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Petty Thievery Reaches New Heights In Women's Dormitories, Sororities

\$50 Stolen Within Two Weeks; 'Inside Job' Is Opinion Held By Student Leader; Thief Sought By Police But Lack Of Evidence Causes Failure

See editorial "It's About Time," on Page 2

Petty thievery in women's dormitories and sororities amounting to at least \$350 since Easter reached a new peak yesterday when it was disclosed that more than \$50 has been stolen during the past two weeks.

About \$200 has disappeared from Frances Atherton Hall and the remainder from sorority houses Alpha Omicron Pi with \$25, Gamma Phi Beta with \$37, Kappa Alpha Theta with \$20, and Zeta Tau Alpha with \$52 were the hardest hit.

Campus Calendar & News Briefs

(All contributions for this column must be received at Student Union Desk by 1 p.m. the day preceding publication.)

Today:

- Board of Directors of Collegian Inc. meets at 2 p.m. in 313 Old Main. Iota Sigma Pi and Delta Sigma Epsilon picnic in Hot Woods at 5 p.m. La Vie available to all seniors at the AA window. Matriculation cards must be presented. Varsity baseball, Bucknell at 4 p.m. Louise Homer Club meets in Room 411 Old Main at 7 p.m. Student Tribunal meets in Room 305 Old Main at 7 p.m. All news articles to go in the Collegian must be in by 6 p.m. to appear in the final Collegian which will be distributed tomorrow night.

Tomorrow:

- Freshman Commission meets in Room 305 Old Main at 7 p.m. Transition Issue of Collegian will appear. NYA application blanks available at the Bursar's office. Regular Thursday Collegian Business candidates report to 313 Old Main at 7:15 p.m.

Miscellaneous:

- A speed trap will be conducted on borough streets. Jan Savitt will appear at the Cathaum theater Monday. Subscription drive for the new daily Collegian is now on. Senior Women's dance will be held at the Nittany Lion Inn from 9 to 12 Saturday night. Final Inter-Church Council outlining 1:30 p.m. Thursday. Cars will leave all churches. Students are reminded to get fee deferral blanks at the Bursar's office before the end of the term.

Alpha Phi Omega Chooses Officers

Scouting Fraternity Completely Reorganized

New officers of Alpha Phi Omega, service fraternity, who were officially initiated at a special ceremony in Old Main last week are John B. Veneral '41, president; Bruno Eisen '43, vice president; Otto C. Zimmermann '42, secretary; and Hugh J. Peeling '41, treasurer.

A complete reorganization of the fraternity was accomplished by the addition of new members at this last formal gathering until the next College term.

Plans were completed for the blazing and marking of the new "Blue and White" trail through nearby mountains. The trail will be clearly pointed out by blue and white markers along the way.

In order that incoming freshmen can familiarize themselves with the activities of Alpha Phi Omega, a questionnaire will be given each new student to be filled out as he registers during Freshman Week. The questions will concern the connections and activities with the Boy Scout organization that the freshmen boys may have had, for Scouts and Scouters, either past or active members, are eligible for enrollment.

Preview Of Daily Collegian Slated Tomorrow Night

Subscription Campaign Continues; Directors Will Formally Organize

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Collegian, Inc. pushed plans for its daily publication on three fronts as this week opened.

1-The staff began work on a special Transition Issue which will appear tomorrow night and end publication for this year.

2-The annual Spring subscription drive continued with the new daily offered at the same local rate as the present semi-weekly.

3-A board of directors of Collegian, Inc. was set to be formally organized at a meeting in 313 Old Main at 2 p.m. today.

Plans for the Transition Issue call for a preview of the new tabloid size and a special illustrated page given over to Commencement. Because of the Memorial Day holiday Thursday the paper will be issued tomorrow night instead of Thursday night.

Both local and mail subscription orders are being accepted at the Student Union desk and at Collegian Office, 313 Old Main, as the subscription drive progressed this week.

Local subscription and single copy rates will remain the same. One year, \$2.50, one semester, \$1.50, and single copy, \$0.05. Mail rates are \$3.25 for one year and \$2.00, one semester.

Plans for the board of directors' meeting this afternoon include the adoption of by-laws drawn up in an informal meeting of the 14 persons who will form the board of directors, and confirmation of C. Russell Eck '40, Collegian business manager this year, as its graduate counselor next year.

Five students and nine faculty and administrative members are included on the board. Students are Adam A. Smyser '41, Collegian editor, Vera L. Kemp '41, women's editor, Lawrence S. Driever '41, business manager, Arnold C. Laich '41, all-College president, and Elinor L. Weaver '41, WSGA president.

