

The PULSE

68.8 % Of Students Oppose Making U. S. A Jewish Haven

By Student Opinion Surveys of America

AUSTIN, Tex., Dec. 12.—Jewish refugees from Central Europe should not be allowed to come into the United States in great numbers, a large majority of the college youth of this country believe, the first national poll of the Student Opinion Surveys of America reveals.

In slightly more than a month, Germany has turned its Jews into a world problem, one that may have to be faced by leaders of tomorrow—college men and women of today. Should the United States offer a haven to the persecuted Jews? Although many think some should be admitted if other nations cooperate, seven out of 10 are opposed to opening wide the doors of Ellis Island.

These figures are the first announced by the new Student Opinion Surveys, organized with the Penn State Collegian as one of the cooperating members among college newspapers over the nation. The Surveys, a non-commercial organization of campus editors, will publish weekly reports based on national referenda similar to those of other polls that recently have been polled highly reliable. The surveys are intended to add a "fourth dimension" to the college press by reporting scientifically national student thought.

Campus interviewers have approached students of every description, rich and poor, freshmen and seniors, in large schools like Luther in Iowa and Schreiner in Texas. They have asked, "Should the United States offer a haven in this country for Jewish refugees from Central Europe?" The result

Yes 31.2% No 68.8%

It was clear from the coast-to-coast returns that students as a whole would like to see the United States help oppressed German minorities in some way, some suggesting the offering of homes in U. S. possessions. "No country should turn away people who bring so much with them," said an Illinois senior. "But where would we put them?" asked a University of Minnesota sophomore. Others definitely believed none should be allowed admittance. Notable was this qualification, "If other nations help also."

American Jewish students, congregated in the East Central states, it appears, raised the "yes" answers in that particular section of the country, where 39.1 percent were in favor. In the New England group 35.8 were affirmative. Middle Atlantic, 30.1, West Central, 30.7; Southern, 29.5, Far Western, 23.2.

Awareness of the problem and distribution of the population along racial lines are pointed out by these sectional figures. (Copyright, 1938)

Seek Aid Here For Refugees

Campus Groups Organize To Help European Youths Carry On Studies

Endeavoring to alleviate the problem presented by European refugees in this country, representatives of 16 campus organizations met in Main Engineering Building Thursday night to consider proposals for raising funds to aid victims of college age. The committee plans to bring at least one student to the Penn State campus by next September. The movement, which is non-sectarian, is being sponsored by the American Student Union.

DEAN WATTS TO LEAVE AFTER LONG SERVICE

Co-op Dining Plan Is Squelched

Meeting In Old Main Is Broken Up

Selling Of \$1 Shares Prohibited, Says Supt. Ebert

See editorial, "The Dinner Gong," Page 2

BULLETIN Although permission for the Penn State Co-op League meeting Sunday had been revoked, Captain William V. Dennis, head of the campus patrol, reported yesterday that he did not break up the meeting but arrived when it was over and those attending the meeting were already leaving the room.

Claiming that the College buildings are for educational purposes only and that no sales or solicitations are allowed on the campus, George W. Ebert, superintendent of grounds and buildings, temporarily squelched the plans of the newly-organized Penn State Co-op League for a co-operative dining commons when he ordered that a meeting of prospective members be halted Sunday afternoon in Old Main.

Permission for the meeting in Old Main was granted by Ebert, but it was "with" the assumption that the committee had no intention of planning a dining commons, but merely an attempt to secure a room in the Dairy building where students may gather and eat their lunches," he said.

Claims Story Not Straight The story was not straight when given to him, Ebert claimed, and when he learned that the committee intended to sell shares at \$1 each to all interested students, he ordered that Captain Dennis, head of the student of the campus patrol, stop the meeting.

The plan for the dining commons involved the serving of five luncheons a week, the cost of which would amount to 15 cents per luncheon. Shares at \$1 each were to be sold at the meeting Sunday so that capital could be accumulated at the outset for the purchase of food and necessary utensils.

Money to Be Returned The money invested in shares was to be returned to the students after a substantial return through operations enabled the continuation of the co-operative, it was pointed out by the committee seeking the dining commons.

Ebert explained that it was out of his hands to pass judgment on the proposal and that the executive board of the College is the only group to decide whether or not a dining commons could be set up on the campus here.

