsored by H. E. Tran Van Chuong, Ambassador of Viet Nam, and under the patronage of local leaders in international cultural activity.

The objects being shown, all originating in Viet Nam, have been gathered mainly from government collections in Saigon and Hué. They are augmented by little-known specimens from collections in the United States and western Europe, and thus include objects now widely dis-

persed throughout the civilized world.

An unusual feature of the exhibit is a collection of cameos and medallions minted for Roman emperors—items recently recovered from excavations just southeast of Saigon, which reveal strong Indo-Hellenistic inspiration.

The exhibit is designed to reveal the ebb and flow of Chinese influence between periods in which Indian, Near Eastern and even Greco-Roman cultural penetrations left strong traces in the customs and artistry of Viet Nam as a cultural cross-roads.

### Sunday Film Schedule

Motion pictures to be shown Sundays at the auditorium of the University Museum during the latter part of April are:

April 23—"Ancient Egyptian Images, Ancient Grecian Images and Art in the Western World," a survey of art forms from ancient to modern times.

April 30-"Louisiana Story," Robert Flaherty's charm-

ing film on Acadian life in Louisiana.

Films are shown at 2:30 P.M., and are open to the public, free of charge.

## World Rivalries Promote Language Studies on Campus

The University of Pennsylvania has become one of the nation's major centers for the study of hitherto neglected and "exotic" languages as the United States, keeping pace with Russia in their contest for world leadership, prepares hundreds of young men and women to communicate with the underdeveloped peoples of the world in their own tongues.

According to figures compiled in March, Pennsylvania's program of instruction in Hindi, Urdu, Bengali, Marathi, Nepali, Tamil and Telugu—the principal languages of India, Pakistan, Ceylon and Nepal—is the largest in the country, in terms of dollars, among those supported by the U. S. Office of Education.

In the current school year the Office of Education is spending \$1,575,000 to support training programs in 44 "obscure" tongues at 46 university centers. In terms of dollars, this is three times as much as the Federal Government allotted for the same purpose in 1959-60, while the number of languages taught has been increased from 25 in that year.

The teaching of these and other languages outside the bounds of the conventional Romance, Germanic and Slavic languages has been made the responsibility of the South Asia Regional Studies group, under the chairmanship of Dr. W. Norman Brown.

## University Gets \$200,000 Ford Grant for Demography

The Ford Foundation on April 6 announced a grant of \$200,000 to the University in support of training and research in demography, the science of population statistics, for a five-year period.

The grant will permit the University to expand its program of population studies by adding a faculty member to coordinate and direct the program, by offering fellowships for demographic study, and by making library acquisitions and purchases of needed office equipment.

Dr. Vincent H. Whitney, Chairman and Professor of Sociology, is chief investigator for the project, with Dr. Dorothy Thomas, Professor of Sociology and Director of the Population Research Center, as his associate.

### Marketers Honor Zellerbach

Harold L. Zellerbach, a trustee of the University and chairman of the executive committee of Crown Zellerbach Corporation, was presented the Parlin Award of the Philadelphia chapter of the American Marketing Association at ceremonies at the Warwick Hotel on April 18.

Mr. Zellerbach, a nationally known leader in the manufacture and marketing of paper products and containers, also delivered the annual Parlin lecture following the award dinner.

The award, given annually for outstanding contributions in the marketing field, is named in honor of Charles Coolidge Parlin, manager of research at the Curtis Publishing Company for more than a quarter of a century.

## Among Other Things

CONGRATULATIONS: To Professor John S. Griffith of the Chemistry Department, on being awarded the Marlow Medal of England's Faraday Society for 1961. The award is given to a scientist who has not passed his 33d birthday and is based on his publications in the previous three years in the fields of physical and theoretical chemistry.

OUR TRAVELERS (Midwestern branch): Dr. Helen Huus, Associate Professor of Education, spoke on "Why Children Will Read" at a luncheon meeting of the fifth annual Michigan Reading Association Conference at Michigan State University, East Lansing, on March 2 ... Dr. Otto Pollak, Professor of Sociology, spoke on "Family Dynamics in Various Cultures" in the fifth annual Metta Bean Lectureship at the University of Wisconsin, Madison, on March 29 . . . At the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Dr. Wilfred Malenbaum, Professor of Economics, spoke March 12 on the economic problems of the emerging nations outside the democratic camp . . . Dr. Richard F. Schwartz, Assistant Professor in the Moore School of Electrical Engineering, returned recently from Ann Arbor where he spent last semester as a visiting Assistant Professor of Electrical Engineering. While in Ann Arbor Dr. and Mrs. Schwartz became the parents of twins, Eric Christian and Frieda Diane, born January 9 . . .

