

Look To See

The tide of doubt concerning newspaper propaganda swells. The consensus is that newspaper publishers willfully distort the truth in order to present a biased, prejudiced picture to the people who read the paper. Those who doubt, those who speculate, even those who distrust completely, may present good arguments, good examples, and good opinions. Here is the other side of the story.

The human element is as prominent in a newspaper as in most other businesses and business activities. Just as Mr. Stone in a recent Collegian feature article cast his vote anti-Russian and Mr. Davis in a subsequent issue voted pro-Russian, so newspapers are anti-Russian or pro-Russian, Democrat or Republican, big business or labor.

What then can be done to find the truth? The answer seems so obvious that this writer wonders why even Mr. Rabold, whose anti-pink letter to the editor appeared in Tuesday's Collegian, did not see it. To obtain a well-rounded picture of the day's events, Mr. Rabold, try reading several newspapers a day. Try, for example, The New York Times, the Philadelphia Inquirer, and the Daily Worker one day, and alternate with the Centre Daily Times, the Philadelphia Record, and your home town newspaper. If you are really ambitious you might try In Fact once in a while, and listen to several radio news programs.

The purpose of this program of newspaper reading is to give you the different approaches to the questions of the day. You certainly cannot gain a broad outlook on any situation by reading a Hearst newspaper every day. Nor can you look at all sides of a question by reading only the Sapulpa Herald. If you earnestly want to find the truth, Mr. Rabold, you can find it by keeping your eyes and ears open, by weighing different news programs, by evaluating the reports pro and con which now come out of foreign countries, and by intelligently facing the situation rather than giving up in despair because, as you yourself admit, you are prejudiced against Russia.

This is certainly not a plea to students to throw away their firm convictions about Russia. This is merely a plea for students to take the time to understand Russia and her policies, indeed international policies, in general, by more extensive research.

Look and ye shall find the truth. The idea is to keep your eyes open while you are looking.

Marilynn H. Jacobson

Letters

Artists Course Programs

TO THE EDITOR: It would be of great benefit to those attending the Artists' Series to have a program printed at least several days in advance of the program if possible. For those who may not have tickets to the entire series, we are sure that one story about the artist and one story containing the program he is to present would be more incentive to buying a single ticket rather than one or more stories about the artist with no mention of what he is to perform.

Sincerely,

Guy Woods
Elizabeth D. Reynolds
Pat Lamade

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Collegian Gazette

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

Friday, Dec. 13

ALL-COLLEGE student-faculty tea, Old Main balcony, 3:30-4:30 o'clock.
XI SIGMA PI meeting, 103 Forestry, 4:00 o'clock.
CAMPUS CENTER Club Christmas party, 405 and Hugh Beaver Room, Old Main, 8:30-12 o'clock.

Sunday, Dec. 15

CHRISTIAN Science lecture, 121 Sparks, 3 o'clock.
NEWMAN Club business meeting, 121 Sparks, 3:30 o'clock.
IWA tea, Northeast Atherton lounge, 3 to 4:30 o'clock.

Monday, Dec. 16

4-H CHRISTMAS party, 304 Old Main, 7 o'clock.
SIGMA EPSILON SIGMA meeting, 104 Mineral Industries, 7:45 o'clock.
ISC meeting, Penn State Club room, Old Main, 8 o'clock.

At The Movies

CATHAUM: "No Leave, No Love," Van Johnson—Today, tomorrow and Monday.
STATE: "Dark Mirror," Olivia deHavilland—Today, tomorrow and Monday.
NITTANY: "Smoky"—Today. "Sunset Pass"—Tomorrow. "The Strangers"—Monday.

College Health Service

Admitted to the infirmary Wednesday: Joseph Salatka.
Admitted yesterday: Jane McCormick, Thomas McGuire, Michael Oleyar, Robert White.
Discharged yesterday: John Bowman, Ed Czekaj, Edna Myers, Robert Ogden, Santo Rizzo, Maurice Segovia.

With The Editor

... to the seven men who wrote the "Presumptuous" letter in yesterday's Collegian... and others interested in the workings of All-College cabinet.

All-College cabinet claims no "mandate to say they represent the general views of the Penn State student body."

They have been given the privilege of speaking for the student body by the students themselves who elected them representatives.

The seven men who signed yesterday's letter, pretending to be hurt because there had been "absolutely no information dispersed whatsoever," misrepresented the facts. It was one of their number (in a discussion with the editor) who admitted that he had asked the Sophomore Class president to bring the matter before the All-College cabinet. He knew the night of the meeting; he had been invited to attend that meeting since he had a "vested interest" in the outcome—but for some reason he could not attend that All-College Cabinet meeting. Nor did he bother to ask any of the others to attend in his place to make certain that All-College cabinet heard the case properly.

Cabinet meetings have been held regularly all semester. Anyone can attend. Why was it then that they did not call the attention of cabinet earlier in the semester to the convention?

The Sophomore class president notified cabinet of the forthcoming convention. In view of the shortness of time preventing a general election (which can be blamed on anyone who knew about the convention and failed to notify cabinet—and these seven men seem to know what was and is going on at other campuses), it was suggested that delegates be appointed.

In 1942, the last time such a conference was held, All-College cabinet had expressed no interest. This 1946 cabinet realized the worthiness of such a conference, however.

President Foote asked for nominations. There were 23 members in cabinet; there were non-cabinet members also present who could have offered suggestions. Four people were nominated. No additions were made. President Foote then asked if more nominations were forthcoming (so that final selection of delegates would have been put off until last night).

