



Is Stalin Dead?

Two Swiss newspapers sent a big question mark flying over the world today, and preceding the question mark were the words, "Is Stalin Dead?" There was little indication, however, as to where the Swiss papers may have received any reports of the death of the Russian leader.

More TNT Seized

A shipment of 85 thousand pounds of explosives has been seized on a farm at Wall Township, New Jersey, and eight men have been arrested. A county prosecutor says he is fairly certain the load of explosives is tied up with a shipment of TNT seized last Saturday on a pier in New Jersey. The TNT had been destined for Palestine.

Two Appointments Made

President Truman made two important appointments today, General Laurence Kuter as Allen, now ambassador to Iran, to the job of strengthening the "Voice of America" broadcasts. Allen's official title will be Assistant Secretary of State for Public Affairs. The other appointment today was that of Major General Laurence K. Kuter as head of the Civil Aeronautics Board to succeed James M. Landis.

Food Prices Raised

The Bureau of Labor Statistics reports that wholesale food prices went up another two percent last week. The new raise carried food prices up to a peak of 164 per cent of the average in 1926.

Air Crash Victim Found

The body of the eighteenth victim of yesterday's air crash near Savannah, Georgia, has been found in the wreckage of the plane. The body, that of a man, is unidentified. Nine persons injured in the crash are still in Savannah hospitals.

NSA Regional Convention Names Brown to Office

Harold E. Brown, fourth semester lower division student at the College, was elected vice-president in charge of international affairs of the Pennsylvania Region of the National Students Association at its constitutional convention here December 21-23.

The convention, attended by 165 delegates from 46 colleges of the state, adopted a constitution patterned after the principles of the NSA, but including an even stronger statement against racial discrimination.

Milholland Opens Meetings
The convention was opened by greetings from James Milholland, acting president of the College. Harris Gilbert was elected coparliamentarian of the conference and led the discussion of student government structures. Thomas Lannen, all-College president, spoke on student government before the opening plenary session.

Penn State was designated to investigate and integrate plans for arranging student travel tours abroad, because of the presence here of Dr. J. Paul Selsam and Prof. John H. Ferguson, both of whom have conducted student tours.

Foreign Panel Controversial
The panel on international activities, in the most controversial debate of the session, adopted a recommendation to confine activities to educational fields, directly affecting students, rendering the organization non-political.

The domestic activities panel set up a student government clinic at Bryn Mawr College to work within the NSA in offering aid in establishing and guiding governments in the state.

Provisional officers of the region delegated to continue until elections in June include Ted Harris, La Salle, president; Robert Troxell, Penn State, vice-president; Karen Knaplund, Bryn Mawr, secretary, and Harry Reitz, Bloomsburg, treasurer.

Other elections included William Heckler, Temple, vice-president in charge of domestic affairs; and Ralph Smith, Swarthmore, publicity director.

Petty Girl, Burrometer Give Weather Details In MI Building

Among the many exhibits on display at the Mineral Industries Building, is a cleverly disguised "Petty Girl." This chemically treated piece of femininity charmingly indicates the present moisture condition of the air. When it is dry she has the "blues" and when moist she is in the "pink." A "Burrometer," another feature in this collection, tells weather by its tail. When the tail is casting a shadow you can rest assured that the day will be a sunny one, but beware of the wet swinging motion on some days, for this indicates an approaching storm.

Reserve Officers Hear Van Zandt

James E. Van Zandt, representative in Congress from the 22nd Congressional District, will address the Centre County chapter of the Reserve Officers Association in 3 Carnegie Hall at 8 o'clock tonight.

A member of the House Committee on Armed Services and of the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy, Mr. Van Zandt will speak on Universal Military Training and other legislation pending before Congress.

The College chapter of the Reserve Officers Association has been extended an invitation for the talk. Lt. Col. Franklyn Fry, president, said. Members of other local veterans organizations have also been invited.

