

College Activities Halt PSCA From Reaching Full Goal

By Ralph Temples

It was the day after the Pitt Weekend and an hour before the Victory Pep Rally. Being a little tired I decided to go up to PSCA's Hugh Beaver Room in 304 Old Main, grab a soft chair, possibly play a few records, and just take it easy for an hour.

As I walked in something made me pay particular attention to a sign which was recently posted on the bulletin board. It says "Our purpose: To provide an open fellowship of Penn State students and faculty, organized to deepen their spiritual life thru worship, study, and action—to keep as our objectives the teachings of Christ but welcoming into the organization people of all faiths."

At that time my mind was incapable of tying in how the sixty-odd projects undertaken each year such as the Student Handbook, Religion-in-Life Week, and the Marriage Institute go towards fulfilling that purpose. Too, I was thinking more of that restful chair in the Hugh Beaver Room.

Just about the time I sat down, in walked James Smith, general secretary of the PSCA. "Ralph", he said, "what are we going to do about this finance drive?" "The reports still aren't coming in too well, Jim?" I asked.

Time Factor

"No", Jim went on to say, "I thought we were selecting a good time this year for the drive, but evidently not. During the ten days set aside for the drive (November 10-20) there were blue-books on top of bluebooks and the Navy Weekend. Then during the week's extension of the drive there was Pitt Weekend and a football holiday."

"To date only about 50 percent of the student goal of \$4200 has been turned in, and most of the division leaders haven't completed their reports. In one section there has been no report at all."

"Jim", I said, "do you think it is just that students aren't con-

tributing, or that they haven't been contacted?" "I believe", he replied, "that its mainly that solicitors have had so much football and bluebooks or their minds that they just let the drive go temporarily. The drive is being conducted just as in past years, and the students have never failed to give generously."

Cabinet Needs Money

"The Student Cabinet has to have the money if it is to carry out the year's plans", he continued. The week after Thanksgiving we will make another appeal, and now that football season is over maybe our drive will go over."

Then someone called Jim to the phone, and as he left I thought to myself "What a pity it would be if 8400 students didn't raise \$4200 as their share of their campus Christian Association's annual expenses. Suddenly realizing I was one of those 8400, I knew we could and would raise the money."

Chemistry Society

In a talk before the Liebig Chemical society recently Dr. Robert W. Stone, professor of bacteriology and director of penicillin research at the College, told of difficulties British scientists had trying to interest American firms in penicillin production before 1941.

Dr. Stone also elaborated on work done at the College on penicillin research. He told also of the discovery of the structural formula of penicillin and present research.

Club Plans Movie For Needy Groups

To help supply needy State College families with food, the Common Sense Club is sponsoring a movie to be shown in one of the local theaters 10 a.m. Saturday, December 13, and for which cans or packages of food will be the admission charge. Eleanor Kelley, publicity chairman, said today.

This Christmas project was decided upon after a survey disclosed that in 1946, 47 families, representing 215 children, in the vicinity of State College, were living on the barest subsistence level. These families with an average of 4.6 children each, earn about \$35 a week.

The survey found that of the \$35 the family earned a week, \$20

Concert Band-

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Frank Fair, Jack Reen, and Clyde Shive.

Baritone include Richard Criswell, Elmer Learn, Joan Blasey, and Richard Heck.

Trombones, Homer Savige, Ken-

was used for food, said Miss Kelley. In most of these families the father is the only provider and many of them have seasonal jobs thus being unemployed part of the year.

"On the basis of these facts, Common Sense Club is taking on this project of supplying some food to these needy people in order that the money ordinarily spent on food may be transferred to clothing, rent, medical care or recreation," Miss Kelley said.

neth Hill, John Zora, Samuel Samuel Bongardner, John McKean, Darrell Rishel, Rex Norton, and George Pyle.

Basses, Charles Peet, Wayne Rockwell, Allen Baker, John Puntton, William Barwis, George Lewis.

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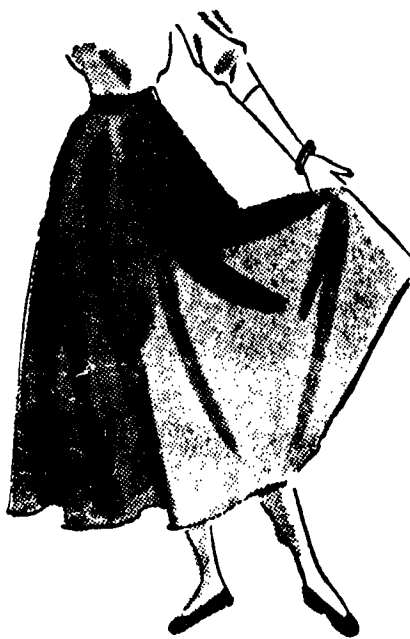
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