

## NOTICE OF FACULTY MEETING

The June meeting of the College Faculty will be held on Saturday, June 8, at 3:00 in the auditorium of Frank Strong Hall.

## INCOMPLETE AND FAILURE CARDS

Blue and red cards, to report Incompletes and Failures respectively, may be obtained at the departmental offices. Please send these to the College office just as soon as possible after each final examination. Failure cards should be sent in for those students also who withdrew with a failure earlier in the semester. Careful attention to these cards will be greatly appreciated. In no case should any of these cards reach us later than Saturday noon, June 8.

## SUMMER ADDRESSES

Kindly write your summer address on the enclosed sheet and return it to the office before leaving town. We do not plan to disturb your summer vacation, but may need your address in case of emergency.

## FACULTY CHANGES

The steady changing of the College Faculty is illustrated by the shifts in the chairmanships of four departments at the end of this year.

We are sorry to lose Dr. and Mrs. Otto Springer to the University of Pennsylvania after four years at K.U. Our best wishes accompany them to their new work. We are glad to know that the University will still have, however, the teaching services of the other three members of our staff who are retiring from the work of the chairmanship. Professor W. S. Johnson will yield the administrative work of the English Department to Professor John W. Ashton of the University of Iowa, but will continue with his class work. Dr. H. P. Cady will relinquish the chairmanship of the Chemistry Department to Dr. R. Q. Brewster, but will continue his teaching and research. Dr. A. T. Walker will retire from the chairmanship of the Latin and Greek Department but will keep on teaching in the department.

Taken individually and collectively these men have done work of unusually high and fine quality for which the University will always be indebted to them. May the best days of life and work still be theirs!

## CURRICULAR CHANGES

The June graduates from the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences will have met two new requirements for graduation. First, they will all have passed the proficiency examination in English composition. That this is a real test of ability to use the mother tongue is attested by the fact that quite a few students have been unable to pass the test and will not graduate till later. Some have given up the idea of graduating because of inability to pass the test and a few have transferred to other schools where no such test is required. Presumably, therefore, this year's graduates have better training in English composition than any class hitherto graduated.

In the second place, all of this June's graduates will have met the new distribution requirements which undoubtedly assure a wider distribution of studies than has been met by any previous graduating class. No longer may a student, for example, graduate with a minimum exposure of five hours of work to the whole field of mathematics and the natural sciences. Nor may he graduate with a minimum exposure of five hours of work to the whole field of the social sciences, including philosophy and psychology. In each of these areas the 1940 graduate has passed at least twenty hours of work, as he has also in the field of literature and language. We believe this broad distributional requirement will be more generally appreciated in the years to come.

## HERE AND THERE

"Anything that saps the sense of individual responsibility will rot the American character. With rare exceptions your individual future is in your own hands, and anyone who tells you that you are the creature of circumstances is doing you no favor. The greatest curse that has come upon us is a theory that we are all victims of something or other. A long-faced economist tells you that you are a victim of a system and that you are doomed to failure and misery unless the system is changed. His colleague tells you that we must take all the risks out of life and see that somebody else is going to help care for you in old age or in any sort of trouble; your security, he says, must be a social and not a personal responsibility. Another reminds you that the one thing that you must keep in mind is that you are always entitled to a subsidy for living.

"Profanity is stupid and offensive, but I confess I feel a strong temptation to swear when I read the various long catalogues of reasons why young men cannot succeed in these times." - Pres. Dixon R. Fox, Union College.