Faculty and administrative directors are Franklin C. Banner, Neil M. Fleming and Arthur R. Warnock for three-year terms, Louis H. Bell, Bratton R. Gardner and William K. Ulerich for two-year terms, and Russell E. Clark, Donald W. Davis and H. Ridge Riley for one-year terms.

One hundred and fifty issues will be published next year, five mornings a week; Tuesday through Saturday. Many outstanding features such as a daily women's page, a regular report of companies conducting job interviews on campus, and a daily Campus Calendar will be incorporated.

Players To Appear In 'What A Life'

James Ambandos Will Portray Henry Aldrich

An opportunity to relive high school days will be offered house-party theater-goers at the Players' production of "What A Life" in Schwab Auditorium at 8:30 p.m. on June 7 and 8.

Tickets will be priced at 50 cents each. The play, a farce, satirizes typical high school characters in the setting of the principal's office of an old high school in a fairly large city.

It was first produced in New York City by George Abbott and created Henry Aldrich, of radio fame James Ambandos '43 will play the part in the Players' version.

The play centers around an unctuous, self-satisfied principal and the problems thrown on his shoulders by typical teachers, students and parents.

Written by Clifford Goldsmith and directed by James Doll, instructor in dramatics, the play continues the Players' tradition of offering a comedy as their last production of the year. Last Spring the house-party show was "You Can't Take It With You."

Savitt And Top Hatters Here In Person Monday

Jan Savitt and his Top Hatters have been signed to appear in person at the Cathaum Theater Monday, it was announced late yesterday. The Senior Ball orchestra will appear at four performances. Negotiations with the band had been carried on by the management for a considerable time.

NYA Application Blanks Ready For Distribution

NYA applications will be distributed to students now in college at the Bursar's office Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday, Stanley B. Maddox, NYA Administrator, announced yesterday.

Application blanks are not available to new students (freshmen, two-year and transfers) until they have been granted admission to the College. The application should not be returned before August 10.

The College has not been officially notified that federal funds will be made available for 1940-41 but the committee on student employment under NYA anticipates the continuance of the program.

Psychologists To Assemble Here

15 Faculty Members Participate In Confab

The 48th annual meeting of the American Psychological Association, national professional organization of psychologists, to be held here September 5 to 7, and the meetings of four other psychological organizations here earlier this week are expected to bring 1,400 psychologists, educators, sociologists, and statisticians.

Fifteen members of the College faculty are listed among the 664 members and 2,075 associates of the American Psychological Association which met last year at Stanford University and the University of California.

Dr. Bruce W. Moore, head of the department of education and psychology, and a member of the executive committee of the association, is chairman of the convention committee.

The largest of the other organizations is the American Association for Applied Psychology which will meet September 2 to 4. This organization has over 500 members in different fields of applied psychology, clinical psychology, consulting psychology, educational psychology, and industrial and business psychology, most of whom also belong to the American Psychological Association.

The Psychometric Society, concerned with the mathematical application of psychology, will meet here (Continued on page four)

Borough To Operate Speed Trap; Stop Watches Used

A speed trap will be operated on borough streets, principally Albertson Street and College Avenue, Police Chief John R. Juba announced last Thursday.

Where streets are posted with speed limit signs the timing will be done with stop watches. On other streets timing will be checked by the speedometer in the police car, Juba said.

Music Monotonous But Islands Idyllic, Says Grant

"It's most difficult to describe the breath-taking beauty of the Islands to one who has never seen them," was Prof. Richard W. Grant's summation of his recent trip to the Hawaiian Islands.

Grant was granted a leave of absence from the College on January 22 to do research on Hawaiian music for the National Music Supervisor's Conference, and was recently elected second vice president of the Conference after serving as a member of its board of governors for several years.

"I was disappointed in Hawaiian music because after you listen to much of it, it all sounds the same," he said. "However this is not true of Hawaiian dances.

"Swing has had a devastating influence on the native dances," he remarked.

Sees Crowning Traveling south to Florida, Dean and Mrs. Grant motored to Los Angeles and then took a fast liner to the Islands.

Noticeable in the Islands, Dean Grant explained, is the manner in which Chinese, Japanese, Portuguese and many other nationalities live together on the best of terms, disregarding their national prejudices. He hinted that this could be explained since 80 per cent of the population claims American citizenship and that intermarriage is common among the various groups.

\$10 Room Deposit Compromise Made In Dorm Dispute

Payment Of Deposits On Second Term Rent Set For September

An agreement was reached yesterday morning by College officials and student leaders of the three men's dormitories in their dispute over the proposed \$20 room deposit when a compromise plan calling for \$10 deposits in September was accepted. The present occupants will make the \$10 deposits at September registration as advance payment for second semester room rent. A first semester deposit previously paid at registration will be waived.

