

Pistol Expert Claims Gun Faulty; Defense Says Shooting Accidental

By Stephen Sinichak

"It would be utterly impossible to pull back the pistol slide, release it and fire it accurately," said J. R. Mattern, small arms expert for the defense, in his testimony during the Galloway trial yesterday.

Final summaries will be presented by the prosecution and defense this morning, with the case going to the jury for consideration soon thereafter.

The pistol expert took the stand yesterday afternoon as Galloway's counsel prepared their defense claiming accidental shooting.

The .32 calibre pistol, said Mr. Mattern, is so defective through age, wear and tear that "it might produce a malfunction at any attempted shot."

Pistol Unsafe

The defense witness, who disassembled the weapon completely during the time he was on the stand, explained the many possibilities that could cause the gun to fire accidentally. He also remarked that the pistol was "entirely unsafe and should never have been loaded."

Galloway resumed his chair on the witness stand early yesterday morning and was decisive in his testimony that the fatal shot was fired from the center of the trailer instead of the far end as two sworn statements and a dictaphone record indicate.

Cross examination of the defendant by District Attorney Willard was based on attempts by the prosecution to show that Galloway made threats to shoot "all his girl friends."

Just a Joke

"Yes, I made the statement that I was going to shoot all my girl friends, but it was all a joke," said Galloway in answer to the accusation and to the amusement of the court room.

Galloway accused the police of pushing the gun into his hand and taking pictures, the afternoon following the tragedy, and presenting them in court as a re-enactment of the shooting.

In answer to his counsel's question about Police Chief Jubba "pushing" him into camera range after leaving Squire Hart's office that same afternoon, the defendant said he apparently was "steered" by Jubba for the action

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Late AP News

Courtesy Radio Station WMAJ

NEW YORK—United Nations delegations seem resigned to the fact that the current UN general assembly session will reach no conclusion on world disarmament. Authoritative sources say that the result of a Russian statement issued at a secret meeting of a drafting committee on disarming. These sources say the Soviet Union refused a compromise on world troop census and disarmament offered earlier by Assembly President Paul-Henri Spaak of Belgium.

TEHRAN—In the Persian capital, Iranian army headquarters made an announcement yesterday about the semi-autonomous province of Azerbaijan. The headquarters says the provincial council has accepted the Persian government's demand that security forces supervise coming elections.

CARACAS—Bombs were bursting in the South American republic of Venezuela yesterday. Insurgents apparently tried to capture President Romulo Betancourt and his cabinet in a move to overthrow the year-old Betancourt regime.

One bomb aimed at the presidential palace fell wide of the mark. Another bomb missed a hotel in Maracay, where American women and children were staying, and where a group of 12 United States newsmen and members of a United States military mission were breakfasting.

WASHINGTON—An Army plane is due here today with two Americans accused of having broadcast Nazi propaganda over Radio Berlin—Douglas Chandler and Robert Best. A justice department official says they will be arraigned on treason charges.

SU Desk Will Take Cap and Gown Orders

Invitations and announcements for graduation must be ordered at the Student Union desk tomorrow, said James Sheehan, senior class president.

Each graduating senior will receive three tickets to the graduation exercises when he picks up his cap and gown at the Athletic Store. Invitations which are purchased will have nothing to do with admittance.

Cap and gown orders will be taken at the same time and place as the invitations. A \$5 deposit, which will be returned when caps and gowns are taken back to the Athletic Store, will be made at that time.

Receipts obtained when ordering caps, gowns, and invitations must be presented when calling for those items.

X-GI's Dance At Rec Hall

"Watch Your Step" the X-GI club dance which is free to members, will be held in Recreation Hall from 8:30 to 12 o'clock tomorrow night. Admission is restricted to club members.

Pat Patterson and his campus band, featuring vocalist Mollie Geise, will furnish the music for dancing at the Friday the Thirteenth affair.

Ralph Lewis, membership chairman, says that veterans might yet become members of the X-GI club at the Student Union desk in Old Main before the dance and enjoy this social privilege. The membership fee is \$1 per school year.

"Watch Your Step" is being financed through proceeds from last month's "Sweater Hop", sponsored by the club.

Fred S. Barrouk is general chairman for "Watch Your Step." Robert Marsh is publicity chairman.

Seven Students Receive Awards in Ag School

Seven students in the School of Agriculture have been selected for scholarships and awards for the 1946-47 year, according to Dr. M. L. Odland, chairman of the School's committee on awards.

Jonathan Ray Bickel was named to receive the Alan Nutt memorial award of \$25 given by the family in honor of Lieut. Alan Nutt, a student at the time he was killed in World War I.

Miss Anne Buganich receives the Harriet Searle Watts memorial scholarship for a woman student in the School of Agriculture. Interest on a fund determines the amount, which this year is \$30.74. Miss Buganich is a junior in agronomy.

Maurice V. Green wins the \$100 of the Boys' Working Reserve of Allegheny County Award, a prize restricted to students taking the two-year course in agriculture.

Samuel W. Laub, a junior, gets the Arthur C. Bigelow memorial scholarship of \$100 awarded annually to the student showing outstanding ability in sheep husbandry.

Two enrolled in the two-year course in agriculture receive \$50 of the Two-Year Agriculture Class awards. They are Dwight A. King and Carl F. McKee.

Howard J. Saylor received the W. Atlee Burpee award of \$100 for the upper classman showing the most "promise in continued constructive work" in vegetables or flowers. Saylor, a seventh semester student in horticulture, becomes the second student ever to win this award at the College.

