

Gen. Butler To Lecture On War Evil

'War Is a Racket' He Says After Years Of Service.

Speaker Engaged By Committee on Peace

Major General Smedley D. Butler will address the student body in Schwab auditorium tonight at 7:30 o'clock on the subject, "War is a Racket."

The general, who retired from army life in 1931, has written a series of articles exposing the military situation in this country, and is being brought here under the auspices of the Penn State Peace Action Committee.

General Butler has seen thirty years of active service with the Marines, and calls the expeditions of the Marines into Central and South America "bill collecting expeditions."

Promoted by 4 Presidents After his retirement in 1931, he said, "As a soldier, I long suspected that war was a racket; but not until I retired to civil life did I fully realize it."

The general has received promotions from Presidents McKinley, Roosevelt, Wilson, and Hoover. He has served in Cuba, the Philippines, China, Panama, Honduras, Nicaragua, Haiti, Mexico, and in France.

Recently, General Butler has been writing a series of articles for Common Sense magazine entitled: "America's Armed Forces," which follows a previous series by him on William Randolph Hearst. Of General Butler, the magazine says: "The public has been aware of his uncompromising campaign as director of public safety in corrupt Philadelphia, of his forthright exposure of Mussolini, of his refusal to traffic with the Wall Street would-be fascists. He takes his place with Senator Nye in the front ranks of those courageous few who would sacrifice anything to keep America from repeating the tragic folly of 1917."

"U. S. Threatened by War" In one of his articles, called "Military Boondoggling," the general says: "We are one short jump away from the second World War. The United States looks grotesque waving its olive branch toward Europe. We are really waving a lighted cigar over the international powder keg."

Continuing, he says: "We possess a unique set of war mongers, dollar patriots, and military chiselers."

General Butler is the only officer in the history of the nation who has been awarded two medals of honor by Congress for bravery on the field, and has been cited on numerous occasions. Called "Gimlet Eye" and "Duck-board" by the Marines he commanded, General Butler was cited by Theodore Roosevelt as the ideal American soldier. And Butler says, "War is a racket and always has been. It is the oldest, easily the most profitable, surely the most vicious. It is the only one international in scope. It is the only one in which the profits are reckoned in dollars and losses in lives." The general proposes a way to smash this racket.

Relations Conference To Meet at Syracuse

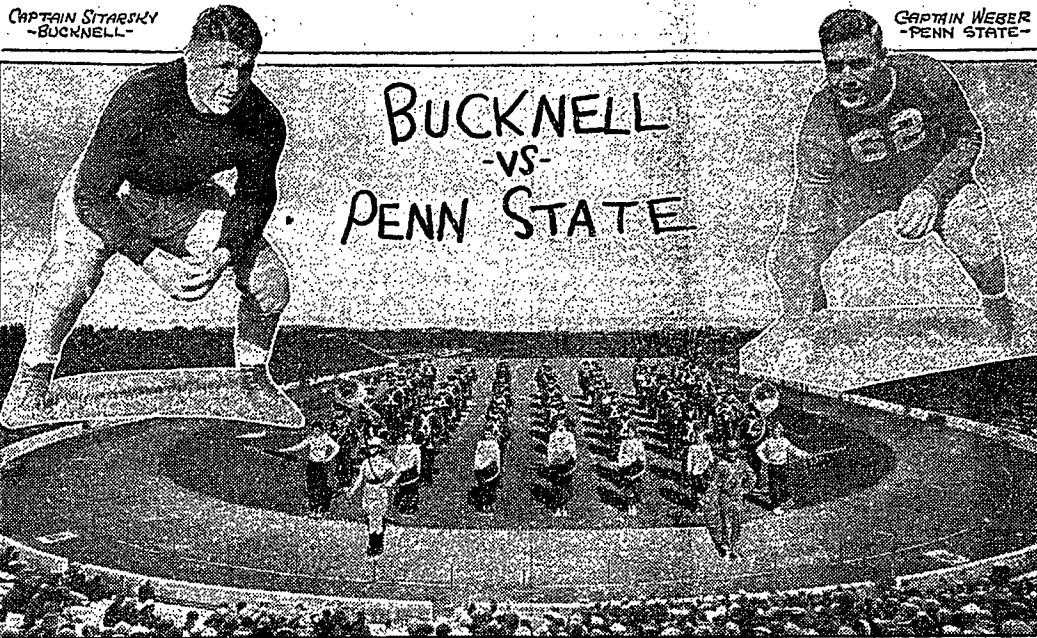
Dr. Jacob Tanger, of the department of history and political science, and four student representatives will leave today to attend the third annual Middle Atlantic Region conference of International Relations Clubs held at Syracuse University, Syracuse, N. Y., today and tomorrow.

