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International Red
Tape: The Tragedy
Of the Democracies

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(In the absence of Dr. H. A. Alderfer, this column is being written by the editor of the Collegian.)

Of all the New Dealers sitting about in Washington these days, perhaps the one who has won the least opposition to any specific program is Tennessee's suave Secretary of State Cordell Hull.

As a member of Congress during the Hoover administration, Hull had watched with interest the result of American high-tariff policies, had seen how protectionism of markets at home brought about retaliatory measures from foreign countries, how this served to exclude American products from world markets and to cultivate undesirable opposition and even bitter hatred toward the United States.

So when on March 4, 1933, he became the highest-ranking member of the new Roosevelt cabinet, Secretary of State Hull immediately set forth to scrap this theory of so-called protectionism and to substitute a program of reciprocity among nations.

Single handedly he sold the New Deal on a reciprocal trade treaty policy, finally approved by Congress on June 12, 1934, when it authorized the President to negotiate such treaties, an authorization which later was extended until June 12, 1940.

From then to negotiate trade agreements without the approval of the Senate, which always entails political maneuvering and personal bickering, Hull proceeded to chart his course—a course designed to break down economic barriers between nations that can breed only distrust, hatred and eventually war.

In four years, the State Department has consummated trade agreements with 20 nations accounting for 60 per cent of American foreign trade, including the latest agreement with Great Britain last month, an agreement which brought together the two largest trading nations in the world, representing more than one-quarter of present-day international trade.

In these four years, the State Department, led by the conscientious Hull, has thus relegated the theory of trade reciprocity to a position high above the theory of reprisal; it has served to decrease international friction, has caused undesirable economic barriers, it has served to divert dangerous nationalistic tendencies into the channel of friendly internationalism, and, most of all, it has served to boost American foreign trade, a boost reflected in the fact that in the fiscal year of 1938 trade with agreement nations increased 66.2 per cent, while trade with non-agreement nations rose only 47.7 per cent.

Despite all this, however, it is only natural that opposition should exist, especially from sectional interests which have in some instances found themselves sacrificed for the interests of other sections. Unfortunately, no trade program in the world can satisfy everybody.

Then, too, there are those who still believe firmly in the policy of isolationism, so cherished by one George Washington, forgetting that the America of today—an industrialized, exporting, lending nation—is no longer the America of yesterday—an agricultural, importing, borrowing nation.

Yet the seed of the most dangerous opposition to the key-stone of the administration's foreign policy program was planted last Saturday, when Senator James J. Davis, recently re-elected by the Pennsylvania electorate, indicated he was willing to revive a move to subject these reciprocal trade treaties to the approval or rejection of Congress.

Saying the Constitution had made tariff-making power a Congressional function, Senator Davis added: "No reciprocal trade agreement should be made without the approval of both the House and Senate, and I would vote for a bill to provide that."

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HOT BATTLE PREDICTED IN '42 ELECTIONS

Changes In Constitution Suggested

Propose Separation Of 2 Bodies With Split Powers

Proposals to separate Student Board and Student Council into two distinct bodies and to elect an all-College president from the student body at large are being debated by the five-man Constitutional Revision Committee appointed by Student Council last Sunday.

Under tentative plans, it is understood that Student Council would be given supreme legislative powers, with Student-Board acting as a judiciary body.

The Board, however, would have veto power over Council legislation, with Council empowered to override the veto by either a two-thirds or three-fourths vote.

The Board would consist of seven members: Presidents of the sophomore, junior and senior classes, Collegian editor, Interfraternity Council president, student representative to Borough Council and a representative of non-fraternity men to be elected in a manner not yet decided.

Meanwhile, the Interclass Finance Committee would retain power to initiate financial measures, which would be subject to approval of Council and Board.

Also being discussed is a plan to elect a president from the student body at large who would be the responsible leader in pushing legislation before Council. The other proposal before the Council would have members of the body itself choose a president from its senior membership. In this way, class officers could be retained.

The committee was again in session last night at the Collegian when press hearings may be held some time next week before the committee presents its final report to Council on December 18.

'Night Must Fall' Cast Is Listed By Diehl

The cast for "Night Must Fall," a drama which through its sheer subtle terror and penetrating psychological study of an egomaniac, stunned the theatrical world a few years ago, has been announced by Charles F. Diehl, instructor in dramatics and director of the production.