The new plan as proposed by Samuel K. Hostetter, assistant to the president, replaces the original demand of \$20 deposits before July 15 which caused opposition from a majority of the students residing in the halls. The original proposal, however, will go into effect for all classes after 1943 and for new students wishing to live in the dormitories.

Want 100 Per Cent Capacity In order to assure close to 100 per cent capacity occupancy, Hostetter, Arthur R. Warnock, dean of men, and Loman emphasized that students would have to notify the College at a specified time if they desire to reserve a room.

Failure to keep this deadline will result in absolute loss of the reservation and will give incoming students an opportunity of moving into the dormitories which they would not have otherwise. The plan is similar to the one in effect for the women students, whose room deposit was raised from \$5 to \$10 this year.

The College favored a change in the former lax system because experience has shown that students often fail to notify the officials. (Continued on page two)

Dixon '41 Named Editor Of La Vie

Yearbook Distribution Begins Today In Old Main

See editorial, "La Vie Issue," on Page 2

With announcement of Jack G. Dixon '41 as next year's La Vie editor, Thomas J. Finn '40, retiring editor, declared Sunday that yearbooks will be distributed to seniors from the Athletic Association window in Old Main starting today upon presentation of matriculation card.

Outstanding innovations of this year's book will be a colored frontispiece of Old Main, six new arrangements for pages in the senior section, omission of all freshman activities to make it primarily a book for seniors, and beauties picked by artist George Petty Green is the color scheme throughout.

Other juniors were elected to the following positions: Jane A. Fulton, managing editor, Jay R. Ellenberger, photographic editor; Louise Hyder, administration editor; Dave E. Wagenseller, organization editor, Estelle Margulies, activities editor.

Jack H. Hibbard, athletic editor, Billie R. Martin, assistant photographic editor, Francis X. Casserly, assistant administration editor, Betty A. Willis, assistant activities editor, Odette Newman, assistant athletic editor.

Moyer Chosen New Head In Waifs Hall Elections

Watts Hall, men's dormitory, elected officers last week for 1940-41. They are Paul E. Moyer '41, president; Phillip Laterman '42, vice-president; Julius N. Nelson '42, secretary; Arthur D. Seides '41, treasurer; William L. Byrd '43, intramural manager; George R. Ross '42, junior IMA representative; Thomas R. Ridge '43, sophomore IMA representative.

The retiring officers will receive keys in recognition of their excellent work. They are, Myroslaw Kok '40, Richard J. Davis '41, Morris R. Schaffner '40, Raymond J. McCrory '42, Carl W. Barby '42, and Jack D. Yudin '40.

Senate Welfare Committee Urges Introduction Of Housing Program; College Proposed Dormitory Mediator

COLUMNIST WARNS



Clapper Sees U. S. In Grave Position

Publishers Favor Willkie In Presidential Poll

A possibility that the United States may be the sole protector of the Western Hemisphere should Germany defeat the Allies and the protection given by the British fleet to the Atlantic seacoast disappear was declared by Raymond Clapper, Washington columnist, at the closing banquet of the Pennsylvania Press Conference here Saturday night.

"The British fleet has controlled the eastern side of the Atlantic throughout our national history, but now we are confronted with the possibility that this friendly protection will be demolished. The situation is so grave that we would be foolish not to face the possibilities at their worst," said Clapper.

"That situation creates a tremendous task for the United States. It will require the development of the strongest possible defense machinery, the consolidation of all Latin America in the scheme of hemispheric defense, and the stiffening of ourselves for the ordeal, which is going to require much more sacrifice than the average person now realizes," he said.

Cautions Against Hitler Clapper expressed the opinion that a friendly alliance between this country and Latin America would be difficult to achieve. The Americas feel none too friendly toward us since Congress has placed so many restrictions on trade with the South American countries, he believes, and might succumb to the woosings of Hitler.

If victorious in Europe, the German dictator will most certainly look covetously upon the rich soil and natural resources of Latin America. (Continued on page four)

Far-Reaching Plan To Begin In September; PSCA, Health Service To Approve Homes; Hetzel Sanctioned Room Inspection Move Last May

See list of suggested housing standards on Page 4

The gradual introduction of a far-reaching housing program beginning this September was urged yesterday in a detailed plan on student housing inspection forwarded to President Ralph D. Hetzel for his approval by Dr. Warren B. Mack, chairman of the Senate Committee on Student Welfare.

By compiling a list of approved homes inspected by PSCA and College Health Service representatives, and by authorizing the Senate committee to impose definite housing standards, the College, for the first time, proposes to become a disciplinary mediator in regulating rooming difficulties.

"That the College has never before exercised control over housing in private homes does not mean that it cannot do so," the report to President Hetzel stated, in citing its case for 52 per cent of male enrollment who live in private homes.