The students who will attend the conference are William Egli '37, president of the local club; William G. Balderston '36, Israel K. Shulman '37, and Johnson Breneman '37, who will act as chairman of one of the round-table discussion groups.

The conference this year will deal with the general topic of international efforts to preserve peace. This will be divided into discussion groups on sanctions, American neutrality policy, and economic conditions which tend to engender war.

Last year's conference, which dealt with economic nationalism, was held here. It was attended by nearly 200 students from about thirty colleges in the district. About the same number are expected to attend the Syracuse conference.

Leaders of Lions and Bisons Who Will Meet on Memorial Field



CAPTAIN STARSKY -BUCKNELL-

CAPTAIN WEBER -PENN STATE-

BUCKNELL -VS- PENN STATE

Formal Banquet To Follow Rites

Mortar Board To Install Local Chapter at Ceremonies Here This Week.

A formal banquet will follow the installation of the Penn State chapter of Mortar Board, national senior women's activities fraternity, at the Nittany Lion Inn at 3:30 o'clock Saturday.

The theme of the banquet will be "The Archonai Ritual." Anne B. Fagan '35 will be the banquet hostess. Speakers will be Mrs. F. W. Haller, Miss Charlotte E. Ray, Selena A. Wunderlich, and Miss Katherine Kuhlman, installing officer from Dayton, O.

From 10 to 11 o'clock there will be a formal reception in the Nittany Lion lounge for prominent faculty members and student leaders and members of Lions' Paw, senior honorary fraternity. A group of junior girls will assist as ushers. Evelyn M. Van Antwerp '38 will be the pianist at the installation.

The honorary will hold a breakfast at the State College Hotel at 9:30 o'clock Sunday morning. A business meeting will follow.

The active members of Archonai who will be received into Mortar Board are: Selena A. Wunderlich, president; Amelia Brooks, vice-president; Emma Jane Hosmer, secretary; Katherine L. Wagner, active treasurer; Ruth E. Koehler, historian; Janet M. Beman; and A. Frances Turner.

5 Students Withdraw

Five students have withdrawn from College and one has been dropped, it was announced by the Registrar's office early this week. Those who have left school are: Harold S. Ray '36, J. E. Mumford '37, Lawrence E. Boyer '38, Walter W. Janku '38, and Robert S. Hollenbaugh '39. Samuel T. Huntington '37 was dropped because of unexcused absences. Reasons for the withdrawals include lack of finances mainly, and illness.

Dean Steidle's Office Contains Unique Industrial Art Collection

Dean Edward Steidle's office and a ready of considerable historical significance in Pennsylvania. One is of the Diamond Colliery near Scranton, one of the oldest collieries in the anthracite region. Another is of a beehive coke oven in the coke region of this state. Another painting made at Johnston represents one of the first by-product coke plants installed in this country. Another is of the now dismantled Schellberg rolling mill on the Monongahela river, Pittsburgh.

Then there is the Lucy Furnace, one of the oldest blast furnaces on the Allegheny River, and a picture of a typical oil derrick at Titusville where oil was first discovered, and another of bringing in a gas well in Potter county. Another painting is of one of the last drift mines employing mule haulage in operation in western Pennsylvania. One shows an abandoned limestone quarry near Bellefonte, and another an offhand glass blowing at Pittsburgh. Then there are companion pictures showing the laddling and the pouring of the large telescopic disc, made by the Corning Glass Works on December 2, 1934. These are the only paintings in the collection which are not Pennsylvanian.

Democracy Fosters Educational Gains, Hetzel Tells Conference

Democracy, the most promising vehicle for the advancement of modern civilization, has fostered a net gain in the fortunes of public education, President Ralph D. Hetzel told members of the National Association of State Universities, assembled in Washington for their fortieth annual meeting, yesterday.

Addressing the meeting in his capacity as president of the association, Dr. Hetzel stated that the status of higher education had improved materially in the past two years. This statement he qualified by saying, "Education has emerged from the conflict in a cloud of criticism, but below the surface of criticism we, nevertheless, find faith in the potency of education universally acknowledged."

The situation of education abroad he found less inspiring. Where peoples are free, he remarked, there is a net gain in the present disposition to make relatively heavier investments of public funds in support of education. But in other circumstances such investments have involved in increasing measure the prostitution of education and the "subject surrender of freedom of teaching and of thought."

He urged upon them his belief that "yielding neither too much to the left nor too much to the right, we shall in the present crisis make our decisions and steer our course in the direction of justice and freedom."

The topic of democracy revealed itself at recurrent intervals in the presidential survey of the contemporary scene, a survey which each succeeding president of the association makes in review of the high spots in the progress of civilization during the term of his office in the association. In tracing the gains that have been made in the last three years Dr. Hetzel quoted a paragraph which indicated how at that time "the whole civilized structure seemed to be wobbling," and the general attitude was "one of fear and panic," a condition which has since disappeared.