Dormitory Brickwork Now Under Construction

Steelwork for the two women's dormitories, now under construction at the College, is all but completed and brickwork has started, Frank L. Else, office manager for Henry E. Baton, Inc., Philadelphia contractor, reported today.

The dormitories, which will provide accommodation for 1000 women, are being built and furnished at a cost of \$6,000,000.

The progress schedule was delayed from 35 to 40 days by the lack of steel, Else said, but pointed out that since the steel arrived, much of this delay in schedule has been made up. The work will continue through the winter months, except in stormy weather.

Braucher Leaves Staff

S. C. Braucher, part-time instructor in political science, will resign his position at the end of this semester to assume duties as Chief of the Bureau of Statistics in the Department of Internal Revenue, Prof. John H. Ferguson, head of the political science department, said today.

Coed Elopes With Army Cadet Long Romance Brings Wedding

From Washington comes the news of the elopement last June of Sue Hall, fifth semester education student at the College, and Donald Goldstrom, reserve end on Army's football team.

The couple were "steadies" at Langley High in Pittsburgh and were married June 5, 1947. They kept the marriage a secret until this winter but decided to tell their parents over Christmas vacation.

It seems they have the approval of everyone but the War Department. West Pointer Goldstrom has

Banquet Honors Unbeaten Lions

Cabinet Backs Co-op Mass Meeting

Artist Series Stars Brice

Carol Brice, Negro contralto, will be the star at the next performance of the Artists' Course in Schwab Auditorium at 8 o'clock on Monday and Tuesday nights.

Miss Brice has appeared as soloist with some of America's outstanding musical organizations



such as the Boston Symphony, the Kansas City Philharmonic, CBS Symphony, and the Pittsburgh Symphony; sung in recital in major cities; and had her own radio program over a major network.

The program will include "Il mio bel foco," Marcello; "Lungi del caro bene," Sarti; "Danza, danza, fanciulla!" Durante; "Im Fruhling" and "Im Herbst," Robert Franz; "Seligkeit" and "Der Erlkonig," Franz Schubert.

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NY Pastor Speaks In Sunday Chapel

Rev. James H. Robinson of New York will speak in chapel on Sunday.

Reverend Robinson was born in Knoxville, Tennessee, but was reared in Cleveland, Ohio. He graduated from Lincoln University as valedictorian of his class with an A.B. degree. He received the B.D. degree from Union Theological Seminary and during his senior year was class president.

He is chairman of the West Harlem Council of Special Agencies, chairman of the International Fellowship of Greater New York, member of the National Board of Directors of the NAACP, member of the executive commission of the National Council of the Student Christian Association, chairman of the Committee for Interracial Voluntary Hospitals, and a member of the Advisory Committee on Negro Affairs for the Presbyterian Church Extension Faculty of Columbia University.

Trustees Receive Plan; Committee Augmented

All-College Cabinet last night voted to hold an educational mass meeting to promote the student cooperative store movement. Sharp debate featured discussion of the amendment to substitute the word "educational" for "protest" in the original motion. The amendment passed, 10-7, with one abstaining.

Emory Brown, Cabinet Co-Op Committee chairman, reported that the plan for the co-op has been sent to all members of the Board of Trustees so that they may have time to consider it before the meeting January 24. It was pointed out that the entire Board is meeting at that time, and that only the Executive Committee has previously considered the measure.

Cabinet's committee has been augmented by representatives of several other campus organizations (Continued on page three)

Talent Show Head Sets Tryout Hour

Tryouts for the All-College talent show being sponsored by the Penn State Club have been officially set for 405 Old Main at 2 p.m. Sunday, Fred Peruzzi, publicity chairman of the club, said today.

Students scheduled to participate in the tryouts are asked to be present at the appointed hour. Prospective entrants are requested to bring their own sheet music and if possible supply their own accompanist. However, the club will have an accompanist available if one is necessary.

Ten or twelve qualifiers for the show will be selected from approximately 16 students who have indicated they will try out. The successful finalists will be notified by phone early next week.