German Songfest Tonight The annual German Christmas song program, including organ solo by Mrs. Richard W. Grant, will be held in the Schwab Auditorium at 7 o'clock tonight.

Paul Dean '40 Is A Maniac, But It's In 'Night Must Fall'

Paul E. Dean '40 is very congenial and very nice but he's a psychopathic case... he's No. don't get scared Dean is only going to play the part of Danny in "Night Must Fall," blood-freezing thriller which recently horrified London and New York.

As the "New York-American" dramatic editor reports "Night Must Fall" is a blood curdler for faint-effective shocker—wholesale in its horrors—with grateful bubbles of laughter between the deep quaffs of blood—I had a sufficiently good and horror-stricken time.

Critic's Opinion "The New York Times" sums it all up in two words: "Morbidly terrifying." And, to elucidate the type of character Dean will portray, the

Conflict Exams Must Be Reported by 5 P.M. Friday, Watkins Says

All conflict examinations must be reported to the office of the Registrar not later than 5 p.m. Friday, Ray V. Watkins, scheduling officer, announced yesterday.

Two final exams scheduled for the same period or three exams on the same day constitute a conflict, Watkins stated.

Better Alumni Plan Proposed By Association

Establishment Of Student District Clubs Advised By Committee

A comprehensive program to train the undergraduate to become a better alumnus of the College is being worked out under the sponsorship of the Alumni Association, Edward K. Hibbsman, executive secretary of the association, has announced.

Headed by George M. Arisman '18, of Lancaster, a committee of three members of the association's executive board, has already completed a tentative report on the program and presented it to the Alumni Council for criticism and suggestions.

The report proposed the establishment of district clubs among the undergraduates which correspond with the local alumni district clubs throughout the state and country.

The preparation of themes by students on subjects concerning the College was also proposed in the report.

Among the suggested subjects for themes were the history of the College and its traditions; history of the board of trustees; history of past presidents of the College; the history of the Dean of Men; the history of the Dean of Women; history of the Deans of the various schools; the vocation of the undergraduate; the College through research and extension; a general sports history of the college; and how the College was formed and how it functions.

The report also proposed the establishment here of a centralized Placement and Personnel Bureau, the informing of undergraduates of the work of the alumni association, its organization and how it functions; the holding of traditional get-together meetings for seniors and alumni at commencement; and the encouragement of undergraduates to take part in the alumni district club social committees.

Two Merrill Palmer Delegates Selected

Ruth E. Burrage and Jean E. Welch are the two seniors to be sent to Merrill Palmer School in Detroit in February as representatives of the Home Economics Department.

Paradox--Heat Increased By Cold Shivers

The use of a shiver and a convulsion as a method of hunting to the more basifluous boys that you want them to put their arms around you, girls, isn't going to work after today.

According to Professor R. W. Swift of the department of animal nutrition, a person who shivers is manufacturing four times as much heat in his body as under normal conditions.

Professor Swift explained that it is simply nature's way of adjusting the body to lower temperatures, and that after a thorough shiver, the body is as warm as when in a heated room.

College Head Raps Women's Drinking

W. S. G. A. Will Investigate Every Case, Says Dean Charlotte E. Ray

"College officials and the W.S.G.A. Senate not only disapprove of drinking among women students but expect to investigate every possible instance with the intention of learning just which students are promoting the good name of the College and are fulfilling the real purposes of education."

Thus, in a statement to the Collegian, Dean of Women Charlotte E. Ray replies to many inquiries received in recent weeks concerning the attitude of College officers toward drink among women students.

Her statement is incidental to a letter issued to all co-eds by Doris Blakemore '39, president of W.S.G.A., clarifying the organization's attitude toward drinking.

Regarding the most insistent question, concerning the statement in the Student Handbook (page 42) "W. S. G. A. disapproves of drinking among women students and empowers Senate and Judicial Committee to deal with violations," Dean Ray states: "When an incident of drinking on the part of a girl is reported, the matter is discussed with her and usually with her parents, in order to understand the whole situation and then to determine whether her presence on this campus is helpful or harmful to herself and others."

"Right here it should be said that such an interview always throws enough light on the case to prevent a decision based on just one incident."

