



Parcel Service Halted For Men's Dormitories

Residents of Pollock Circle and Nittany dormitories will be forced to mail all parcel post packages—including laundry kits—at the downtown State College post office beginning today.

The announcement was made Monday night at a joint meeting of the Nittany and Pollock Circle Dorm councils by William Gross, supervisor of men's dormitories.

At the same time the councils appointed a committee, headed by George Spida, to investigate whether it would be possible to re-establish the system previously in effect. Under this system, Nittany and Pollock Circle dorm residents could mail such parcels at Dorm 20, from where Gross had been delivering the parcels to the post office as a courtesy to dorm residents.

The decision by Gross to discontinue the service followed a reported investigation by a local businessman, who wished to perform a similar service for a slight charge.

Asked whether it was the policy of the College not to compete with private enterprise in this way, Samuel K. Hostetter, assistant to the president in charge of business and finance, told the Daily Collegian yesterday that he could not make a statement because he was unfamiliar with the situation.

Gross said that he had begun the service last fall, using a College truck for delivery of the parcels; he added that the truck was not insured.

Late AP News, Courtesy WMAJ

Rescuers Seek Tornado Victims

ARKANSAS, LOUISIANA — National guardsmen and other rescue workers are searching the wreckage caused in Arkansas and Louisiana by tornadoes which spun through the two states on Monday. At least 59 persons were killed and nearly 360 were injured by the twisting, high-velocity winds. About one dozen communities were hit by the tornadoes, but the most violent storm developed in a small lumber mill town, Warren, Arkansas. The Warren casualty list includes 54 known dead, and possibly 300 injured.

COMMUNISTS ARE SILENT

CHINA — The Communists seem to be blocking the Government's peace offensive with a wall of silence. On the Nationalist side, there are increasing demands for a truce and a negotiated settlement of the civil war, but the Communists have not given any indication of their attitude.

BADGER DENIES RUMOR

WASHINGTON — The commander of the United States Naval Forces in the Western Pacific, Vice-Admiral Oscar Badger, has declared that American forces are not being withdrawn from China. Admiral Badger said at Tsingtao that the rumors apparently were based on reports that American Marines had ended their lease on land where they maintained their barracks.

Food Committee Set For Double Attack

All-College Cabinet's food committee will attack the Nittany food problem on two fronts—financial and psychological—as the result of a special meeting last night.

Nittany and Pollock dorm representatives repeated their assertion that the chief question in the minds of the diners is how the income from the dining commons is carried out.

When further discussion elicited numerous specific complaints as to food service, the Cabinet group decided to have a questionnaire prepared, with the aid of experts, on which the men would have opportunity to express answers to definite questions.

William Lawless, All-College president and co-chairman of the

Chem Honorary Holds Initiation

Twenty-eight men were initiated into membership by the Mu Chapter of Phi Lambda Upsilon, the honorary chemical society, at a ceremony held prior to the Christmas holidays.

The initiation ceremonies took place in Walker Lab on December 16. Those received into membership were:

- John E. Benson, A. Eugene Blakeslee, Robert E. Caffrey, Webster Capps, Harold B. Clark, Frederick C. Dehn, Samuel E. Firestone, Arthur S. Gow, Robert A. Hollis, Harry A. Kohn, Raymond E. Kourtz, Joseph E. Kunetz, Seymour F. Kavin, Stanley W. Lasoski Jr., Harry Lawroski, John R. Martin, Victor J. O'Brien Jr., Edward F. Price, William D. Rice, Joseph R. Riden Jr., Floyd E. Romesberg, Keith D. Sheppard, Mark J. Smith, Penn F. Spitzer Jr., John M. Tome, Quentin C. Weaver, William A. Wilson, and James H. Worley, Jr.

Skating Awaits Colder Weather

Students at the College will have to wait for colder weather if they wish to skate on an artificial ice pond to be formed on the football practice field.

Walter W. Trainer, supervisor of landscape, construction and maintenance, said yesterday that efforts Monday night to lay a coat of ice on the practice field had been unsuccessful because temperature was not low enough.

Trainer said that a temperature of about 22 degrees was needed for water sprayed on the field, to freeze. Attempts to do this Monday night resulted in the water's seeping into the ground.

All-College cabinet had arranged for the forming of the ice pond by an agreement with the College, which will foot the cost of about \$400.

Haven't You Met Etaoin Shrdlu, Age 63?

Meet Mr. Etaoin Shrdlu, aged just 63. Remember him? Nine chances out of ten you've seen him before.

Shrdlu has been around now since 1885, when the Linotype machine (which is the little job that sets up the type you're reading) was invented. And for 63 years he's been hounding journalists from the editor of the biggest metropolitan journal to the lowliest printed rag. What's more, he just can't be gotten rid of.

Publicity Hound
Shrdlu is a publicity hound who loves to get his name in print, without benefit of capitalization most of the time.

Who is this guy, you ask? Well, search through the student directory in vain — he won't be listed. No Shrdlus are to be found in the telephone directory. In fact, as far as we're concerned, there is no Etaoin Shrdlu, and here's why.

Shrdlu an Error
Mr. Shrdlu appears in type through the carelessness of a linotype operator who, in the process of setting up a line of type, makes an error.

Now, the inner workings of a linotype are such that a line of type, or slug, cannot be dropped from the machine unless the line is complete. When the operator makes a mistake he fills up the rest of the line by running his finger down the first two vertical rows of keys on his machine, intending to throw out the line when it is dropped. Sometimes he forgets, the mistake goes by the proofreader unnoticed, and the two vertical rows of keys get themselves into print.

No Mastermind
It doesn't take a mastermind to figure out what the letters in the vertical rows are. You guessed it: e-t-a-o-i-n s-h-r-d-l-u.