Other visitors to the Midwest recently have been Dr. James C. Charlesworth, Professor of Political Science, who participated in the conference of the American Assembly on National Goals at Racine, Wis., March 16-19; Dr. Donald S. Murray, Comptroller, who visited Indiana and Western Reserve Universities as a member of a special study section of the National Institutes of Health, to evaluate applications for Center and Program Project Research grants, and Dr. William Gomberg, Professor of Industry, who addressed the Young Presidents' Organization in Minneapolis, on "Economic Growth and Automation."

TRAVELERS ELSEWHERE: Dr. John Perry Horlacher, Chairman and Professor of Political Science, is spending three weeks of April in Puerto Rico as a public member of a U.S. Labor Department wage board to establish minimum wage rates in the glove, leather and tobacco industries in the island . . . Dr. Irwin Siegelman, Instructor in Chemistry, participated in the tenth annual Science Teachers Workshop at the Behrend Campus of Pennsylvania State University in Erie on April 13. He spoke on "The Chemical Education Materials Study." . . . Louis B. Schwartz, Professor of Criminal Law, spoke March 26 at the Unitarian Church of Delaware County on "Exploration of Legal, Economic, and Moral Implications of the Recent Government Antitrust Suit Against Electrical Companies."

David Solomons, Professor of Accounting, lectured March 27 at the 1960-61 Faculty Seminar Series of the School of Commerce and Business Administration of the University of Alabama. His subject was, "Is the Concept of Business Income Really Necessary?" . . . Visiting offi-

cials, newspapermen and professors from five European, two African, nine Asian and four Latin American countries attended a seminar on American Minority Peoples conducted at Princeton, N. J., by Dr. J. P. Shalloo, Associate Professor of Sociology, on March 18 . . . Dr. Morton Benson, Assistant Professor of Slavic Languages, lectured on "Soviet Standardization of Russian" at the tenth anniversary observance of the Institute of Contemporary Russian Studies at Fordham University on March 24 . . .

Allen Keller, Instructor in Earth Science, presented a paper in Denver, Colorado, recently before the Geologic Society of America on "Structures Behind the Bannock Thrust, Idaho." . . . Dr. Bruce K. Goodwin, Instructor in Earth Science, spoke on "Structural Behavior of the Lima Granite Southeast of Media, Pennsylvania," before the Pennsylvania Academy of Science at Gettysburg on March 31 . . .

RIGHT AROUND HOME: Dr. Jonathan E. Rhoads, John Rhea Barton Professor of Surgery in the University School of Medicine, was a guest on a special "Eyewitness" program entitled "Cancer Will be Cured" on Station WFIL-TV on March 24 . . . Dr. Alfred Senn, Chairman of the Department of Slavic Languages and Literature, and Dr. Gregory Luznycky, Lecturer on Ukrainian Literature, spoke at the Taras Shevchenko centennial celebration held in Town Hall, Philadelphia, on March 25 . . . A paper by Dr. D. W. C. Shen, Associate Professor in the Moore School of Electrical Engineering, entiled "A New Chart Relating Open-Loop and Closed-Loop Frequency Responses of Linear Control Systems," was published recently in Translation No. 60 of the Soviet publication, "Ekspress Informatsiya." On March 22 Dr. Shen presented a paper on "Reliability of System Components under Stationary Random Perturbations" at the Institute of Radio Engineers' international convention . . . Dr. Edward B. Shils, Associate Chairman and Associate Professor of Industry, spoke on "The Influence of Automation on Post High School Education" at a public hearing of the Mayor's Commission on Higher Education at the Free Library of Philadelphia on March 23. Margaret B. Scott, who retired recently as the University's chief telephone operator, has been succeeded as chief operator by Mrs. Elizabeth Hansen . . . A paper by Dr. David Geselowitz, Assistant Professor in the Moore School of Electrical Engineering, entitled "Multiple Representation for an Equivalent Cardiac Generator," was chosen the best paper in the field by the professional group on Medical Electronics of the Institute of Radio Engineers.

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