"Then comes a question about the manner in which some offenders are reported. The report always comes through an eye-witness who has decided that something must be done about the matter, often one who has already tried to help the situation."

"Now someone will suggest that there must be many reports on which no action is taken, but this is not true in the case of actual reports. There is much generalizing on the part of those who develop a situation, but a real unwillingness to make known facts."

"Invitation Rules Revised Rules for extending invitations during formal rushing season were revised at the Pan-Hellenic meeting in 305 Old Main at 4:30 p.m. Thursday. According to the original plan, invitations were to be issued Sunday, February 5, for the following 5-day open rushing period."

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Invitations will be brought to the different dormitories between 11 and 11:30 Sunday morning and placed in the mailboxes at noon. Bids for town women will be taken to Women's Building "pledge" defined.

Pan-Hellenic formally defined the meaning and extension of a fraternity pledge on this campus. During regular rushing season, a pledge begins at the time a woman is notified from Dean Ray's office that she has been accepted by a house listed on her preference sheet, and continues for one calendar year unless broken by the house or woman. Pledges made during open bidding season begin when the woman answers the fraternity's invitation.

A woman breaking a pledge may not pledge to another house for one calendar year after her first pledge is broken. Pan-Hellenic transfers who have been pledged to another chapter of a campus fraternity are considered pledges to the local chapter until their pledge year is up unless the national rules of the fraternity state otherwise.

Teachers Will Launch Study

Action On 18-Point Program To Start With Survey By Four Groups

Determined to keep pace with the new Penn State era, the State College Teachers Association has authorized its president, Dr. Alfred G. Pundt, to appoint four committees to begin a study of the most pressing of student-faculty welfare problems.

Losing no time in getting what are considered as four important points in the group's 18-point program under way, the committees formed will study recommendations on faculty salary standards, faculty promotions, the teaching load, size of classes, faculty housing and student welfare. Reports on these problems will be prepared for presentation to the teachers for their approval.

Recognition Sought By Fraternity

Co-ed Organization Asks New Local Chapter

A new women's local fraternity, Phi Sigma Alpha, organized in October, has petitioned Student Welfare Committee for recognition.

Members are Edna E. Groff, president, Dorothy M. Johns, secretary, Louise L. Ziehl, treasurer, Emma J. Gilmitt, historian, Edna Mae Kappel, social chairman, Ruth J. Kocher, business chairman, and Elizabeth Pierson, all juniors.

The fraternity will exist under Pan-Hellenic's new membership policy, which requires that it exist fifteen college months and have a membership of at least eight and a scholastic average of not less than one A after it has met these requirements and has been an associate member for a year, it will be given full membership.

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Chapel Music Service Stated For Rec. Hall

The annual Christmas chapel service will be held in Recreation Hall this year instead of in Schwab Auditorium. The singing of the Glee Club will last from 10:30 a.m. till noon. There will be no speaker.

The new location of the Christmas service will make possible the accommodation of the overflow crowd that was turned away from Schwab Auditorium last year.

Alumni To Sponsor 4 Vacation Dances

Four alumni groups in the state are planning joint student-alumni dances during the Christmas vacation, Edward K. Hibbsman, alumni association secretary, stated yesterday.

The Berks County alumni club will hold its annual dance at the Reading County Club on Monday night, December 26. The Plymouth Country Club near Norris-town will be the site of the Montgomery County alumni group's dance to be held Wednesday night, December 28.

Alumni of Harrisburg will sponsor a dance in the Hotel Penn Harris ballroom on Friday night, December 30. On the same night, the Lancaster alumni will hold a dance at the Hotel Brunswick, Lancaster.

The fraternities are playing Santa Claus. One hundred needy State College families will have turkey dinners on Christmas day with the turkeys and other groceries furnished by fraternity houses.

RETIREES AT 69...



DEAN E. L. WATTS

Philadelphians Given Library Sculpture Job

Trustees' Committee To Seek More Funds, Artist For Murals Project

Edward Ardolino, Inc., Philadelphia sculptors, have been authorized by the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees to execute the sculptured designs planned for the New Library Building.

The designs will be carved into the two limestone slabs that have been substituted for windows in the frontal projections.

