

## Death Verdict Goes To Truman Attacker

## 8 Students To Compete In Debate Tournament

WASHINGTON, March 7 (AP)—A federal jury decreed death today for Oscar Collazo who stormed President Truman's home Nov. 1 in the name of Puerto Rican independence.

Actual fixing of sentence in a federal court is in the hands of the judge but the jury found the little 37-year-old revolutionary guilty on two counts of first degree murder. The law makes death in the electric chair mandatory on each such count.

Both the charges were based on the death of Pvt. Leslie Coffelt of the White House guard, shot to death in the furious gunplay outside Blair house on Pennsylvania avenue. The government itself conceded that the actual death bullet was fired by Collazo's accomplice, Griselio Torresola, also slain in the gunfight, but the jury agreed with the prosecution contention that participation in the crime made Collazo equally guilty.

By its finding on the second count the jury rejected Collazo's plea that he and Torresola did not intend to kill anybody. Collazo's story was that they only wanted to make a demonstration in favor of Puerto Rican independence.

The second count was based on the contention that Coffelt met death in defending the President against assassins who meant to kill Truman or anybody who stood in the way. On that issue the court had given the jury only the choice between first degree murder and acquittal.

### Male Choir To Appear In Concert

The de Paur Infantry chorus, conducted by Leonard de Paur, will present the fifth and final program of the Community Concert series tomorrow night, at 8:30 in Schwab auditorium.

Admission to the program is limited to members of the Community Concert association.

The de Paur chorus, a group of 35 veterans who sang for American troops from Iwo Jima to Berlin, was organized at Fort Dix, N. J. in 1942. At that time, a group of soldiers of the 372nd Infantry regiment formed a singing group. Capt. Leonard de Paur joined the group after their unit moved to Arizona.

Previously, Captain de Paur had organized the chorus of 60 voices for the Air Force show, "Winged Victory." Before enlisting in the Army, Captain de Paur served as director of the Negro theatre, a position he obtained in 1936.

The chorus was shipped from Arizona to the South Pacific with the 372nd regiment, but later (continued on page eight)

### Painters To Finish Library Decorating

Interior painting being done in the Library will be completed in about six more weeks, C. A. Lamm, supervisor of building maintenance and operation, said yesterday.

The entire interior will be repainted with colors selected by the librarian and his staff, Lamm said. He also said that except for some rooms on the fourth floor, the entire interior of Old Main has been repainted.

### French Club To Meet

The French club will hold its second meeting of the semester tonight at 7 o'clock in the recreation room of McElwain hall. The meeting will feature slides on Paris and Versailles.

### Conference With DP's



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CAPT. GREGORY Gagarin, (right), member of the College faculty, is shown interpreting to the audience the answers of Russian DP's at a conference in Sparks Tuesday night. Shown with him are N. Irgizov (left), former electrical engineer, and A. Sergeev (center), former teacher in Kiev.

### Dorm Men, Officials Will Discuss Meals

Nittany-Pollock dorm presidents, and the area food committees will hold a dinner-meeting every Tuesday afternoon in the West dorm dining hall with Dietician Mildred E. Baker and Dean of Men H. K. Wilson, Leonard Tomazin, Pollock council president, announced Tuesday at a council meeting.

The object of the dinner-meetings will be to solve the food problem in the Nittany-Pollock area, Tomazin said.

The food committee has drawn up a tentative list of requests to place before Miss Baker and Wilson. The councils will request, among other things, having both meat and fish on Fridays, and more second helpings.

The Pollock council dissolved its social committee and passed an amendment, giving Barons, newly organized social organization in the Nittany-Pollock dorm area, full control over social functions. Barons had previously been recognized by the Nittany council.

A committee to investigate service by candy machines in the individual dorms was formed by Tomazin. The problem of obtaining a greater variety of candy for the machines will be brought before Russell E. Clark, director of housing, he indicated.

Robert Stottlemeyer was appointed council parliamentarian.

### NSA Finishes Petition Drive

The National Student association has completed its drive to get signatures on a petition to the Pennsylvania legislature urging the legalization of absentee voting.

