

# The Safety Valve

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### Sitting Pretty?

TO THE EDITOR: In reply to Mr. Ralph E. Spiker's letter "Means and Ends" I would like to say this.

First of all, before you go blowing your stack I suggest that you find out all about the principles and policies of the R.O.T.C. training program.

Secondly, look at the reasons for our taking R.O.T.C. from this point of view. If there should be a business depression when we graduate from college, I think that a person with a second lieutenant's commission in the army would be sitting pretty, without any worries about food, clothing, and board. Another consideration is the fact that the 90 cents per day adds up to \$27.90 per month which is a big help to us veterans.

Thirdly, those of us taking advanced R.O.T.C. and receiving 90 cents per day are with few exceptions all veterans of the last war. I myself spent almost three years as a low down buck private in the infantry and 25 months of that was spent overseas, so we know what we're doing. I might add that in R.O.T.C. we are taught not how to mass murder, but to do things in such a way as to receive the least number of casualties to ourselves.

In closing I might say that in the event of another war Mr. Spiker, if you were drafted, in your basic training or boot camp you would be taught what we are now being taught or have already gone through.

Mr. Spiker, I suggest that you read the "Communist Manifesto" then make your comments as to your feelings on the R.O.T.C. as it is taught and practiced.

—Robert W. Stryker.

### Proof That Someone Cares

TO THE EDITOR: It has been said, by a European, that a billion dollars in relief sent by the U.S. government cannot do the good that a million dollars sent directly by the people could. The reason is obvious. While the government may be suspected of all sorts of imperialistic schemes and war-making designs, none but the best motives

can be attached to the gift of a food or clothing package sent by an individual. These gifts have become the means of new hope for they are symbols — nay, very real proof — that someone cares.

On Saturday night from 10-11 more than 1000 radio stations will carry the "ONE GREAT HOUR" program, a non-sectarian, interdenominational, joint Catholic-Protestant effort to collect \$10,000,000 for world relief. As a foreigner I am convinced that America can say more to the world through efforts like these, than all the jet planes and air-lifts and atomic bombs.

Here, then is the chance for everyone to prove himself. You who have shouted proudly about the "American way of life" — here's the test; you — columnists, party-liners, progressives who care so greatly for the working man, what are you going to do about this one great hour. And you — who call yourselves Christians — Baptists, Presbyterians, Catholics, Methodists — will you some day be able to say "When saw we thee hungry and fed thee? or thirsty and gave thee drink? . . . a stranger and took thee in? or naked and clothed thee?"

—"One Great Hour"

### More Repercussions

TO THE EDITOR: The Ceramic industry would be extremely grateful to the "onlooker" who so obligingly explained the shattering of Rea and Derick's glass door for his technical assistance in developing new methods of manufacturing plate-glass.

Certainly he doesn't lack originality. Maybe the Atomic Energy Commission or the Air Forces would be interested in his process for making air-glass bombs.

If he has any spare time next semester, we recommend that he take Ceramics 415 or else look-up the process for the manufacture of "Herculite" glass.

Just for the record—

—Mudslingers

## Dr. LeSourd of Boston University To Lecture on Palestine

Dr. Howard M. LeSourd, dean of the Boston University School of Public Relations, will lecture on "A Christian Looks at Palestine," at Hillel Foundation, 8 p.m. Sunday. This meeting is open to the public.

Director of the Institute for Democratic Education and former director of the American Christian Palestine Committee, Dean

LeSourd is an educator, author, and student of national and international affairs as well as of religious and social problems. For 12 years he served as dean of the Boston University Graduate School.

He was a member of the White House Conference on Child Health and Protection in 1930. As director of the Institute for Democratic Education, the lecturer produces the recorded "Lest We Forget" programs of radio and screen.

The distinguished educator organized the Boston University Radio Institute and has pioneered in the work of using radio in education. He has aired several

weekly programs for a number of years over various Boston stations.

A traveler of Europe and the Near East, Dr. LeSourd speaks on Palestine from first-hand experience. During the summer of 1945 he was a Christian observer at the World Zionist Conference in London. He has long been interested in minority problems and world affairs and is an ardent believer in democratic action.

Other lecture subjects on which the social scientist will speak are "Public Relations Is Everybody's Business," "Christians Think So Too," and "Democracy's Children."

## News Briefs

### Chem Eng Society

Members of the Chemical Engineering Society will visit the Lewistown plant of the American Viscose Corporation today and next Tuesday. The first group will leave from the rear of Walker Laboratory at 1 p.m. today, with the second group leaving from the same place at the same time Tuesday. A list of persons signed to go is posted in Walker Laboratory.

### Senior Engineering

Prof. Kinsley R. Smith will speak at Senior Engineering Lecture in Schwab Auditorium at 4:10 p.m. today.

### "One Great Hour"

A peace-promoting program entitled "One Great Hour" will be heard over Station WMAJ from 10-11 p.m. tomorrow. Major radio networks of the country are sponsoring this feature.

## PSCA to Attend Seminars Held In Washington

"Meet Your Government" seminars sponsored by the National Intercollegiate Christian Council will be conducted in Washington, D.C., March 28 to 30, April 10 to 12, and April 24 to 26. The purpose of the seminars is to promote a better understanding of the process of federal government and to prepare students for effective Christian citizenship.

### Agenda

Planned trips and tours with visits to Senate and House committees' hearings, the legislative chambers, Supreme Court, the Department of State etc., comprise the agenda of the seminars, along with discussions to evaluate and consolidate the findings of the tourists.

The local PSCA chapter hopes to assemble an enthusiastic group to fill a bus to attend the third of these seminars.

### Other Seminars

Other seminars being sponsored by NICC are the United Nations seminars to be held at Lake Success, N.Y., April 12 to 15, April 24 to 26, and June 26 to 28, with the purposes aligning those of the "Meet Your Government" seminars on an international plane.

The PSCA is also scheduled to conduct other seminars in conjunction with the Friends Society. For further information concerning any or all of these seminars contact either George Earnshaw Jr. or Marjorie Allen in the PSCA office, 304 Old Main.

## WSSF Sets Goal of \$3000 For Annual Drive, April 4-9

With Mark Elcan and Don Copelin as co-chairmen, the campus World Student Service Fund committee is making final arrangements for its annual drive, April 4 to 9. A goal of \$3000 has been set.

Of this sum, \$2400 will be used to buy books for students in the Philippines, and the remainder will go into WSSF's fund for emergency use.

Other committee chairmen and officers are Mary Fox, secretary; Oliver Blackwell, treasurer; Deane Brown and Ernest Ott, solicitations; Roslyn McCollom and John DeWolf, special events; Jane Kelly and Ed Robinson, speakers' bureau, and Carol Hecht, publicity.

WSSF, the American branch of

the World Student Relief, provides needworthy students in Europe and Asia with food, housing, medical relief, and books. Sponsored by Protestant, Catholic, Jewish, and the National Student Association, its funds are distributed without reference to race, religion, nationality, or politics.

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