The play will be given in Schwab Auditorium January 12 and 13.

The cast will be headed by Paul E. Dean '40 in the part of Danny, a psychopathic congenial individual with a hidden instinct to murder. Margaret Jones will take the part of Olga, secretary, Bernard Schechtman '40, Hubert, a friend of the family, Jane Eames '40, Miss Branson.

Others are Martia E. Leety, as Mrs. Teasdale, the housekeeper, Eud Hunter '42, nurse, Angelo Jerome '40, as Belsize, detective, and Beatrice Hunn '40, as Dora, the maid.

Home Ec Club Plans Christmas Musicales

A Christmas musicale of favorite melodies will be sponsored by the Home Economics Club Wednesday at 8 p.m. in second floor lounge of Old Main.

The Louise Homer Club, string ensemble, duets by Roderick P. Thompson '40 and Elizabeth A. Hartwick '40, and vocal solos by Barbara Troxell will be included in the program.

Mary Lou Trunk, Marian E. Hartman, and Ruth E. Wint, all juniors, are in charge of the program. Everyone is invited to attend.

PIANIST



ANNETTE ELKANOVA known as "Atlanta City's Musical Prodigy," who will appear in a piano recital in Schwab Auditorium at 3:30 p.m. Sunday in the "Artists of Tomorrow" series sponsored by the Hillier Foundation. She is now with the Curtis Institute of Music and has made numerous stage and radio appearances.

Board Begins Health Survey

Group Seeks Faculty Opinion For Improvement Of Medical Service

A survey of 300 students completed, the Student Health Board decided to make a survey of faculty members and town doctors at its meeting Wednesday night.

The committee is sampling opinion on the College service in order to suggest desired improvements to the College Trustees.

Later in its survey the group will again interview students to find out if they would be willing to pay an additional health fee in order to have free dispensary service and hospitalization.

The committee membership of 12 has been completed with the appointment of two new members: Alice M. Murray '42 has been named to the group by Dotis Blakemore, president of W S G A, and Herbert S. Doshow '40 has been selected by Joseph A. Peel, senior class president.

4 DAYS

ahead of the United Press. That's the latest unbelievable scoop made by the Collegian last week. On December 2, in a special story, the Collegian announced the General State Authority's second building program was definitely doomed unless Governor-elect A. H. James. More than four full days later—15 hours; to be exact—the United Press confirmed this report. For the best coverage on ALL local news, whether it happens in State College or Harrisburg or Washington, or anywhere else, read the COLLEGIAN.

Labor Federation Seeks GSA Revival

HARRISBURG, Dec. 8—Support of the incoming James administration for revival of the second huge General State Authority, program which includes a new \$5,000,000 grant for the Pennsylvania State College, will be sought here by high-ranking officials of the State Federation of Labor.

The program was doomed last week when PWA money ran out before the Authority could find positive backing for its 55-percent share of the grants.

According to word here, the Federation will attempt to meet Governor-elect Arthur H. James before he takes office on January 17 and win his support for the Authority plans.

Although a similar conference is held prior to the inauguration of every administration, the meeting this year is expected to be different in view of the fact that the Federation, for the most part, backed the defeated Earle ticket. Only Lewis G. Hines, representative of AFL President William F. Green, and Warner D. Curry, vice-president of the state group, supported James. Both have been mentioned for cabinet posts.

The Federation, an AFL organization, includes the State Federation of Teachers, of which the new State-College Teachers' Association is a member.

ASU To Open Dining Center

Will Start Monday; Plan Fifteen Cent Lunches In Dairy Building

A co-operative dining commons, the purpose of which will be to serve luncheons to students at absolute cost, has been planned by the Committee on Cooperatives of the American Student Union and is expected to get under way Monday in Room 9, Dairy Building.

The present plan involves the serving of five luncheons a week, the cost of which will amount to 15-cents per luncheon. Two full sandwiches, dessert, and coffee will be served, the committee has reported.

At the outset, shares at \$1 each will be sold in order that a capita may be accumulated for the purchase of food and necessary utensils. It is reported, however, that the \$1 will be returned to the students after substantial returns through operations will enable the continuation of the plan.