"Democracy has been pronounced dead; but democracy is not dead. It has been subjected to extreme strain and long and debilitating counteraction, but it has not been broken or seriously impaired. Indeed, there is reason to believe that within the year it has passed the crisis and is even now on the road to convalescence and to a position of new authority in the world."

"And so it seems to me that there is adequate justification for the conclusion that in this nation at least, and, I have faith to believe, in the world, too, democracy emerges from trial by fire as the most promising vehicle for the advancement of modern civilization."

"If this is a sound observation, then we must concede the corollary that since democracy as a political concept is the expression of the determination of men to be free and to establish and maintain justice in the world, then freedom and justice remain the fundamental motivating forces of our present day civilization."

The sessions opened Wednesday following the meeting of the Association of Land Grant Colleges and Universities and came to a close this morning. Other members of the faculty who are attending the sessions include Dean Ralph L. Wats, of the School of Agriculture; Dean Robert L. Sackett, of the School of Engineering; Prof. Stevenson W. Fletcher, of the department of horticulture; Prof. Marion S. McDowell, of the department of home economics; Director Edith P. Chace, of the department of home economics; and Prof. Pauline Beery Mack, of the department of textile chemistry.

One student, who we suspect is slightly older than the general run of education seekers, wished to attend the wedding of his daughter. Although excuses to attend funerals are legion, the Dean stated, none received by his office is quite up to the one presented by the student who wished to be present at the interment of his grandmother 103 years old.

Slightly more prosaic, but equally as interesting, was the excuse presented by the student who wished to go home in order to testify in the divorce proceedings of his parents. And then there was the student who wanted to see his new baby. . . In summing up the situation, Dean Warnock, stated that the excuse which is presented with the most frequency this year is for permission to return home to talk over finances with parents. Running a close second to the financial excuse in the number of times presented, injuries to members of the family, usually through automobile accidents, appears with alarming frequency, the Dean said.

I.F.C., Counsellors Hold Joint Dinner

Professor Tschan Toastmaster At First Annual Aaffir Of 2 Groups.

Conducted for the purpose of providing a spirit of coordination between the two bodies, a joint dinner attended by members of the Fraternity Counsellors' Association and the Interfraternity Council delegates was held in the Old Main Sandwich Shop last night.

The dinner, the first of what is planned to be an annual affair, was attended by about seventy-five persons, representing the two groups. Prof. Francis J. Tschan, of the department of history and political science, presided as toastmaster.

Addresses were made by Prof. Clarence E. Bullinger, of the department of industrial engineering, and Prof. Clarence S. Anderson, of the department of agricultural education. Representing the counsellors' group, Joseph P. Swift '36, Interfraternity Council president, and Henry D. Brown '36, chairman of the I. F. C. committee in charge of the affair, also spoke.

Assisting Brown on the committee in charge of arrangements for the affair was Herbert E. Locnis '36 and Swift. Prof. Charles C. Wagner, of the department of mathematics, represented the counsellors' group on the committee.

Student Patrol Office To Dispose of Articles

The collection of articles that have been lost and turned in to the student patrol since school started, has steadily been increasing. Umbrellas, hats, coats, books—even slide rules are among the articles awaiting claim in student patrol office, Room 200, Old Main.

All articles not claimed by Christmas vacation will be disposed of by the beginning of the year, according to Captain William V. Dennis Jr., head of the patrol.

Students Keep Dean Warnock Busy With Variety of Excuses

In keeping with the COLLEGIAN's policy of more and better service to its readers, and knowing of the comparative horror which seizes the average student when he is faced with the problem of explaining an unexcused absence to that august personage the Dean of Men, your faithful servant, a COLLEGIAN reporter, recently beard this great person in his den and picked up a few pointers which may prove helpful to frantic sleepers-in, hangers-over, and just plain class cutters.

In explaining that all of the excuses which he would mention were definitely on the up and up and quite bona fide, Dean Warnock stated that were he to go into the rather doubtful absence explanations it would be going from the ridiculous to the sublime. Probably the most unusual excuse tendered to date, the Dean said, was tendered by a boy who desired to go home in order to be present at the trial of his father—charged with murder.

Lions Close Gridiron Season With Bucknell Tomorrow Afternoon

Intercollegiate Dance To Open Week-end With Bucknell.

Mal Hallet to Feature Sophomore Ball Tonight

As the opening event of the Penn State-Bucknell week-end, the sophomore class at the Lewisburg school will hold its annual Cotillion tonight as an intercollegiate dance. Mal Hallet and his orchestra will play. The dance will be held in the Women's College Dining Hall, on Bucknell's lower campus. Dancing will begin at 9 o'clock and will last until 2. Tickets for the affair are \$3.50. The dance will be informal. Mal Hallet has played here on several occasions, his last appearance being at Interfraternity Ball last spring. He has also played for dances at several parks in this vicinity. A number of students from here attended the Sophomore Cotillion last year, when it was also held the night before the State-Bison game. Arthur Calvin, sophomore class president, has announced that all Penn State students will again be welcome.