Meanwhile, the Trustees authorized its Committee on Architecture, headed by Vance C. McCormick, to review the case of murals for Old Main, for which the Class of 1932 has donated \$4,500.

The Committee will seek to learn: 1—What mural painters are interested in doing the work and 2—What additional funds, if any, (Continued On Page Four)

P.S. Club Will Hold Banquet

Group at Annual Christmas Affair To Hear Emery Speak Thursday

The Penn State Club will hold its annual Christmas banquet at 6:30 p.m. Thursday in the Sandwich Shop. The guest speaker will be Col. Ambrose R. Emery, new head of the ROTC department.

Carol singing will follow the banquet. All men students are cordially invited to attend whether they are members of the club or not.

Other guests expected to be present are President Ralph D. Hetzel, Dean Arthur R. Warnock, Dean Carl P. Schott, Russell E. Clark, busat, Adrian O. Morse, assistant to the president, Bill Jeffries, soccer coach, James A. Hanley, George Donovan '35, and Westley Monahan '36, ex-president of the club.

The committee in charge consists of Arthur K. Woernle '41, Leonard Egan '41, William A. Bitting '40, and Theodore Rice '41.

Retirement Is Effective Jan. 1, 1939

No Successor Named For Agriculture School Head

Ralph L. Watts, dean of the School of Agriculture since 1913, will retire January 1, 1939.

Under the present retirement plan, College employees are automatically retired at the age of 70. Dean Watts will not be 70 until June 5, 1939, making necessary special action last Friday night by the executive committee of the College board of trustees to approve his application. He will be named dean emeritus following his retirement.

Successor Not Secured No definite action has been taken on securing a successor to Dean Watts, Adrian O. Morse, assistant to the president, announced yesterday.

The retiring dean was born in Lumbertown, Clearfield County. He was educated in a one-room country school and small high school and graduated from Penn State in 1899. He was then appointed horticulturist of the Tennessee experiment station and associate professor of horticulture at the University of Tennessee. He resigned these positions in 1909 to engage in market gardening and lecturing at the Farmers' Institutes in Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Maryland.

Named Dean in 1913 He began assistant teaching in horticulture here in 1907, was named professor and then head of the department in 1908. In 1912, he became acting dean and director of the School of Agriculture and experiment station. He was named dean and director in 1913.

A regular contributor to all issues of the Market Growers' Journal of Louisville, Ky., Dean Watts is also the author of several gardening books. He is a member of Phi Kappa Phi, Alpha Zeta, Sigma Phi, and Delta Theta Sigma fraternities, the American board of directors of Lingnan University, Canton, China, and president of the Vegetable Growers' Association of America.

He has received the following academic degrees: B. Agr., Penn State, 1899, M. S., Penn State, 1898, D. Agr., Syracuse University, 1916, and D. Sc., Rhode Island State College, 1931.

Dean Watts will continue living in State College with his family after his retirement.

A Christmas party, in recognition of Dean Watts' service prior to his coming retirement on January 1, 1939, was held by members of the faculty in Old Main Sandwich Shop Saturday night. A book, containing 75 letters from faculty members and associates in his activities for the past 25 years, was presented to the retiring dean, along with complete equipment for the wildlife research in which he will be engaged after his retirement.

Engel, Lininger Are '40 Handbook Heads

A William Engel '40 will be editor of the Student Handbook for 1939-40. J. Duane Moore '39, head of the Christian Association handbook committee, announced yesterday Engel succeeds Salvatore S. Sala '39.

Frederick Lininger '40 was named business manager to succeed Julius Matymow '39 and Frances P. McEvoy '40 was chosen women's editor, succeeding June C. Price '39.

Candidates for both business and editorial staffs of the handbook have been called out by Moore and should report immediately to him or to the CA office in Old Main.

100 Needy Will Be Given Christmas Dinners By IFC

The fraternities are playing Santa Claus. One hundred needy State College families will have turkey dinners on Christmas day with the turkeys and other groceries furnished by fraternity houses.

The mass Christmas present is being sponsored by Interfraternity Council at the suggestion of its president, Raymond S. Coshery '39. House representatives were unanimous in their approval of the plan as not only a benefit to the underprivileged families, but as a sign of the fraternities' willingness to cooperate with townspersons and the borough government.