The Borden award, going to Robert Louis Holtzinger, a senior in dairy husbandry, has previously been announced.

Two Days Remain to Fill Christmas Drive Quota

Still Hope

A check with Student Union reveals that there are still approximately 200 tickets available for the Saturday night performance of "No Kick Coming." This is contrary to the rumor that the sellout was complete for both nights. However standing room will be sold Friday night, for both performances, according to Ted LeFevre, assistant business manager.

In order to reach the goal of \$450 for the annual WSGA Christmas Drive, \$329.19 will have to be collected from the student body today and tomorrow.

Several of the women's living units have made final reports, Atherton, NW making an increase over last year's collections. Highest contributors so far are McAllister, Atherton NW, Atherton NE, and Watts.

Since 1926 the women of Penn State have assisted several institutions and groups with their Christmas gifts. In a majority of the years, contributions have been divided among three institutions: the Mifflin County Children's Aid Society, the American Women's Hospital, and Mrs. Hetzel's Emergency Fund. Last year a total of \$550 was divided among these groups and the United China Relief.

For many adopted children in Mifflin County this Christmas might be a dreary one without the toys, clothing, and little spending money that will reach them because of gifts from coeds through the Children's Aid Society. Letters from these children indicate the need for provision of more than just the bare necessities of life.

Gifts from coeds will also carry on the work of clinics of White and Negro mothers and children in the southern highlands of this country, including the maternity shelter and child health programs installed in Greenville county, South Carolina.

AAUW Fetes Senior Women At Coffee Hour

Senior women who will graduate in February will be guests of honor at the American Association of University Women at the traditional Christmas Coffee Hour in the Home Economics foyer at 7 p.m. tonight.

An informal program will include carol singing under the chairmanship of Mrs. Hummel Fishburn, several numbers by the Ten Tones from the State College High School, and refreshments. The AAUW wishes to acquaint prospective women graduates with the purposes and activities of the club since they will become eligible for membership upon graduation.

Any woman who will graduate in February and who has not received an invitation should contact Mrs. Donald W. Davis, according to Miss Edith Geuther, AAUW publicity chairman.

A Thanksgiving Festival was held last month by AAUW to entertain guest students from foreign countries. A dinner and roundtable discussion of impressions of the American school system were included in the program.

Ellen Steidle Dies in Hospital

Mrs. Ellen May Girsham Steidle, wife of Dean Edward Steidle, of the School of Mineral Industries at the College, died yesterday afternoon in the Geisinger Memorial Hospital, Danville, following an illness of two months.

Born in Rangoon, Burma, in 1896, Mrs. Steidle was graduated from Allegheny College, Meadville, in 1914 with a bachelor of arts degree. After teaching school for two years, she became a metallographer with the U. S. Bureau of Mines during World War I. She did the first metallographic work on aluminum.

At the end of the war, Mrs. Steidle equipped and started the metallographic laboratory of the at New Kensington. She held a Aluminum Company of America Fellowship at the Mellon Institute of Industrial Research in Pittsburgh until her marriage on July 20, 1920, to Dean Steidle, then professor of mining engineering at Carnegie Institute of Technology. They moved to State College on July 1, 1928.

Mrs. Steidle was a member of Kappa Alpha Theta sorority.

In addition to her husband, Mrs. Steidle is survived by two sons, Captain Edward Steidle is serving with the Corps of Engineers, United States Army, in Germany. Howard, who served as a lieutenant during the war, is enrolled at the College as a senior in the curriculum of mining.

News Briefs

La Vie Staff Meets

La Vie Senior and Junior Art staff members are asked to meet in 223 Engineering F at 7 o'clock tonight and to bring all work with them, Seymour Rosenberg, La Vie Editor, said today.

Christian Science Lecture

Member of the Christian Science Organization at the College are sponsoring a lecture on "Christian Science: Its Revelation of the Kingdom Within" by Clayton B. Craig, member of the Board of Lectureship of the Mother Church in Boston, Mass. The lecture will be held in 121 Sparks at 3 o'clock Saturday afternoon, and is open to the public.

Home Ec Tea

The Home Economics Club will hold its annual Christmas Tea for all home economics students and faculty members in the Northeast lounge of Atherton Hall from 3 to 4:30 p. m. Saturday.

Communion Breakfast

The Newman Club is sponsoring a communion breakfast at the Alhacrest at 9:30 a. m. Sunday. Tickets priced at 85 cents are on sale at Student Union or may be purchased from any club officer.

Ad Honorary Initiates

John C. Calhoun, John Corbett, Donald Shaner, Baylen H. Smith, and Harry L. Winand were initiated into Alpha Delta Sigma, national advertising honorary at a recent meeting. Harry Hawkins, national advertising manager of the Philadelphia Evening Bulletin, and Robert Van Slambrouck, instructor in journalism at the College, were also initiated.

Journ Honorary Plans Annual Christmas Smoker

Sigma Delta Chi, national men's journalism honorary, plans to have its annual Christmas smoker from 7:15 to 9 p.m. Monday at the TKE house.

Chet Smith, sports editor of the Pittsburgh Press, will be guest speaker at the affair. Mr. Smith, who is one of the best in his field, will talk and answer questions on sports.

Another highlight of the evening will be a showing of movies of the Penn State-Navy game.

Invitations have been sent out to all male journalism students.