

Spy Hunt Turns To Army Base

WASHINGTON — The Congressional spy hunt turned toward the Norden bombsight and a civilian who is supposed to have given information about it to Russia in 1938. The information is rumored to have leaked out of the Army's proving ground at Aberdeen, Md., where the civilian is supposedly still on the pay roll. The House Committee on Un-American Activities hopes to question the individual as a witness later this week.

Chinese Crisis

WASHINGTON — A State Department official said yesterday that the United States intends to keep clear of the present crisis in China, but that our policy has not changed. This may be an indication that Madame Chiang Kai-Shek has failed in her attempt to obtain financial aid for the Nationalists.

Meanwhile, there were rumors of peace negotiations under way in China. Reliable sources in Nanking said that Chiang's top advisers have asked him to quit so others could try to make peace with the Communists.

Ruhr Agreement

LONDON — Six western powers may be nearing agreement on who will control the Ruhr industries in their London conference. The final agreement is expected to provide for an international commission, but without Russia, to control the Ruhr.

Dean Remarks On Picketing

Although the outcome of the NAACP's boycott and picketing of State College barber shops is difficult to predict, Dean Arthur Warnock remarked last night in an interview, its purpose in dramatizing the issue on racial discrimination has been accomplished.

Warnock stated on his WMAJ broadcast on Tuesday night that the town and campus are buzzing over it, and much of the buzzing is angry, bitter, and antagonistic.

Boycott Back-fires

"As a method of promoting tolerance, under standing and goodwill, this boycott has back-fired." However, he continued, "Underneath all this bickering and bad feeling, there has been a lot of hard thinking. Many citizens have thought harder about the fundamental question than ever before."

Although Dean Warnock stated that he did not know what the solution to the problem would be, he remarked that any likely solution would be a compromise or rather an accommodation of views.

"No party to the controversy could be expected to bat a thousand per cent. That is not the way problems and controversies are settled in a democracy," concluded Warnock.

Werner's Opinion

In regard to the present agitation, William L. Werner, professor of English literature, said in his column, "Bookworm," in the Centre Daily Times, "To us the present agitation about barber shops seems an attempt of the students to put into practice what they learned in sociology about racial problems, what they learned in history about pressure groups, what they learned in English composition about argument, what they learned in ethics about justice, and what they learned in or out of schools about loving their neighbors."

"For two long years the local organization CORE tried to solve this problem by politeness and persuasion. The time for politeness is past, and the NAACP has moved in, large, powerful, and determined. Many of their members were drafted to fight for democratic rights and they expect to go on fighting till they die."

Last Issue of Year
Tomorrow's issue of the Collegian will be the last before Christmas vacation. The next issue will be published January 4, 1949.

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Weather:
Cloudy and
Rain

Talent Sought For PSC Show

A campus-wide search for all kinds of talent is being conducted by the Penn State Club in preparation for a talent show sometime in the near future.

No deadline has yet been set for applications by singers, dancers, instrumentalists, comedians, magicians, and others interested, but those wishing to compete for the cash prizes to be offered are urged to leave their names, addresses, phone numbers, and descriptions of their acts at the Student Union desk.

Auditions, announced Ernest Sladics, PSC president, will be held early in the new year. Accompanists will be furnished entertainers when required, but any props or music must be furnished by the contestants.

The following committees and their members have been appointed: talent and ticket, William Betler, William Bowser, Arnold Gasche Jr., Robert Gebhardt, Emerson Jones, and Kenneth Miller; publicity, Robert Eysing, Edgar Degraeve, Ralph Hazzard, Philip Jones, William Manus, and Fred Peruzzi, chairman; stage, Fred Attinger, William Schiele, and Harold Shipley; mimeograph, Robert Bensing, Ralph Hazzard, and John Solyan.

Plaque in Sparks Quotes Plato's 'Apology'

Have you ever wondered about the meaning of the Greek words on the plaque in the lobby of Sparks building?

The literal meaning of the Greek is, "The unexamined life is not worth living for a human being." It is taken from Plato's Apology of Socrates.

