

Letters from the Editor's Mailbox

ROTC Head Opposes Policy

TO THE EDITOR: In your "Editor's Mailbox" of Tuesday, 16 December, you published an anti-Universal Military Training statement from the "Policy Committee, American Veterans Committee" which demands a few questions.

1. Was this statement prepared by a local, national or international "Policy Committee?"
2. If local committee, why do not the names of the committee members appear as in other articles published in this column?
3. If national or international, what are the names of the persons who actually have drawn up this statement?
4. Until we know who those persons are and whether they possess the knowledge to pass upon a subject of such magnitude, is their statement worth anything in comparison with the statement from the distinguished members of the President's Commission which is diametrically opposed in all counts?
5. Should the readers of the Collegian have such statements thrust at them in bold-faced type without having the statement authenticated to show knowledge of the subject?
6. Can any part of this "Policy Committee" statement be substantiated by facts?

7. Is this Policy Committee statement from a source unfriendly to our United States of America as it exists under our Constitution?

These are things about which we are all gravely concerned. A reply to all these questions in the columns of your valuable paper will be greatly appreciated.

—Ben H. Chastaine
Colonel, Infantry

● The AVC's letter stated the reasons for its opposition to Universal Military Training. Some of them were that UMT does not offer protection in a total war, that conscription has never been a war deterrent, and that UMT would detract from the efficacy of the United Nations.

Answering the Colonel's questions, the letter was prepared by the policy committee of the local chapter. Names of the committee members do not appear because of AVC policy of group responsibility for statements. Colonel Chastaine may obtain the names from the chapter chairman, Leo Troy.

The AVC statement should be taken for what it is worth—an expression of opinion. The Collegian's letter column is open to all who wish to express an opinion. It is not necessary that they be either distinguished or experts.

The policy committee bases its statement on expressions of men like Hanson Baldwin, military expert of the New York Times, and Dr. Oppenheimer, former head of atomic bomb development, according to Dr. Alfred G. Pundt, chairman of the group.

In reply to question seven, a group of men who served their country in the armed forces during the war can scarcely be called a "source unfriendly to our United States of America." All 467 members of the local AVC chapter are veterans of World War II.

Ed Student Council Report

TO THE EDITOR: The newly reorganized Education Student Council would like education students to know exactly what it has accomplished in its first month of existence as their representative organ.

In order to get student opinions and ideas, suggestion boxes have been placed in the Home Economics, Burrows, and Sparks buildings, for student use. Two suggestions have already been acted upon—one, asking for campus patrolmen to be on duty in the Home Ec building area at night, was taken to the Campus Patrol who stated that the area is patrolled from 8 p.m. on every night. A suggestion from an industrial education student concerning the need for more industrial arts teachers in that department is in the hands of a special committee to investigate the matter.

Student-faculty mixers in the education school are being planned as a regular function of the council. In addition, the council is investigating the possibility of backing a proposed psychology club and is working on plans for faculty rating scales to be used similarly to those sponsored by the liberal arts council last year.

The best way for students to participate in the council's work is to use the suggestion boxes freely, and offer ideas and criticism which may be acted upon by the council.

—The Education Student Council

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The Critics Say —

CATHAUM—
"My Wild Irish Rose"—today, tomorrow, Saturday and Monday.

Herald-Tribune: "Does not exactly bloom . . . at least gives off a mild fragrance of pleasure."

Variety: "Solid entertainment out of what might have been a rather routine story."

STATE—
"Something in the Wind"—today and tomorrow.

Variety: "Plot is on the thin side but sufficient backing for the music and laughs . . . added value of Donald O'Conner clowning."

Time: "Quickly sinks into a welter of movie cliches."

"The Exile"—Saturday, Monday and Tuesday.

Time: "Designed chiefly for Tarzanics of actor Douglas Fairbanks, Jr."

Variety: "To much time is consumed in reaching its exciting stages."

Trustees —

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standing by itself, where traffic problems could be simply handled, ready to house the finest in music, the theater . . ."