Scrimmage Is Renewed To Tone-up Squad For Final Fray.

Bison Squad Planning To Annex 6th Straight

By PHIL HEISLER Tomorrow's game will be an anti-climax for the Lions and the climax of the season for the Bisons—Penn State has not beaten Bucknell in the past five frays—the Lions are still suffering from the humiliating defeat from Penn—Villanova and Western Maryland, both of whom the Lions defeated, defeating Bucknell—the Thundering Herd has had a two weeks' rest. It all adds up to the fact that tomorrow's game will be one of the closest in the series, which dates back to 1887, closer than any Lion followers would have predicted three weeks ago.

Berl To Lecture On Coal's Origin

Eminent Research Professor Studied Under European Chemical Masters.

Dr. E. Berl, research professor of the Carnegie Institute of Technology, will deliver an open lecture in Room 315, Mineral Industries building, on Tuesday night, November 26, at 7:30 o'clock. Dr. Berl will speak on "The Origin of Coal, Petroleum, and Asphalts." The School of Mineral Industries and Sigma Gamma Epsilon, Mineral Industries honorary fraternity, are sponsoring the lecture.

Dr. Berl has studied under and collaborated with some of the greatest scientists of Europe. He studied at the Technical University at Vienna and at the University of Zurich, where he was a scientific assistant to Alfred Werner. Dr. Berl collaborated with Richard Lorenz and George Lunge, the famous teacher of chemical technology.

In 1910 Dr. Berl became the chief chemist at the rayon plant in Tubize, Belgium. When the war broke out in 1914, Dr. Berl was appointed chief chemist of the Austro-Hungarian War Ministry, which post he held until 1919. Until 1933 he taught at the Technical University of Darmstadt, Germany. Since 1933, Dr. Berl has been research professor of chemistry at the Carnegie Institute of Technology.

Dr. Berl will show how brown coal, bituminous coal, asphalt, and oils can be produced in the laboratory in several hours. These same products took nature millions of years to make. The process involves geo-chemical conditions, combined with high temperature and pressure. It was long thought that the products of the new geo-chemical process could only be obtained by using the theory of Warren and Engler.

Higgins Renews Scrimmage

Coach Bob Higgins was faced this week with the difficult task of bringing the squad back to top pitch. Although he had announced a scrimmage before the Villanova game as being the last, he has changed his mind and the team has undergone active scrimmages every night this week. Last night's scrimmage was the most successful we have had this season, Higgins reported.

Injuries have again weakened the team. Economos, who entered the Penn game in an injured condition, has not improved, and it is doubtful if he will be able to play. Owens is again hurt and will also be out of the line-up. Knapp and Andrews are suffering slight injuries, but will be able to play.

Bisons Reported Strong

Al Mikelonis, who has been scouting reports, "They have five good backs, two good ends, but are weak on substitutions." However, the Thundering Herd will be in perfect physical condition, no person being out from injuries.

A wave of optimism has swept over Memorial Field in Bucknell. "Bucknell hasn't lost to Penn State in the last five games and we're not going to start losing on Saturday," Captain John Starsky announced recently. His idea seems to be the general opinion of the whole Bison squad.

Bucknell has been admittedly "laying" for the invasion of the Lions. Although they have had a two weeks' lay-off, they even left several of their regular players home from the Detroit encounter in order to avoid possible injuries.

State Line-up

Penn State's probable starting line-up will be: Fry and Smith at ends, Miller, who is suffering a slight injury, will also see some action; Weber and Schuyler, tackles; Latorre and Wismer at guards; and Cherundolo at center.

In the backfield will be Knapp and Donato at halfbacks; ("We never lost a game in which Donato started."—Higgins); Cooper at fullback; and O'Hara will be calling signals.

N.S.L. Chapter Names Goldsmith Chairman

The proposed Penn State branch of the National Student League, an organization designed to achieve unity among students in colleges and universities throughout the country, met last night to elect permanent officers. Robert Goldsmith '36 was elected chairman of the organization chapter. Other officers were: Richard Lewis '37, membership secretary; Leon M. Lurie '37, literature agent; A. Sandy Morrison '36, chairman of the educational committee; and Jules Vernik '36, publicity chairman.

A tentative program for the year was outlined by the group, to be taken up by the executive committee of the officers. The group took an active part in supporting the recent mobilization for peace, and is planning to engage in other campus activities.

Who's Dancing

Friday Night Yarsity Hall (Subscription) Bill Dottorf