It was chosen as a motto for the School of the Liberal Arts by Dr. Robert Dengler, head of the classical languages department. For years Dr. Dengler had told his classes in the Apology that if he could choose a motto for the Liberal Arts School, this would be it.

When Dean Charles W. Stoddard suggested that Dr. Dengler find a suitable Greek inscription for the plaque before Sparks was erected in 1938, he had his chance to put his idea into action. Dean Stoddard had thought that there might be some difficulty in finding a suitable quotation, but he was mistaken.

Dr. Dengler believes the words mean that the life without conscious self-examination with a view to self-improvement is not really a human sort of existence.

Rain, Sleet, Blasts at State; No Campus Accidents Reported

Old Man Weather threw everything but the sun and the kitchen sink at State College yesterday.

Rain began falling at 1:30 a.m. yesterday, changing to sleet about 5 a.m., and continued on through the day and night in various forms. The rain and sleet is expected to continue until late this afternoon. At one time or another these various types of precipitation pounded the State College area: rain, sleet, snow, and freezing rain, aided by a few gentle winds.

Throughout most of the day

the temperature was 32 degrees, which is just freezing, and this was one of the causes for the dangerous conditions that existed on roads and streets.

No Student Accidents

Campus Patrol reported no accidents on campus involving students and only one accident was reported in town. A driver struck a parked car on S. Allen street.

The highway department had 88 men and 13 trucks engaged in cinder roads yesterday. State College police reported that all intersections were being covered with cinders and urged motorists to proceed with extreme caution, especially when approaching corners with stop signs and traffic lights.

Buses on Time

Cross-state buses reported some difficulty on the highways, but all were reported to be running on time.

One Greyhound driver who arrived from Pittsburgh said that some automobile drivers were using chains on the hills toward Pittsburgh.

The Boalsburg and Johnson lines said that all their buses were able to meet schedules on time.

A spokesman for the weather bureau indicated that the rain and sleet will continue throughout most of the day with colder temperatures.

CA Conference Unites Leaders

A conference of over 15 national Christian associations will be held at Lawrence, Kansas, from December 27 to January 1 for the purpose of introducing undergraduate Christian leaders to the world church movement.

The conference is the first large officially sponsored inter-movement delegation of its kind in the country. Over 2,000 students and adult leaders, from all over the world will be represented.

"World Leadership — 1949" has been chosen for the conference theme. The PSCA has made available a limited amount of funds for the support of those students who are interested in going and cannot meet the requirements.

The deadline for applications to the conference is Monday, said George Earnshaw, conference committee chairman.

One among many of the outstanding leaders of the conference will be Dr. Elton Trueblood, who was a recent speaker at Chapel.

IFC Approves Spring Week

Realizing that Froth's original proposal for a "spring weekend" had snowballed into an all-college affair, Interfraternity Council voted last night to back the plans. George Chapman, IFC president, stated that he will present the entire Spring Week idea to All-College Cabinet tonight.

A tentative outline of the week, to be held in conjunction with the Pan-Hel-IFC. Ball scheduled for April 1, was presented by Robert Bossler, who investigated the original proposal.

A carnival, sporting events,

costume day, tug-o-war on College ave., parade, jazz concert and a houseparty for both fraternity and independents were some of the events outlined by Bossler.

Polling 284 students, the IFC committee set up to investigate the weekend idea found that 95 per cent of the students were in favor of a big week, and that the idea of an all-college carnival was the most popular suggestion of the 14 proposed in the poll.

The original idea for the big week at the college was proposed

Snow Flurries May Add Holiday Mood to Caroling

Winter weather will add a festive touch to the PSCA-sponsored All-College carol sing to be held tonight on the Old Main terrace, if the meteorology department's prediction of possible snow flurries holds true.

In case of rain, the program will take place in Schwab Auditorium, announced Walt Gabel, manager and master of ceremonies.

Traditional Hymns

Included in the program are the singing of the traditional Christmas hymns under the direction of Prof. Hummel Fishburn. Slides with words and music are being provided by PSCA. "Adeste Fideles," "O Little Town of Bethlehem," "Joy to the World," "The First Noel," "Hark the Herald Angels Sing," "It Came Upon a Midnight Clear," and "Silent Night" will be sung by the student body.

