

ALBANY open line

by Alex Rankin

Sometime this week, probably Thursday or Friday, a joint legislative committee will begin hearing testimony on a subject bound to touch millions of people in the state.

The subject is the State University of New York—that massive, multi-billion dollar institution of higher education spread out across the state and supported by taxpayers.

The immediate point of investigation will be the illegal use of marijuana and LSD among the 128,000 students, a scandal kicked off by the massive arrests two weeks ago at the State University at Stony Brook, L. I.

But there is a good chance the investigation will spread into the larger area of the state university system itself; how it is run, how fast it is growing, who really runs it and the caliber of education students are getting.

This week the joint legislative committee on crime, headed by Senator John H. Hughes of Syracuse, is scheduled to hear testimony from Stony Brook administrators and student leaders.

In the coming weeks it will spread to State University campuses at Pittsburgh, Cortland, Oswego, Morrisville, Potsdam, Canton, Brockport, Buffalo, Fredonia, New Paltz, Old Westbury, Oneonta and every other university location.

It is going to create a blaze of publicity. Because of this, it is well to keep in mind that all state Senators and Assemblymen will be up for reelection in November, and there is no better way to get one's name in front of the public than through legislative hearings and investigations.

So some of what goes on will probably have to be taken with a grain of salt. The investigation was touched off by Senator Leon E. Giuffreda of Long Island. He said he went to Stony Brook officials and told them he had learned of drug problems there. Officials promised to look into it. They never did, he said.

He said Stony Brook officials promised to cooperate with local police. But he said, when local police wanted to pose as students to investigate reports of marijuana and LSD parties, the university refused. The police did it anyway. The result was the raid.

Giuffreda and other legislators are upset because, they say, State University officials seem to be saying that drug use is a personal problem, and not something they can do anything about.

Giuffreda claims his investigation shows a complete lack of administrative control over students. People who aren't even students, in one case the brother-in-law, sister and their two children of a student were living in a State University dorm "like it was a hotel," he said, free of charge.

man is Keith Matteson; community progress, Clifford Drake, and membership, Ford Harrison. All were present at the meeting and gave a short report on their special committees.

Mrs. Donald Drake, lecturer, presented the "Unlabeled Four" from Hartwick College, whose musical selections were much enjoyed and appreciated.

Ambrose Green, the 1966 chairman of the Otsego County Board of Supervisors, was introduced and gave interesting facts about dairy ingredients used in filled or imitation milk should be sold under Class I prices and be it further resolved, that all dairy ingredients come under strict sanitary codes of inspection.

Over 90 members attended the first meeting in the second century of the Grange organization, which was founded in December 1867.

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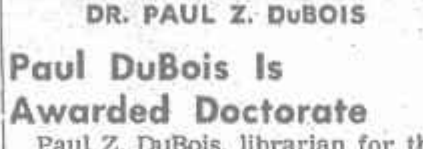
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Rev. F. W. Connell Dies; Served As Jail Chaplain

The death of the Rev. Frederick W. Connell of Cooperstown, who was chaplain of the Otsego County Jail for several years, occurred at 3 a. m. Thursday, February 1, at his home on Susquehanna Avenue following a lingering illness. He was 81 years of age.



DR. PAUL Z. DUBOIS

Paul DuBois Is Awarded Doctorate

Paul Z. DuBois, librarian for the New York State Historical Association here, received a Doctor of Philosophy degree in American Studies from Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, O., at a convocation held Wednesday of last week at the university.



REV. F. W. CONNELL

He entered Syracuse University, where he was graduated in 1915 with a BA degree. While a student at Syracuse he held several student charges at churches in that area. He entered Drew Theological Seminary and was graduated in 1918 with a Bachelor of Divinity degree.

Industrial Corporation Elects Officers

Richard M. Jacobson was re-named president of the Cooperstown Development Corporation at its annual Board of Directors meeting held Friday, February 2, at the National Commercial Bank and Trust Company in Cooperstown.

Completes Work For Cobleskill Degree

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Public Meetings To Hear Dairy Farmers

Six public meetings will be held this month to determine the sentiment of dairy farmers toward supporting the programs of the American Dairy Association and Dairy Council of New York, Inc.

Stoesser Gets Up To 15 Years For Hold-Up

Eugene C. Stoesser, 25, of East Branch, Delaware County, was sentenced to an indeterminate term of up to 15 years in Attica State Prison in County Court here Monday for the \$28,620 hold-up last November 3 of the Hartwick office of the National Commercial Bank and Trust Company.

Mitchell's Bill To Help Elected Officials

Assemblyman Donald J. Mitchell, who has introduced a bill that will come to the aid of unemployed elected officials.

Gilbertsville Weekly Paper Is Sold

The Journal Publishing Company, operated by John A. Bacon of Gilbertsville for the past 14 years, has been sold to Mr. and Mrs. Ralph St. Dennis of Norwich.

Chick Incubation Workshop Planned

The 4-H Division of Otsego County extends an invitation to Science Teachers and Elementary Teachers of 4th, 5th, or 6th grades to attend a training class in embryology.

HONORED AT PARTY: Perc D. Parslow of Hartwick, RD, who has been in charge of the farm business for the National Commercial Bank and Trust Company, Cooperstown Branch, since 1959, was honored at a retirement party Saturday evening at the Cooperstown Bank.

Parslow Honored On Retirement

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Scout Troop 54 Reports Year Long Activities

Boy Scout Troop 54, which is sponsored by the First Baptist Church in Cooperstown, has just re-registered 24 boys for another year. The troop for the past year was under the leadership of Elbert Winsor, Scoutmaster, and helped by his Assistant Scoutmasters David Chase and Stephen Winsor.

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