

# With The Editor

It would be nice if one could blame John L. Lewis and his striking coal miners for the lack of heat in the Pollock Circle Dormitories but that isn't the case.

Splinterville boys, returning from the Thanksgiving vacation Sunday night, received a very cold reception.

Perhaps the College has some reason for not having a merry blaze going in each and every furnace. The fact remains: the boys came back and spent a cold and shivering night.

The biggest difficulty seems to be the present system of firing the furnaces. At eleven p. m. the fire is banked and isn't touched until the next morning—after the dorm residents get up.

Banking a fire may be accepted practice in substantial, well-built structures. But the chinks and drafts are too numerous in Splinterville manor. Three blankets and a coat aren't quite enough to keep warm under such conditions, but a lump of coal occasionally during the night would help.

Miami was never like this.

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## Collegian Gazette

All calendar items must in at the Daily Collegian office by 4:30 p.m. on the day preceding publication.

### Tuesday, Dec. 3

WRA BADMINTON club, White Hall gymnasium, 6:15 o'clock.

WRA EXECUTIVE board meeting, White Hall, 6:30 o'clock.

WRA OUTING club meeting, 2 White Hall, 6:45 o'clock.

PANHELLENIC Council meeting, 418 Old Main, 7 o'clock.

WRA BRIDGE club, advance group, White Hall game room, 7 o'clock.

PENN STATE club meeting, 321 Old Main, 7 o'clock.

AMERICAN Association of University Professors meeting, 219 Electrical Engineering, 7:30 o'clock.

PENN STATE Flying club meeting, PiKA House, 8 o'clock.

PHI MU ALPHA meeting, 201 Carnegie Hall, 8:30 o'clock.

### At The Movies

CATHAUM: "Three Wise Fools," Margaret O'Brien.

STATE: "The Verdict," Peter Lorre.

NITTANY: "Step By Step," Lawrence Tierney.

### College Health Service

Admitted to the infirmary November 26: Robert Gerber.

Discharged November 26: William Cassidy, Ray Emory, Margaret Linley, Arthur Whittier, Robert Yeagley.

Discharged Wednesday: Robert Gerber, Warren Fetterolf.

Admitted yesterday: Frank Delp, Hilbert Noel.

There is an old adage concerning the advisability of whipping a tired horse. Students who use artificial stimulation, prior to examinations, of excessive amounts of strong coffee, Nodoz or Caffeine Tablets, are surely whipping that old tired beast. This type of stimulation results in a short-lived brilliance followed by a depression of thought processes which are frequently responsible for the individual not writing on his examination papers, in coordinated fashion, the knowledge he has of a given subject. You lose when you prod with artifacts.

DR. HERBERT GLENN, Director

### College Placement Service

DEC. 5—General Electric Co. will interview graduating men from the following curricula: BE, ME, IE, metallurgy, chem, chem eng, and physics.

General Electric Co. will also interview graduating men for possible appointment to their Business Training Program.

DEC. 11—New York, Chicago, & St. Louis Railroad Co. will interview senior civil engineers and graduating senior architectural and E.E.

# 'Half-Truths'

Half-truths—one of the most dangerous of unfair propaganda techniques—was demonstrated again in the last issue of Collegian in a story headed "Russia Dominates Poland; Freedom Rules Denmark."

The story, written by a student of the College who visited in both countries this past summer, pretends to be impartial. The net result of the article, however, is to paint as black a picture of Russia as possible.

The greatest single wrong committed by the writer was to overlook all mention of the comparative forms of government and standards of living in Poland and Denmark, both now and before the war.

There never was any possible comparison between the two countries. For centuries the people of Denmark have been wealthy, well-educated, and progressive, and have lived under a constitutional monarchy. Poland, on the other hand, has been a morass of poverty, illiteracy, and backwardness, under a feudal system of government. To blame Russia, who now controls Poland, for all these wretched conditions is to disregard ten centuries of history.

The second wrong committed in the story was to base it almost entirely on information from only one type of informant. The writer does not speak Polish: His material for the story came from people in Poland who spoke English. These people were almost entirely from either the educated class who would resent a dictatorial form of government under any nation's rule, or from Poles who had once lived in America, and had gone back with their pile.

Naturally these people are bitter at the Soviets for penalizing capitalistic enterprise and confiscating accumulations of wealth. Had the writer been able to talk to a few peasants who now own a few acres of land—ones who had owned none under a feudal Polish lord before the war—his attitude might have been different.