A meeting of the prospective subscribers will be held in Room 405 Old Main, Sunday at 2:30 p.m. Those attending will be given the opportunity to express their preferences and determine further arrangements for the expansion of facilities which, it is expected will take care of more students and perhaps raise the number of meals to three a day.

CO-CHAIRMEN OF HOP



ERIC S. MOELLER



ROBERT ROBINSON

Berigan To 'Sweet-Swing' For Soph-Hoppers Tonight

Sweet Berigan swinging in the cool atmosphere of the Hawaiian Islands.

That's the set-up for Soph Hop goes in Recreation Hall tonight as the initial "big dance" of the season overtakes us.

Featuring Bunny Berigan—"The Miracle Man of Swing"—with his trumpet, the Hop band also spotlights the charming songstress, Kathleen Lane, and Dick Wharton; song stylist.

Conspicuous in Bunny's self-named "fighting men" organization will be the well-balanced array of rhythm to aid the nation's race trumpet tooter, George Wetling on the drums, Joe Lippman at the piano, Al Fishkin with the bass, and Tom Morgan strumming the guitar, handle the rhythm section to near perfection.

Sid Lipkins looms as a top-ranking trumpet associate for Maestro Berigan with Sunny Lee and Ford Leary usually completing the outfit in the trombone department.

Erik S. Moeller and Robert Robinson, co-chairman, head a committee of seven including S. Cawley Atkinson, Lawrence S. Driever, J. Donald Garland, Edgar V. Hall, Robert C. Keim, Ruth K. Kistler, and Daniel Thomas, Jr.

Tickets, priced at \$3.30 per couple tax included, lowest price for a "big dance" in recent years, will go on sale at the Athletic Association office this morning.

FRIARS... AND FROSH

Last May, a campaign was launched to clean up the honoraries, yet what has Friars done to keep faith with the students? See the editorial on Page 2.

Pitt may be having its freshman football troubles. But so is Penn State. See "Between the Lions" on Page 3.

Class Votes In Old Main On Monday

Phillips, Geisler, And Baird To Vie For Presidency

By A WILLIAM ENGEL, JR. All indications point to a closely contested Freshman class election as the Independent and Campus candidates and the lone "Progressive Lion" nominee toe the mark for Monday night's balloting.

Robert D. Baird, Independent, Dean A. Phillips, Campus, and Wilson S. Geisler, Progressive Lion, are the contending presidential candidates. The runner-up automatically becomes vice president.

Voting will be held in the first floor lounge of Old Main with the polls open from 7 to 9 p.m. Walter A. Jones, junior class president, and members of Lion's Paw, senior honorary, will supervise the balloting.

Need Matriculation, A. A. Book, Matriculation cards and A. A. books must be presented before a freshman can cast a ballot.

Over 250 men attended the freshman mass meeting in White Hall Wednesday night as each party introduced its respective candidates and reviewed its platforms.

Gerard P. Doherty, Independent party chairman, presented his party's candidates, namely Baird, Earl L. Horst, secretary, George R. Ross, Jr., treasurer, and Francis S. Maxwell, historian.

Baird Speaks Well. Explaining that "a vote for the Independents is a vote for democracy," Baird frankly concluded his brief resume of the Independent ticket in a well-prepared talk.

Phillips, George A. Ladner, secretary, John A. Petrella, treasurer, and Gardner E. Lindsey, historian were, introduced by 1942 Campus clique chairman John W. Crawford.

Phillips pointed out in an impressive chat that his party is maintained for the equal benefit of fraternity and nonfraternity men. A brief discussion of the Campus platform was used to exemplify Geisler Appeals to All.

Geisler, running on his own ticket with no obligations to anyone, appealed to all, "Vote as you feel for the man you believe is best, for the man you can rely upon."

In the drawing for position on the ballot which followed, the Independents won the toss and chose the left side of the ticket. Geisler's name will appear alone in the middle, and the Campus list is set for the right.

Hetzel Names Survey Group

Committee To Make Visual Audio Supplies Available For College Use

Organizations of visual and audio equipment on the campus is being undertaken by a committee representing 12 different College divisions appointed by President Ralph Hetzel.

Its object will be to have information always available on where and when adequate projection rooms, latest supplies and materials, new slides, and sound equipment will be available.

