

Professor and Motorcycle Tour Twenty-one Countries

By David I. Adelman

A bicycle meant too much work. An automobile meant too much money. So Professor M. Nelson McGeary, political science department, got on a motorcycle that he had driven only once before, and began a world tour touching 21 countries before it ended.

Travel Bug Bite

"I had the travel bug like a lot of other people," Professor McGeary said, "and in 1933 I decided to do something about it. I took a year's leave from RCA, (I wasn't always a professor) and went sight-seeing."

Being Scottish, Professor McGeary made his first stop in Scotland. From there he went to England, and then with the motorcycle loaded on a tanker, he traveled third class across the channel to France. During his tour the professor went to France and Germany three times, staying away from all the places tourists usually flocked to. "Just to be different," he said.

Crowds Hear Hitler

Professor McGeary landed in Germany for the first time three or four months after Hitler came to power. What impressed him there, he said, was the size of the "hepped up" crowds that came to hear the German fuhrer speak. Some of Hitler's listeners brought periscopes so that they would not be prevented from seeing him by their numerous countrymen.

As early as 1933, Professor McGeary received indications that Europe was already expecting the second world war. Traveling from Naples to England in the same cabin as ten other passengers, representatives of China, England, Japan, and Switzerland among others he found the discussion to not, if, but, who, would line up when the next war came.

Situation in Palestine

In Palestine, Professor McGeary came across a situation comparable to the disrupted one that exists there today, but with the British force, pitted against the Arabs instead of the Jews.

His motorcycle broke down in the wilds of India, and Professor McGeary spent Thanksgiving, and three more days in a Dak bungalow, slightly less than the equivalent of the worst American tourist camp. He stayed there until someone came along able to speak English well enough to direct him to the nearest railroad.

Medical Care for Indian Women
"Some of the Indian women," Professor McGeary said, "worked a pretty shrewd racket. Just before they knew themselves about to give birth, they bought passage on one of the river boats for approximately fifteen cents. Once they were aboard, and their time came, the ship's doctor was compelled to take care of them."

Before leaving India, his motorcycle was set aflame by a native who was attempting to drain the gas from it into an open lamp. Professor McGeary was unable to have the motorcycle repaired until he reached San Francisco.

Completes Trip

After the necessary repairs, he completed his world tour by cycling across the United States.

Based on what he'd seen on his trip, Professor McGeary said that he had predicted the advent of World War II, but that he'd incorrectly guessed at its birthplace.

"I found the Japanese to be extremely bitter about Russia," he



DR. M. NELSON McGEARY

ROTC Department Seeks Enrollees

All students desiring enrollment in the Advanced Reserve Officers Training Corps for the fall semester, should file applications as soon as possible, Col. Ben-Hur Chastaine said yesterday.

Courses to be presented are Infantry, Engineers, Signal Corps and Air Corps.

Applications are now available in 101 Carnegie Hall for Ground Forces training, and 104 for Air Corps.

Students who had previously filed applications but who were not formerly enrolled are required to submit a new one. Former service men must bring a copy of their discharge to the ROTC department if credit for the basic elementary course is desired.

Col. Chastaine stated that the deadline for formal enrollment will be April 15.

IFC Council Sponsors Bridge Tournament

Interfraternity Council will hold an IFC duplicate bridge tournament on March 28.

Two-man teams may register on March 23, 24, or 25 at Student Union. Entry fee for each team is one dollar, and each fraternity may enter as many teams as it wishes. A trophy will be awarded to the winners.

IFC decided, at a meeting Wednesday, that IF Ball will be semi-formal.

Senate Committee Awards Scholarship

Recommendations of the Committee on Academic Standards for the Class of 1922 Memorial Scholarships have been approved by President Ralph D. Hetzel and the College Senate.

The eight students winning the awards are Rose A. Wilson, senior; Dorothy L. Sherwood, Alice M. Shade, juniors; Helen L. Wilcox, Leroy A. Weidner, Jr., Genevieve Taras, Marjorie A. Riley, and Helen E. Dickerson, sophomores.

said, "and thought that when war broke out, it would be between those two countries."

March Engineer Features History of Subways, Map of State College

The March issue of Penn State Engineer will go on sale Monday, according to Herbert Locke, publicity manager.

A double page map of State College will be featured in the issue with a story on synthetic detergents by Raymond Bodecker.

Also included will be "Past and Present of Subways," by James Roberts, and an article on local Army ROTC by Raymond Bodecker.

Telephone lists, alumni news and talk of the campus are added features.

Copies will be available at the Corner Room and Student Union.

Leibig Chemical Society Elects Widner President

Carl Widner was elected president of the Leibig Chemical Society at a reorganization meeting.

Other officers elected were Patricia Ludorf, secretary; Joseph Slakai, treasurer; and Paul Berg, Ag. Student Council Representative.