So don't be too hard on the old guy when he turns up in the midst of a story you're reading. If you were a 63-year-old nobody, wouldn't you like some publicity too?

NAACP Halts Picketing Temporarily for Parley

Picketing of State College barber shops was "temporarily" discontinued yesterday to allow representatives of campus groups to confer with the barbers in a new attempt "to end the existing situation."

This action was decided upon Monday, at a meeting of the executive committee of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, said Jack Sirott, speaking for the group.

Prospective negotiators mentioned by Sirott include student leaders in All-College Cabinet, Penn State Christian Association and the Westminster Foundation, student society of the Presbyterian church.

NAACP undertook a boycott of town barber shops December 10, following the refusal by barbers to cut the hair of negro students. Negotiations at that time failed to end the discrimination.

Use Sidewalks, Urges Bearer

The time will come when students at the College will "become conscious of the damage caused by taking short cuts" across the lawns instead of staying on the campus walks, George S. Bearer, chairman of the cabinet Keep Off the Grass committee said yesterday.

"Let's not pass off this program lightly," he said, urging support for the Keep Off the Grass campaign; "let's walk where walks have been put."

Bearer announced that during the Christmas recess more "Wear Out The Walks" signs had been placed at appropriate spots on the campus.

"These are not attractive additions," he said, "and it is the desire of everyone else that takes pride in Penn State lawns—to have them taken down as soon as possible."

Bearer said that soon the "unsightly construction" would be completed and "Penn State will return to its former beauty. But until that day, let's preserve what we have—make it a habit to stay on the walks."

At a subsequent rally, numerous student leaders and faculty members endorsed the boycott and urged the student body to support it.

Previous plans called for a suspension of the picketing during Christmas vacation, with its resumption scheduled for this week.

All-College Cabinet last month adopted a resolution favoring NAACP's program, after William Meek, chairman of the College chapter of NAACP, appeared before the student government body.

Dorms Stretch Officers' Terms

A move to increase the term of office for officers of the Nittany Dorm Council was the main order of business at a meeting of the council Monday night.

Under a motion passed at the meeting, an amendment to the constitution would be made which would increase the term of office from one semester to a full college year.

A committee was appointed to draft the amendment and submit it to residents of Nittany Dorms for a vote. The committee members are Joseph A. Lane, chairman; Ralph S. Anderson, Jr., and Stephen J. Hryshko.

It was felt that such action would help to increase the efficiency of the organization. It would also afford the various standing committees that have projects a chance to carry them to completion.

The members also thought such a move would bring the functions of the council in close harmony with other campus organizations such as AIM and All-College Cabinet which are run on a yearly basis.

At present the most important projects now being handled in committee are the dining situation, the new recreational facilities, and a means of obtaining a source of income for the council.

McGeary Study Discloses Numerous Liquor Violations

About 20 per cent of all retailers of beer and liquor in Pennsylvania have been cited at one time or another by the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board for violations.

This was revealed today in a study only recently completed by Dr. M. Nelson McGeary, professor of political science at the Pennsylvania State College.

Dr. McGeary points out that the most frequent violations have been sales to intoxicated persons, permitting gambling, maintaining gambling, maintaining gambling devices, sales to minors, and permitting minors to frequent the premises.

24,572 Arrests

Dr. McGeary also points out that over a period of 12 years, 1935 to 1946, enforcement officers of the Board had made 24,572 arrests. The number of arrests fell below the average during the war years

and, according to the study, this resulted because the manufacture and sale of moonshine during that period was reduced to a minimum.

Most arrests are of non-licensees, such as bootleggers, who are criminally prosecuted before magistrates or in the county courts. Usually only about 15 per cent of the arrests are of licensees.

The Board's policy of making arrests varies according to the attitudes of district attorneys and judges in different counties, Dr. McGeary points out. In some counties, for example, the Board is discouraged from arresting licensees because of its inability to obtain convictions in the courts.

Violators Cited

Most licensees who are accused of violating either the alcoholic beverage laws or the Board's regulations are not arrested but instead are cited to appear before the Board to show cause why their licenses should not be revoked. If arrested, they usually are cited also, Dr. McGeary points out, since a license may be revoked by the Board whether the man is found guilty or acquitted in the criminal action.

News Briefs

Club 51

Dr. William Mather of the rural sociology department will speak on "Race Against Man" at the meeting of Club 51 in 304 Old Main at 7:30 p.m. today.

Religion Week Meeting

General committee for Religion in Life Week will meet in 304 Old Main at 8:30 p.m. today. The meeting is compulsory and all members are requested to come prepared with a report.

German Club Meeting

Next semester's officers will be nominated at the meeting of the German Club in 200 Carnegie Hall at 7:30 p.m. today.

4-H Elections

The following officers were elected at the January business meeting of Penn State 4-H Club: Carroll Hawes, president; Anne Dock, vice president; Robert Boyce, treasurer; and Ruth Knob, secretary.

Forestry Society

A lecture on Maine pulpwood operation will be given by Prof. Maurice K. Goddard, resident director of the Pennsylvania State Forestry School, Mont Alto, at the meeting of the Forestry Society in 109 Agriculture building at 7 p.m. tomorrow.

PSC Picture

Penn State Club members are requested to check the names on the club's La Vie picture, posted in 321 Old Main. Any questions should be referred to William Schiele, 206 E. College avenue, telephone 7017.

Track Candidates

Candidates for assistant manager of track should report to the balcony of Rec Hall any day after 4 p.m.

Alpha Lambda Delta

Old members of Alpha Lambda Delta will meet in the dean of women's office at 6:30 p.m. today.