Still none of the non-cabinet members present objected. The four nominees were therefore approved.

These seven men say that "on this campus there has been absolutely no information dispersed." The editor sees some of them nearly every day yet not once did they seek him out with their story. Were they content to let the other guy do something? And then climb upon All-College cabinet because it wasn't done their way? They certainly made no attempt to bring their news into All-College cabinet.

President Foote does not pretend to know the opinions of every student on campus. For those who feel that they have suggestions to make, President Foote has asked that their points be outlined and left in his name at Student Union Desk before Christmas vacation begins.

Every suggestion will be duly considered and a full report of the delegates' actions made at All-College cabinet.

The Editor

Letters

Wouldn't It . . . ?

TO THE EDITOR: Wouldn't it be more satisfactory to more, far more, of your readers if you limited the space you now give to the breast-beating self-styled liberals and let us have more of the news?

Curious

By Any Other Name . . .

TO THE EDITOR: I would like to put in a word here for one of America's fastest growing and most popular sports, and for the organization which has arisen to foster organized competition and to raise standards of play. I am referring to table tennis and the United States Table Tennis Association.

An article in Tuesday's Collegian concerning the tournament sponsored by the Hillel Foundation and other articles about the IMA Tourney have referred to them as "ping pong" tournaments, for the Collegian and the general public, here are a few facts and a plea for correct usage of the name of the sport:

The accepted, official name of the sport is table tennis. "Ping pong" is a trade name for equipment being made by one large manufacturer. To call table tennis "ping pong" is as incorrect as to refer to baseball as "Spalding" or perhaps "Louisville Slugger." The USTTA stresses the use of the term table tennis and definitely frowns upon "ping pong."

Therefore, for the sake of being accurate and correct, and in an effort to boost a popular, healthful and worthwhile sport, may I suggest that campus organizations, the Collegian and the public apply the proper name—table tennis—when that sport is referred to.

Sincerely yours,

Howard Back

• This week's "Capitol News," clip sheet covering departments of the Commonwealth's government, informs us that Pennsylvania manufactured more ice cream in October than any other state in the union.

The clip sheet also loudly brags that the Pennsylvania Department of Highways stands second in the nation in the matter of improved roads exceeding two lanes in width. . . . Pennsylvania still tops the list of states with the mileage of three-lane pavement.

But we are still waiting for the Commonwealth to report that its State College is the largest and best in the Union.

Faculty Members Cited In 'Who's Who In America'

Twenty-three active members and 14 retired members of the College staff were cited in the 1947-48 edition of Who's Who, an annual publication containing biographical information about contemporary persons of importance in America.

The active faculty members mentioned were Harold F. Aiderfer, professor of political science; Chesleigh A. Bonine, head of department of earth sciences; Grover C. Chandlee, head of department of chemistry; Wheeler P. Davey, professor physics; R. Adams Dutcher, head of agricultural and biological chemistry; Merrell R. Fenske, professor of chemical engineering; Alfred W. Gauger, head of the department of fuel technology; James E. Gillespie, professor of history; Harry P. Hammond, Dean of the School of Engineering; Ralph D. Hetzel, president of the College; William S. Hoffman, registrar of the College; Frank D. Kern, Dean of the Graduate School; Lyman E. Jack-

son, Dean of the School of Agriculture; Pauline B. Mack, director of the Ellen H. Richards Institute; Warren B. Mack, head of the department of horticulture; Carl E. Marquardt, college examiner; Bruce V. Moore, head of the department of psychology; Willard P. Lewis, college librarian; Mason Long, Professor of English literature; Edward Steidle, Dean of Mineral Industries; Marion R. Trabuc, Dean of the School of Education; Frank C. Whitmore, Dean of the School of Chemistry and Physics; Jonathan W. White, professor of soil technology.

Retired members of the staff mentioned were W. G. Chambers, William S. Dye, Harold A. Everett, Stevenson W. Fletcher, Earnest Forbes, G. D. Gardner, George R. Green, W. R. Ham, T. I. Mairs, Asa E. Martin, David F. McFarland, Charles C. Peters, Charles W. Stoddart; and R. L. Watts.

Vets Notice

All veterans under both laws at the College who have submitted a subsistence problem to the local campus office of the Veterans Administration during the course of the last month and have received their subsistence, either in part or in whole, are urged to report that fact to the VA office immediately. A penny post card with name, "C" number and Public Law notation will be sufficient or phone 2517.

Senate Committee Asks Code Change

A second meeting of the Senate Committee on Student Welfare is scheduled for next Tuesday at 4 p.m. in the Trustees' room in Old Main to complete formulation of a new fraternity dating code.

At a meeting held on Tuesday the committee did not reach complete agreement as to what the code should contain.

Faculty members on the committee are Dr. H. S. Brunner, chairman; Arthur R. Warnock, secretary; Miss J. G. Brill, Dr. A. J. Currier, Professor A. F. Davis, Seth W. Russell, Dr. Pearl O. Weston, Dr. Herbert R. Glenn, Mrs. A. K. Anderson, and J. O. Keller, assistant to the President.

The four student members of the committee were Mary Louise Waygood, president WSGA; John F. Lloyd, president IFC; James Sheehan, senior class president, and Robert Foote, all-college president. Also present was S. T. Watkins, chairman of IFC code committee.

Because of an increased demand and a temporary break in the paper shortage, additional copies of the Christmas issue of Froth have been secured and placed on sale at Student Union and the Corner Room.

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