President Hetzel sanctioned, in principle, the plan to inspect rooms last May when it was submitted by the Student Housing Board, following a Collegian campaign, then returned it to the Senate Committee to be drawn into a definite plan of action.

Want Planned Setup The Senate committee asked for a planned and controlled housing setup when its survey showed that competition necessary to better conditions was lacking because of impermanency in housing contracts and agreements.

"Through the requirement of students to occupy rooms approved and the enforcement of leases or contracts for rooms on a semester or yearly basis, prevailing conditions would be minimized," the committee revealed.

Steps toward such control, suggested by the Student Housing Board and recommended by the Senate committee are: 1 That rental lists should be compiled for the first semester of 1940-41.

2 The PSCA shall keep records of rental agreements, occupancy of rooms, and housing lists made accessible through the Student Handbook or other means.

3 PSCA and College Health Service shall furnish a housing approval agency. (Continued on page four)

Final Inter-Church Council Outing 1:30 P.M. Thursday

Inter-Church Council will sponsor its final outing for all students at Camp Kanestake at 1:30 p.m. Thursday. Cars will leave from any of the local churches and return about 8 p.m.

A sports program including a baseball game played by members of attending churches is planned. Those expecting to attend should contact their church. Louise Carter, president of the Council, is in charge.

Common Student Query Is 'What Shall I Talk About?'

One of the most common complaints of students who have conversational difficulties is that they "don't know what to talk about," according to a survey conducted by Eugene T. McDonald, graduate assistant in speech.

Before this problem could be solved it was necessary to learn conversational background of college students. They were asked to list the magazines they read.

Any student who feels that he is having difficulty in conversation might make out such lists of his own and check them with the following:

- 5. American Women
7. Esquire
8. Fortune
9. Look
Radio Programs
1. Jack Benny
2. Information Please
3. Ford Hour
4. Glenn Miller
5. Hit Parade
6. "Just any" dance band
7. Lux theater
8. Kay Kysar
Men
1. Dance bands in general
2. Information Please
3. Lowell Thomas
4. Ford Hour
5. Fred Waring
6. News reports in general
7. Jack Benny
8. Glenn Miller

Collegian Honor Roll For 1939-40

Day in and day out there are working for Penn State individuals and groups whose sincere desire is to improve the College.

It is the Collegian's earnest wish that it could give recognition to all of these, but in a university as big as Penn State this is impossible.

The Collegian recognizes this and regrets it in the same breath as it congratulates those individuals who have been brought to its attention for outstanding service rendered to the College in the past nine months.

The honor roll President Ralph D. Hetzel for a continuation of the wise and tolerant leadership that has strengthened the College and doubled its size in the 13 years of its administration.

Dean A. R. Warnock for cooperative, mature counseling that has helped build Penn State men.

Robert A. Higgins for producing the best Penn State football team in 16 years in the face of a vicious Collegian attack.

Mrs. Ralph D. Hetzel, a constant friend of the students, who this year fostered the new Student Loan Fund.

Adrian O. Morso who has been willing to work with student leaders on student projects when others in the faculty and administration were reluctant.

Registrar William S. Hoffman who has distinguished the College as president of the American College Registrars.

Col. Ambrose R. Emery who has given ROTC intelligent and understanding leadership and created in the ROTC unit its first esprit de corps.

Col. Charles S. Ritchel, another understanding ROTC leader, who completes his assignment here next month.

Russell E. Clark for well-advised counseling to student leaders.

George L. Donovan for wise counseling and ever-ready cooperation with student projects.

Dr. Fred F. Lummer, Dr. Jacob Tanager, and Dr. Paul H. Wueller, who have distinguished themselves as members of the Pennsylvania "brain trust."

M. Nelson McGeary, a political science instructor who has been a real friend of students.

Miss Ruth Zang who is one of the most capable hostesses McAllister Hall has had.

Dr. Kingsley Davis for making a success of the marriage course in its first year.

William Jeffrey who coached the soccer team through its eighth season without defeat, Leo Houck whose boxing wizardry brought Penn State permanent possession of the Baltimore Sun Trophy, and Eugene Wetstone who conceived the All-College Circus and whose coaching has brought gymnastics into the limelight.

H. Clifton McWilliams Jr. '40, first all-College president and winner of the Collegian outstanding senior award.

A. William Engel Jr. '40, G. Warren Elliott '40, and David E. Ferguson '40 whose clear-thinking and conscientious work made the first year of all-College government a success.

Clarence H. Evans '40, a leader in last Fall's revival of College spirit and a supporter of independent organization and student government.

John A. Troanovitch '39 for fathering the Alumni Committee of 100 which woke the Penn State (Continued on page four)