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## LA SALLE COLLEGE FACULTY BULLETIN II

### CLASS PERIODS:

Students have been reminded via the public address system, bulletin board notices and by the Dean personally, that all classes begin promptly on the half hour. Students are required to be in the classroom before the half-hour bell rings, at which time the corridors are cleared and classes begun.

Your continued cooperation in helping the students carry out this regulation is greatly appreciated.

### FRESHMAN COUNSELLING:

The second meeting of the members of the faculty interested in the freshman counselling program will take place on Tuesday at 12:30 in Room 106. Other faculty members are free to join this discussion group.

### MID-TERM REPORTS:

Members of the faculty are urged to prepare their Instructors' Report Sheets early in order that all mid-term grades (yellow forms) are submitted to the Dean's Office before 4:30 P.M. November 30.

A yellow "Report of Failure" card must be completed for each failure given at mid-term. These cards are available in C 105.

### DUPLICATING SERVICE FOR EXAMINATIONS:

The duplication of examinations is now being done by the College Duplicating Service which is located in the basement of College Hall.

Please observe the following directives when submitting examination copy:

- (1) All examination copy must be legibly prepared and arranged exactly as you wish it reproduced. Give especial attention to format and spacing.
- (2) Copy for mid-term and final examinations must be submitted to Miss MacCorkle in the Duplicating Office at least two weeks before the date of the examination.
- (3) Copy for mid-term and final examinations already stenciled must be submitted at least one week before the date of the examination.
- (4) At other than examination-preparation periods, a one-week interim will suffice for preparation of stencils from legible copy. Due to our heavy schedule, we will be most appreciative of any additional time allowance possible---the times stated are minimum.

### FACULTY NEWS:

Brother E. Louis, F.S.C., M.A., has returned to the States after two years in Spain.

Joseph L. Rafter, J.S.D. has been assigned to conduct classes in Business Law 101 and serve as Moderator of the Collegian.

Robert Lavelle, LL.B. is conducting the Business Law 302 and 303 classes.

## FINE FILMS SERIES:

The Fine Films Series continues in the Library Lounge on Friday, October 29, at 8:30 p.m. This second offering will be The Good Earth, (1937), a film adaptation of Pearl Buck's novel. Its theme is the love of the Chinese peasant for his land and his dependence upon it. It is an extraordinary example of Hollywood's passion for spectacular realism in the mid 30's. Many of the scenes were shot in China. A current review (Time, Feb. 15, 1937) calls it 'a real cinema epic.... sure to rank as one of the great pictures of all time.'

The Fine Films Program is a free community service of the College. You and your friends are cordially invited to attend.

## INTERFACULTY SYMPOSIUM

La Salle Will host the first meeting of the Philadelphia Catholic College Inter-faculty Symposium on Thursday, October 28, in the 201-203 Seminar Room of the College Library at 8:30 p.m.

The topic for discussion will be Psychology and Psychiatry Challenge the Natural Law, to be presented by John G. Stephenson, Professor of Law at the Villanova University School of Law. Professor Stephenson has recently spent a year of graduate study in residence at the Yale Law School, where he studied under Professor F.S.C. Northrop. Brother D. Vincent, F.S.C., Professor of Psychology at La Salle, will serve as chairman of the Symposium. Ample opportunity will be provided for discussion of the subject and the contributions of all are welcomed.

Since this is the only opportunity La Salle Will have this year to sponsor this communal interfaculty activity, it is eminently desirable that as many as possible of our faculty will attend. You may bring guests.

## TESTING:

A survey taken among approximately 300 Central State College students concerning examinations, teachers, absences, and various other questions confronting students here, by a faculty study committee, reveals the following facts:

Seventy per cent of those questioned thought that at least 3 to 9 tests should be given during a semester before a semester grade was given. Fifty-seven per cent thought tht from 4 to 9 or even more tests should be averaged together to estimate a final grade. Sixty-nine students thought that 'pop' quizzes should be given while 272 disagreed.

Many students stated that they have the tendency of putting their studies off until the last minute and if only one test is given, this can be very harmful to a student's grade. The survey seemed to reveal that if the instructors would give more tests the students would study for each individual test and thus keep his studies up-to-date.

## A THOUGHT TO ANALYZE

The purpose of the liberal arts is not to teach businessmen business, or grammarians grammar, or college students Greek and Latin (which have disappeared from their required curricula). It is to awaken and develop the intellectual and spiritual powers in the individual before he enters upon his chosen career, so that he may bring to that career the greatest possible assets of intelligence, resourcefulness, judgment and character. It is, in John Stuart Mill's telling phrase, to make "capable and cultivated human beings." 'Men are men' Mill said, 'before they are lawyers or physicians or manufacturers, and if you make them capable and sensible men they will make themselves capable and sensible lawyers or physicians.' I know of no better statement of the purpose of the liberal arts nor any that so firmly establishes their place in a national educational system that is dedicated, as ours is, to the preparation of men and women not just for intellectual pursuits but for life. (President of Yale's Report to Alumni 1952-53)