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'Tip-Off' Rally Begins Student Finance Drive

Finance Canvass Leaders, Workers Receive Final Instructions At Rally

Students Are Divided Into Sections, Divisions

Section chairmen, division leaders, and solicitors who will receive their final instructions for the finance drive at the "Tip-Off" rally tomorrow afternoon were announced last night by Ralph Harris and Betty Jane Drouse, co-chairmen of the canvass.

Students have been divided into sections, which in turn have been broken down to divisions. Each section has a chairman while serving under him are a number of division leaders. The solicitors comprise the last group, serving under the division leaders.

The co-chairmen have split the drive workers into two separate teams. Ralph Harris, an Advanced ROTC student, has charge of the boys while Betty Jane Drouse, a junior home economics major, is director of the girls' group.

The two teams will compete to see who finishes its goal first. A display in the Athletic Store window will keep account of the daily contributions. Nancy Sherriff, Susan Haas, and Ruth Winterstein are on the committee which will adjust the display accordingly.

Section leaders for the girls' squad are Jane Cromis, Florence Porter, and Betty Shenk. The men section chairmen are William Morris, Richard Gillespie, and Harvey Marcy.

The student goal has been set at \$2,000. Servicemen also come under this heading. Civilians are being asked to contribute \$1,500 of the share. The remaining \$500 has been fixed as the servicemen's quota.

For names of all section chairmen, division leaders, and solicitors see story on page eight.

Chapel In Woods Proves Important

Possibly the most important direct contribution to the Penn State campus by the Christian Association has been the construction of an outdoor chapel in Hort Woods.

Hundreds of students have taken advantage of the opportunity it offers for undisturbed thought and meditation. The chapel's cedar cross which stands on a small clearing in the heart of the woods acts as a symbol of religious thought for those students.

The idea of having a place where people could be alone with their thoughts had long occupied the minds of Penn State students. The first solution to this problem was thought to be a room in Old Main reserved for this purpose.

Crowded conditions doomed the plan and nothing was done until the winter of 1940, when the advent of the summer session made it feasible to build an outdoor chapel.

PSCA lost little time in organizing a committee under the chairmanship of Charles Hoge and Norman C. Howells to work in conjunction with the grounds and buildings department and Prof. John H. Frizzell in the completion of the project. In July of that year the outdoor chapel was opened and ever since then it has been the center of religious activities of all types.

Guest Speaker



Dr. Martin H. Bickham

Dr. Martin H. Bickham, noted Illinois sociologist, will be the guest speaker at the PSCA Finance Canvass "Tip-Off" Rally in the State College Hotel banquet room at 3:30 p.m. tomorrow.

CA Welcomes Each New Fresh Class

The Penn State Christian Association welcomes each incoming freshman class. Plans for freshmen activities are constantly being formed to acquaint the new students with Penn State.

In the past the association has presented welcome parties for freshmen in order to acquaint the new students with the school and all the things it stands for. Cabin parties provide recreation for the outdoor lovers of the new class.

A special issue of the PSCA News appears with each new green bow class. It gives an explanation as to what the freshmen should expect of Penn State, and what the Christian Association does as its part in fulfilling that expectation.

The association provides each new freshman with the well-known "freshman bible." In it is anything and everything about Penn State.

Worship services also are held for each new freshman class during Freshman Week. After that services are held in the college auditorium every Sunday morning at 11 a.m.

Dr. Martin Bickham Speaks At Rally; CA Officials Outline Student Canvass

PSCA To Sponsor Movies On Sunday

Sunday motion pictures will be shown free of charge to servicemen every Sunday afternoon in 121 Sparks, James T. Smith, executive secretary of the PSCA, stated today.

"The Immortal Sergeant," a sound film starring Henry Fonda, will be shown on the screen this Sunday afternoon. There will be two showings, the first at 2 o'clock and the second at 4 o'clock.

Because of borough laws which cannot be repealed at the present time, the local theater management was unable to open a theater for use by military personnel on Sunday. As a result the PSCA obtained 121 Sparks for the showing of the movies. A USO ruling permits only men in uniform to see the movie.

In connection with its Open House program in Old Main the PSCA plans to sponsor films every Sunday. Future motion pictures include "A Yank in the RAF," Jan. 30; "The Palm Beach Story," Feb. 6; and "Ox-Bow Incident," Feb. 13.

Music and reading also are available each Sunday afternoon in the Hugh Beaver room, 304 Old Main. Ping-pong, checkers, and other recreational games may be found in 401 Old Main.

Special Committee Sends Literature to Servicemen

One of the new features of the Penn State Christian Association is the servicemen's mailing committee. Mary Davis is chairman of the group.

The committee sends letters, books, pamphlets, and other types of literature to all former Penn State students who are now in the armed forces and desire the service. The material is sent out to the men every two weeks.

Also on the committee are Evelyn Singer, Kathryn Arbogast, Ann Berkheimer, and Adele Good.

Everyone is urged to turn in at the PSCA office all names of servicemen who would like the service.