Committee chairmen appointments include: Howard Chershire, publicity committee; Frank Cleaver, program committee; and Stanley Eisman, social committee.

Dr. R. Adams Dutcher, Agriculture-Biochemistry department head, spoke.

Fond of Doughnuts? Poultry Husbandry Grad Sells Hundreds Daily

Selling doughnuts at the rate of 100 dozen a day is an interesting job, according to Wesley Turek, a recent graduate of the College. Although he was graduated from the College with a B.S. in poultry husbandry, September, 1946, Turek turned to selling doughnuts.

"This isn't a brand new idea of mine," declared Turek. "I have been thinking about something like this for a long time, but this is the first opportunity I've had to make it work. I liked State College and wanted to settle down."

Turek specializes in selling doughnuts with fancy names. Cinnamon-sugared, chocolate-covered, honey-dipped glaze, powdered-sugar, and even plain doughnuts are arrayed on his counter. Going all out on St. Patrick's Day, Turek flavored his doughnuts with mint.

Turek's automatic doughnut-maker can turn out doughnuts at the rate of 35 to 45 dozen an hour.

While a student at the College, Turek was president of the X-GI Club and a member of Parmi Nous and Lion's Paw. At the present time, Turek is busy with his family, which includes his wife and 18-week-old son.

Henninger Discharged From County Hospital

G. William Henninger of State College, who was found unconscious near the Branch road to Shingletown Monday morning, was discharged from the Centre County Hospital yesterday.

He was taken to the hospital Monday morning for treatment for frost bite of the knees, feet and elbows and head injuries.

ASME Sponsors Writing Contest

A contest open to all members of the student branch of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers to select a paper for the national A.S.M.E. contest will be conducted in 107 Main Engineering on April 10, according to Professor J. Doolittle of the mechanical engineering department.

Penn State, one of the 15 schools competing, will send its winning contestant from this district to the national A.S.M.E. contest held under the auspices of Villanova College in Philadelphia on April 17. Prizes of \$10, \$5, and \$2.50 will be awarded by the local branch. National prizes, except the \$50 for first placing contestant, have not been announced.

Papers should be on any technical subject, about 15 minutes in reading length, and suitable for presentation before an audience of technical background. The student may use slides, diagrams, or other devices for illustration and should be thoroughly familiar with his topic, able to answer all questions fluently.

Professor Doolittle cites, as an example of subject material, a student who is drawing upon his army war experiences in map work and aerial photography. He suggests that non-winning sophomores and junior students may extend work on their topics for entry in next year's national contest.

Students interested may contact Professor Doolittle in 201 Main Engineering.

Dean Remembers Beaux Art Ball

When told of plans for holding on April 12, the traditional Beaux Art Ball, Arthur R. Warnock, dean of men, said "I am glad to see a revival of this colorful affair."

"Back in the years before 1939," continued Warnock, "when this costume ball was held annually, everyone made a desperate effort to get themselves a costume, and some architects and artists occasionally went dressed in smocks with a ring of berries around their heads."

This dance, sponsored by Scarab, architecture fraternity, and Pi Gamma Alpha, art honorary, brought comments from William Hoffman, College registrar. He remarked about the elaborate student decorations and student-made costumes. This year he told of a couple he knew who were planning to go as a horse.

David A. Campbell, assistant professor of engineering drawing, also had many recollections on Beaux Art dances. They used to be held in the Armory, he said, and the scenery was made by Scarab Fraternity members. The last dance, in 1939, was built around the Mardi Gras theme, and the costumes were very elaborate.

Dr. Florence Taylor, associate professor of elementary education at the College, will attend the annual meeting of the Middle States Council for the Social Studies to be held in Philadelphia today and tomorrow.

CLASSIFIED SECTION

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 - Ronson lighter. Initials "RY". Old Main Monday morning. Call 3468. Rocky.

SPACE available for several boarders at Beaver House. Call 851.

'35 OLDS convertible. \$275. Phone 4329 after three p.m.

WANTED - Ride to Pittsburgh or Butler, Pa., April 3rd. Call Bud Cohn, 4933.

LOST - Black and gold Schaeffer pen; engraved John Crosby. Call 237 Atherton Hall.

FOR SALE - Unused Log Log duplex decitrig slide rule. John Hall, 2294.

FOR SALE - One unused slide rule. Call Mahaffy, 881.

FOR SALE - Set of golf clubs - 8 irons. Inquire 313 Windcrest.

SINGLE ROOM for rent; second floor. 234 South Pugh St.

LOST - Black Parker fountain pen near Hort Bldg. Monday afternoon. Call Anne, 2742.

LOST - My glasses and case, between Ath. and New Physics. Need them desperately. Call Mary Alice, 325 Ath.

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