Fred Waring was a student at the College for four semesters, then left to devote himself to music. Mr. Denton, the other new trustee, graduated from the University of Kansas.

Ridge Riley, executive secretary of the Alumni Association, termed the appointment, "very wise, because Fred has prestige, loyalty and interest in the College and is an extremely good business man. He will bring the College prestige because of his prominence."

Louis H. Bell, director of Public Information, called Waring, "an excellent businessman, although many people do not realize this."

Thomas J. Lannen, all-College president said in connection with the appointment, "It's very good because he is more closely associated with young people and he will know what they need."

Bible Fellowship

The Penn State Bible Fellowship elected the following officers Friday night: president, Lloyd Byers; vice president, Don DeHart; secretary, Dorothy Fowler; treasurer, Horace Glover.

Lost or found — you don't need a blood hound. Use the "Collegian Classifieds."

Umbrella Salesman Has 'Beachy' Idea For Class Gift

Blue and white beach umbrellas for the golf course is the latest suggestion for the Senior Class gift.

The suggestion was made to the Gift Committee co-chairmen, Edmund Koval and Donald Mitchell, by, oddly enough, the local distributor for a beach umbrella concern.

"I've heard several people say that it would be nice if the College golf course had beach umbrellas. The Senior Class would be the ideal ones to buy the umbrellas," the representative stated.

"I'm sure the College would cooperate by furnishing the holes," he added.

Koval and Mitchell stated that since the committee is impartial to all suggestions, the idea will be considered at the next Senior Class meeting.

"However, we understand there are already 18 holes on the golf course that we could use," they emphasized.

Influenza Threatens

There is considerable evidence that there may be an epidemic of influenza in the spring, said Dr. Herbert Glenn, director of the College Health Service, and students are reminded that it is not too late for inoculations.

The new FM-1 factor found to be responsible for certain area epidemics last spring is now included in the inoculation, said Dr. Glenn. There will be a charge of 50 cents for the vaccine.

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College Calendar

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

Thursday, January 8

- ORGAN Recital, Services, 4:15 p.m.
- CENTER Club, 417 Old Main, 7 p.m.
- WORLD Student Service Fund Planning Committee, 418 Old Main, 7 p.m.
- PSCA Dancing Club, 304 Old Main, 8 p.m.
- INTERNATIONAL Relations Club, NE Atherton Lounge, 7:30 p.m.
- HILLEL Governing Board, Foundation, 7:15 p.m.
- SOCIETY for the Advancement of Management, Hotel State College, 7:30 p.m.
- INDUSTRIAL Society, 120 Dairy, 7 p.m.
- LIEBIG Chem Society, 105 Frear Lab, 7:30 p.m.
- GRANGE, 100 Hort, 7 p.m.
- HAT Society Council, 415 Old Main, 9 p.m.
- FRONT Senior Editorial Board, Office, 6:45 p.m.; Junior Editorial Board, 111 CH, 7:30 p.m.
- SIGMA Tau, 100 EE, 6 p.m.
- ALCAEDERS, Methodist Church Primary Room, 6:30 p.m.

At the Movies

Cathaum—My Wild Irish Rose.
State—Something in the Wind.
Nittany—Unholy Garden.

College Hospital

Admitted Tuesday: Eric Rude, Paul Waterman.
Admitted Wednesday: Gerak Huber.
Discharged Wednesday: Robert Bustin.

Placement Service

National Supply Company, January 12 eighth semester men, C&F, A&L, ME.
Sears, Roebuck and Company, January 13, eighth semester men, C&F, A&L, Ed.
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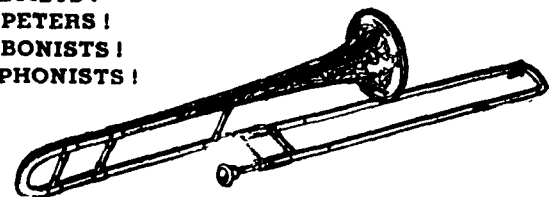
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