Serving on the committee as division representatives are David E. Fugh, chairman, arts and science extension; Willard P. Lewis, librarian; Oscar P. Broyles, agriculture; Oscar P. Smith, Chemistry and Physics; Emmett A. Betts, Education; J. Bunn Helme, Engineering; John P. Selsan, Liberal Arts; Clair W. Robinson, Mineral Industries; Ray M. Conger, Physical Education; George F. Johnson, Agriculture Extension; Hugh G. Pyle, General Extension, and Harold W. Loman, purchasing agent.

Barland Addresses Honorary Leo G. Barland, advertising manager of the Williamsport Sun, was the speaker at the rushing smoker of Alpha Delta Sigma, professional advertising honorary, Wednesday night at the Beta Sigma Rho house.

An Army Uniform Doesn't Change A MAN---Col. Emery

By EMANUEL ROTH
A determined but merry pair of eyes, a quiet and decisive voice, clear-cut slightly angular features dominated by a noseavoring of Roman, agile, abrupt actions, a condescending personality and liberal attitude which defy the stereotype of the Army—that's Col. Ambrose R. Emery, new Commandant of the Department of Military Science and Tactics.

"I know," the Colonel will tell you confidentially, "we're all humans. An army uniform really doesn't change a man. We're tickled to be with students—that's why we're here."

The Commandant was born in Indiana. (His father was a West Pointer, Class 1881.) But Col. Emery had no ideas of the military life when he entered Baylor University, Texas. In fact men and war didn't interest him even after he was graduated from Bloomfield in 1919.

Electric engineering was his field but upon graduation from Georgia Tech in 1924 he was designated to take an examination for a second lieutenantcy, passed and was assigned to the 27th Infantry

in Hawaii in 1925. Thirty-one years later, in 1936, he proudly rejoined the old 27th at Schofield Barracks, Hawaii, as Colonel—on his 27th wedding anniversary.

From 1926 to 1929 he was with the Army of Cuban Pacification, returned to Camp Perry, Ohio, 1929, on an infantry team; to the Philippines in 1935 and then to China. The Commandant was on the way back from China when the Amistice was signed. From Camp Lewis, Washington, Emery went on recruiting duty to Salt Lake City, then to Virginia (1926-32) where he served as recruiting officer. After spending 1931 and 1932 at the War College, Washington, he was stationed at Texas A & M for four years.

In 1936 the Colonel made his triumphant return to the Schofield Barracks in Hawaii and last year was notified of his appointment as head of the Penn State Reserve Training Corps.

"We're here because we like to be," the Colonel assures us. "We're going to cooperate with students and make it all as pleasant as possible for everyone."

But the Colonel's words aren't just manifestations of military steam. He intends to abolish the regulation "high russet shoes" and allow ROTC students to substitute any plain brown shoes available, he intends to increase the advanced enrollment by liberalizing admittance restrictions, he intends to abolish the regulation ROTC textbooks and substitute a cheaper text which won't be revised every year.

He'll calmly tell you, "We intend to cut down the cost of taking the course."

As far as foreign policy of the country is concerned, the Commandant believes in a bigger army, navy, air force as guarantees of lasting peace for the United States, sees war in Europe as inevitable but is confident we can keep out, condemns the democracies for deserting the Czechs in the recent crisis.

"If any nation thinks the United States is asleep and starts taking advantage, it's time for us to act," Emery insists.

The director of the Penn State Reserve Corps believes in compulsory ROTC, but you won't find

him dogmatic about the subject. "If students would speak of ROTC as just another required course, it would sound less distasteful than if they labelled it 'compulsory.' You must admit, it's an easy 1 1/2 credit, the drill really doesn't hurt anyone; besides, it does promote team-play, organization, leadership.

"Yes, Wisconsin, Minnesota, and North Dakota have voluntary training. But I feel that the course is more distasteful if fewer students take it; I feel that students compare that word 'compulsory' too much with the Fascist systems of Europe. No, ROTC never really hurt anyone."

Then the Colonel will lean back in his swivel chair and tell you about the 20-year old son who's now at West Point, upholding a military tradition of two Emery generations.

"Yes, Penn State is a grand place," Commandant Emery II tell you, and he gazes out the window where men and machines are digging up the marching grounds of the ROTC to make room for a new Penn State era.