Civilians, Servicemen Strive for \$2000 Goal

The Penn State Christian Association will begin its annual finance drive with a "Tip-Off" rally at the State College Hotel banquet room, 3:15 p.m. tomorrow, James T. Smith, executive secretary of the association, announced today.

A goal of \$2000 has been set for students and servicemen stationed on the campus. Canvass plans will be explained by PSCA officials at the rally.

Dr. Martin H. Bickham, chairman on Christian Missions in training camps, Chicago, Ill., will be guest speaker at the rally. He is known throughout America as one of the country's outstanding sociologists.

For years Dr. Bickham has been actively studying social problems of city life under the stimulation of social scientists like Dr. Simon Nelson Patten, Dr. Charles R. Henderson, and Dr. Albion W. Small. Lately he has been investigating social conditions in universities and colleges.

Miriam Zartman, secretary of the PSCA, will serve as mistress of ceremonies. Harriet Van Riper, president of the organization, is in charge of arrangements.

The drive, which opens with the rally, will last until January 29. The faculty canvass was held recently and the college faculty members are near their goal of \$1000.

All section leaders, division leaders, and solicitors will receive their last instructions at the rally, Ralph Harris and Betty Jane Drouse, co-chairmen of the drive, stated today.

Among those present at the rally will be a number of honored guests. Refreshments will be served by the committee in charge.

Cabin Party Slated For Next Weekend

The Penn State Christian Association will hold its next all-college cabin party at the CA cabin January 29, Jean Swartz, PSCA secretary, announced today.

It will be an overnight hike to the cabin. All students interested in attending the party are asked to bring blankets. Supper and breakfast will be served at the cabin. The students will leave Saturday afternoon and return the following morning.

At the present time the camp maintenance committee is refurbishing cabin equipment, painting the walls, and making new curtains. PSCA officials hope to have the work completed in time for the cabin party.

The CA cabin is on the side of Mt. Tussey overlooking Nittany Valley. It is a four-mile hike from the college. The cabin is above Shingletown Gap.

All summer the cabin was booked to capacity each weekend. The cabin's main feature is that it offers complete relaxation for those who want to take it easy for a day or so.

It has facilities for feeding 65 and lodging 40 persons. On each cabin party goes a cook who prepares the meals. A small fee is charged of each student making the trip so that the food may be paid for upon return.

SCM Conference Scheduled By CA

Penn State will play host to six Pennsylvania colleges at an Area 5 conference of the Middle Atlantic region of the Student Christian Movement March 24 to 26.

Representatives from all six schools will take part in the discussion entitled "Religion Off the Shelf." Claire Weaver, PSCA cabinet member, is chairman in charge of arrangements. Assisting her are Betty Funkhouser and Lois McCool.

The conference is an inspirational leadership training meeting for college students interested in church and Christian association work.

Roy McCorkle, a member of the national staff of American Friends Service Committee, will be the main speaker at the gathering. Also present at the conference will be important Christian leaders from the East.

The colleges which will send representatives to the conference are Bucknell, Juniata, Bloomsburg State Teachers, Lock Haven State Teachers, Susquehanna, and Mansfield State Teachers.

A similar conference was held at Wooster College recently. Claire Weaver attended and represented Area 5.

Picture Pamphlet Planned By Christian Association

A six-page, three-color picture pamphlet describing the PSCA in action during wartime will be printed in the near future, Miss Virginia Thompson, publication chairman, stated this morning.

The pamphlet will be colored red, white, and black. It will include pictures of students singing, students having a conference with the executive secretary, worship services, servicemen dancing, cabinet members, and a number of other subjects.

All pictures in the little booklet were taken by Henry Forrest. The written matter was handled by Mrs. Thompson and James T. Smith, executive secretary.

PSCA Finance Canvass Co-Chairmen Ask Students, Servicemen To Support Drive



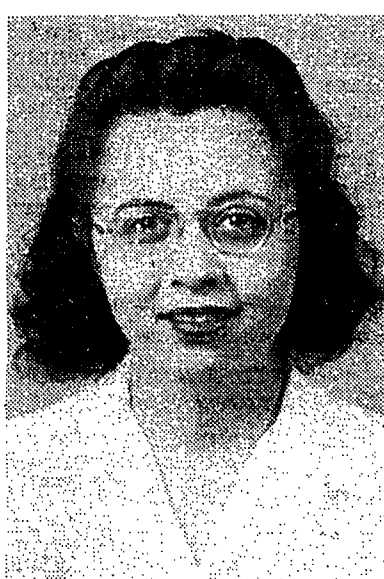
Ralph Harris

"It is the duty of every Penn State student and serviceman to support the PSCA finance campaign, Ralph Harris and Mary Jane Drouse, co-chairmen of the drive, stated yesterday when interviewed.

Harris pointed out that if the Christian Association is to carry out its proposed plans for 1944, it is absolutely necessary that the finance drive turns out to be a success.

"The Penn State Christian Association is the oldest student organization on the campus. It deserves to receive your fullest cooperation in the campaign which begins Saturday," asserted co-chairman Drouse.

"Although the drive figures may seem staggering, the amount is small in comparison to the service the PSCA offers to students and servicemen," concluded Harris.



Betty Jane Drouse