The show has been definitely set for the night of January 16 in Schwab Auditorium. Tickets will go on sale at Student Union desk in Old Main early next week. For those who do not get their tickets in advance, sales will be made at the door the night of the performance.

Woman Correspondent Lectures on Palestine

Journalist and foreign correspondent Ruth Karpf will lecture at the Hillel Foundation, 133 West Beaver avenue, at 8 p.m. Sunday on the subject "No Peace for Palestine," sponsored by the Brandeis Society.

Miss Karpf, a native of Palestine, has traveled extensively through Europe and Asia. Recently she has been with the Overseas News Agency and has returned from an assignment in Europe where she cabled back a series of articles on the basic forces at work on the continent.

At the age of 25 Miss Karpf has already received international recognition. She is listed in "Who's Who," served as consultant to the Office of Strategic Service in the Middle East and Dutch East Indies, and has had articles published in many papers and magazines.

Educated in the Hebrew University in Jerusalem, London University, and the New School for Social Research in New York, Miss Karpf received the background for her work as a correspondent.

Foreign news and what it means to people is Ruth Karpf's specialty. In conflict-torn Jerusalem she began her early writing covering the marked events in the city of contrasts at the age of 16.

Speakers Include Bell, Harlow and Sutherland

Golden periods of Penn State grid history—1947 and 1912—will be honored and remembered in Rec Hall Monday evening during the ceremonies following the Commerce Club-sponsored testimonial dinner for the unbeaten Lions.

Upon presentation of AA books, approximately 3000 students will be admitted to the balcony section at 7:15 p.m. to attend the presentation of awards to the gridders and speeches by four of the nation's outstanding coaches.

Other Glorious Days

Harvard's Dick Harlow, one of the speakers and a former Nittany griddler and coach, is known for his reminiscences of other glorious days of the World War I period and particularly of 1912, when the last unbeaten and untied team was produced. After playing on the untrampled but once-tied squad of 1911, he served as assistant coach from 1912-1914, and as head mentor from 1915-1917.

Serving in both world wars, Harlow was also assistant coach from 1919-1921 when the Nittany-men played 30 straight without being crushed.

Other speakers to pay tribute to the Cotton Bowl team are Matty Bell, SMU coach, and Jock Sutherland, helmsman of the Pittsburgh Steelers and former coach of Pitt's Panthers. Sutherland is substituting for Steve Owen of the New York Giants who was scheduled to participate but was yesterday appointed to a rules committee (Continued on page three)

Senior Invitations

Invitations and announcements for the January graduation have been received and may be picked up at Student Union this afternoon and tomorrow morning, Edmund Koval, committee chairman, stated last night.

Receipts must be presented at the desk in Old Main from 2-4:30 o'clock today and 8-12 o'clock tomorrow, Koval added. No new orders may be taken at this time.

News Briefs

Senior Eng Students

There will be a lecture for all senior Engineering students in Schwab, 4:10 this afternoon. Walter C. Richter of Landis Tool Co., Waynesboro, Pa., will speak on "The Right to Work."

LA Student Council

The Liberal Arts Student Council will meet in 127 Sparks, 7 p.m. Sunday. All members are urged to attend.

Government Conference

The Intercollegiate Conference on Government will meet in 118 Sparks, 3 p.m. Tuesday, to form plans for a regional conference to be held here next month. Everyone interested is asked to attend.

Chess Exhibition

A 30-board simultaneous chess exhibition by George Koltanowski, World's Blindfold Chess Champion, will take place in the North East lounge of Atherton at 2 p.m. Saturday. Spectators are welcome.

Sophomore Meeting

There will be a meeting of the Sophomore class in 121 Sparks, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday. Ted Allen, class president, stated last night. An agenda of the meeting will be published in Tuesday's Daily Collegian.

IWA Meeting

All members of IWA are requested to come to the regular meeting in 104 Temporary, 7 p.m. Monday, to plan a box lunch social for the men of Nittany doms. Please bring dues not yet paid.