The chapel choir under the direction of Mrs. Willa Taylor, will present two numbers from their Christmas program: "From Heaven to High Earth I Fare," a very old Christmas melody harmonized by Herman Schein, who lived from 1586 to 1630; and "In Dulci Jubilo," a German Carol arranged by Pearsall. Russell Nickerson will give a trumpet solo in the first number.

Brass Quartette

Fred Hughes, Rex Norton, Donald White, and Rudy Yantitto will comprise a brass quartette accompaniment at the sing.

This will be the 26th annual All-College Christmas carol sing on the Penn State campus. The custom was started originally under the joint sponsorship of PSCA and the music department. In cooperation with PSCA for tonight's sing are the department of music and the department of the physical plant.

Food Probers To Give Report

The week-old Cabinet food committee will make its first report when All-College Cabinet convenes in 201 Old Main at 8 p. m. today.

William Lawless, All-College president, and Edmund Walacavage, All-College secretary-treasurer, are co-chairmen of the committee, which has met to decide what action will be taken, but has not disclosed what the action will consist of.

Cabinet also will vote on a proposed letter of inquiry on the selection of a president for the College, the letter to be sent to the Board of Trustees if approved.

The "keep off the grass" committee, appointed November 18, will report on steps taken to curb the use of shortcuts across campus lawns. George Bearer heads the committee.

College Offers Scholarships

Applications for seven scholarships now available must be filed by Tuesday, January 4. Dr. E. F. Osborn, chairman of the Senate Committee on Scholarships and Awards, announced today.

The scholarships are the John W. White; the Louise Carnegie, the Class of 1922 Memorial, the Helen Wood Morris, the Vance C. McCormick, Lieutenant Harry Edward Wagner and the Class of 1920 Scholarship Awards.

In addition, 15 other scholarships, fellowships and awards are available this year. They are the C. F. Barclay, Julia K. Hogg Testimonial, Judge Benjamin F. Keller Memorial, Klopp Prize, McAllister, Alan Nutt Memorial, Charles Lathrop Paek Foundation Forestry Prize, President's Prize, Rehab Club Memorial, George T. Rogers Memorial, Elizabeth Stuart Shattuck Memorial, Harold B. Shattuck Memorial, State Federation of Pennsylvania Women, Ellen M. Stuart Memorial, and the John W. Stuart Memorial.

Alumni to Sponsor Harrisburg Dance

The Penn State Alumni Association of Harrisburg is sponsoring a dance in the Penn-Harris Hotel ballroom from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. December 30. The traditional affair is open to all undergraduates and their friends as well as alumni. Thomas C. Zerbe, president of the Penn State Club of Harrisburg, said. Dress is optional.

PSCA Sponsors Radio Program

The PSCA will sponsor a 15 minute radio program, "Christmas on the Campus", over WMAJ at 7:45 p.m. tomorrow.

The cast includes Pat Woods, Marge Gorham, Carl Gerhart, and George Earnshaw. The script was written by Jackie Solomon and the show will be directed by Nancy Smith.

PSCA has been holding radio programs on the average of every two weeks this semester. The next one will be held January 13.

News Briefs

PSCA Dancing Class

PSCA Dancing Class will not be held today.

Photo Credits

Credit will be given where credit is due. The picture of the pickets in yesterday's Collegian was taken by Robert Hollis. Coleman Gainsburg took the one of Henry Varnum Poor.

Bible Fellowship

"The Virgin Birth of Christ" will be the subject of the Rev. Haik, Altoona School of the Bible, when he speaks to the Penn State Bible Fellowship in 405 Old Main at 7 p.m. tomorrow.

'Breeze' Tryouts

Tryouts for the editorial staff of Ag Hill Breeze will be held at the staff meeting in 103 Agriculture Building at 7 p.m. today.

Exam Conflicts

Conflicts in the final examination schedule must be reported to the scheduling officer in the Armory by Saturday noon. A conflict consists of two exams scheduled at the same time or three on the same day.