Another slam at Russia comes when the writer tells of eating cake and ice cream one afternoon and finding out later that this was "illegal" on that day of the week. This hints at the existence of rationing, but does not make clear the strict ration program needed to feed a starving people and an occupying army. Eating ice cream there on Thursday was no more illegal than was driving your car to the movies in the United States during gas rationing, or eating meat on Tuesday in Canada during the war.

Prejudiced articles, partial facts, and half-truths will not help any toward achieving co-operation with Russia in world affairs or influencing world peace.

Frank D. Davis

Of course, Mr. Stone was in Poland and Denmark this summer; Mr. Davis spent the summer in State College, studying European history.

## Edit Shorts—

A recent copy of "Capitol News," a weekly clip sheet covering department of the Pennsylvania State government, pointed out that Pennsylvania is the leading state in the production of electric power; that Pennsylvania is the leading road builder in the Union.

We anxiously await the day (and it doesn't appear to be in the near future) when the "Capitol News" will be able to talk about Pennsylvania being the leading state in so far as its educational program is concerned.

If it's any consolation to those who feel that Penn State doesn't get enough national publicity, it might be pointed out that on page 26 of the current issue of Time (under National Affairs—the Presidency) it reads, "Then, as a raw wind swept off the river, Army veteran Harry Truman watched the Navy lose to Penn State."

Big Inch and Little Inch pipelines.

### STRIKE TOPICS

Senator-elect Joseph McCarthy of Wisconsin suggests that Lewis and the four-hundred-thousand miners be drafted into the army and ordered to produce coal.

There is more labor trouble brewing in Oakland, California, where a general strike has been called for early tomorrow morning. Union leaders have called the general strike as a protest against police action in escorting merchandise trucks through AFL

picket lines at two Oakland department stores.

PARIS—A scientist has expressed the view that atomic power may become a serious competitor to coal in the United States by 1955. The scientist, Dr. Arthur Compton, says atomic energy is a strong possibility in the future if political difficulties do not intervene. Compton is in Paris, where he made an address at the Sorbonne.

Compton also defended the use of atomic bombs against Japan in the closing days of the war.

## CLASSIFIEDS

All classified advertisements must be in by 4:30 p.m. day preceding issue. Prices are: 40c for one insertion, \$1.00, three insertions, 17 words or less. Call Collegian, 711.

LOST—Kappa Alpha Theta pin; name on back. Joyce Parker, Theta House, 4926.

LOST—Before Thanksgiving, necklace of carved white beads. Sentimental value. Call 3117.

LOST—Navy leather flight jacket, taken by mistake Wednesday Sparks. Name plate on front Wade Kemerer. Call 4979. Sentimental value.

'35 OLDS FOR SALE; convertible coupe; heater; perfect motor. Call Beutner, 4951, A K Pl.

FOR SALE—18-foot house trailer installed at Windercrest. Immediate possession. Inquire at Dr. Galbraith's office or 715 A Windercrest.

FOR SALE—Keuffel-Esser Log Log Decitrig Sliderule, practically new; \$15. Ted, Rm. 34, Dom. 6 Pollock Circle.

FOR SALE—Two Tuxedos; size 34, single-breasted with vest; size 37, double-breasted with vest. Call 4083.

WANTED—Boy to share room with two fellows. 216 West College. Call 4125.

Since 1943 all campus roads, driveways and certain farm roads have been a part of the State Highway system.

The School of Physical Education and Athletics was established by the new athletic policy adopted by the trustees in June 1930.

### THE DAILY COLLEGIAN

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## 2 From College Named Judges at Farm Show

Dr. Winona Morgan and Miss Mildred Larson, both of the Home Economics department at the College, will serve as judges of the Farm Kitchen Products exhibit at the 1947 Pennsylvania Farm Show in Harrisburg.

Miles Horst, agriculture secretary and chairman of the farm show commission, said that home-made bread, pies and cakes will be missing this year from the exhibition because of the sugar and shortening scarcity.

Exhibits of canned fruits and vegetables, canned meats, dried fruits and vegetables, jellies as well as exhibits of women's and children's clothing, mending, rag rugs and curtains will be held.

## Prince Amhad Moayeri Visits State College

State College had a royal visitor over the weekend.

He was Prince Amhad Moayeri of Persia, and he was accompanied by the Persian consul to the United Nations conference, Mosham Esfandiary, and Mrs. Esfandiary.

The Prince and his consul plan to return to State College Dec. 12 to spend two days hunting.

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## Late News—

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cluded of participating in the theft of one-million-five hundred thousand dollars worth of gems. Military authorities say part of Durant's trial will be held in Washington or Chicago.

WASHINGTON—Secretary of the Interior J. A. Krug told a House committee that emergency plans have been made to carry natural gas from Texas to the East within six days through the