Over 4600 persons signed the petition, David Fitzcharles, NSA committee chairman, reported yesterday. The committee has not yet decided how it will send the petition to the legislature at Harrisburg, he said.

### To Install Newcomers

The Future Business Leaders of America will hold a meeting today at 7 p.m. in 217 Willard for the installation of new members, it was announced by John Beiter, president of the club.

Four men and four women from the College's debate teams leave today to compete in the state debate and forensic tournament at Temple university this week-end.

Four men also leave today to take part in the Brooklyn College tourney. Both tournaments will be held today, tomorrow, and Saturday.

### O'Connor To Deliver Chapel Talk

Basil O'Connor, distinguished Catholic layman and president of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, will speak in chapel Sunday at 11 o'clock.

O'Connor is the senior member of the law firm of O'Connor and Farber and was at one time law partner of President Franklin D. Roosevelt. His close association with President Roosevelt led to his interest in fighting infantile paralysis.

#### Heads Organizations

He is also president of the Georgia Warm Springs foundation, the Franklin D. Roosevelt library, the Finlay Institute of the Americas, the Johnson O'Connor Research foundation, the Human Engineering laboratory, the American Museum of Health, and the International Congress on Poliomyelitis.

He is either chairman or director in more than a score of business, religious and philanthropic organizations, including the National Conference of Christians and Jews. His interest in inter-faith cooperation led President Truman to appoint him to membership of the President's Committee on Religion and Welfare in the Armed Forces.

#### Receives Honors

During the last ten years O'Connor's services to various countries of the world have been rewarded with more than two dozen decorations and honors bestowed by foreign governments or Red Cross societies.

### Musical To Be Held In Simmons Tonight

The Simmons musicale will be held tonight at 7:30 o'clock in Simmons lounge.

Recordings of Brahms' "Academic Festival Overture," Beethoven's "Piano Concerto No. 4," and Mahler's "Symphony No. 4" will be played.

Students and faculty are invited to attend.

### Israel Farms Form Basis For Economy

By LEN KOLASINSKI

Farm systems in Israel are not indicative of extreme leftist leanings. Dr. William W. Edel, president of Dickinson college, said last night before about 150 persons in 121 Sparks.

Israel recognizes that the basis of a thriving economy is agriculture and the emphasis is therefore placed on farming, he said.

Edel's lecture was sponsored by the Penn State Christian association, the Hillel foundation, and the International Relations club.

#### Three Categories

There are three categories of communal farming in effect today. Under the kibbutz plan membership is on an individual basis, with men, women, and children living in separate dormitories, Edel said.

The moshav system is different from the kibbutz, being based on an association of families. The farm plots and living quarters in the moshav are the family's possession. However, all heavy farm machinery is owned in common, Edel said.

The family in the moshav shitufim is a unit owning all the farming implements. In the former systems any member or family group may leave the community, but no equipment can be taken away. In the moshav shitufim the family can withdraw at will with its farming tools.

In all systems the officers of (continued on page eight)

### DP Group To Elect Officers

The Campus committee on Displaced Persons will meet tonight at 7 o'clock in 304 Old Main to elect permanent officers and to hear a report by the subcommittee on housing, Drew Mahla, chairman pro-tem, said yesterday.

The State College Commerce club's committee on displaced persons has been working to obtain job assurances for 25 displaced persons of student classification, who will come to State College next fall. Plans call for the students to work for a year, and then to matriculate at the College, according to Marjorie Allen, associate secretary of the (continued on page eight)

Both tournaments will be held today, tomorrow, and Saturday.

David Lewis will take part in the state oratorical contest at Temple. Clair George will compete in the state extemporaneous speaking contest.

#### Women's Squad

Peggy Fahringer will represent the women's squad in the oratorical contest and Greta Weaver, in extemporaneous speaking. Miss Fahringer won the position by taking second place in the John H. Frizzel oratorical contest here last year.

The same foursome which three weeks ago permanently won the Washington and Jefferson cup for the College will be entered in the debate contest in the Temple tournament.

Harry Kondourajian and Lewis will debate the affirmative, Martin Brenner and George will form the negative team.

The women's affirmative team will include Miss Fahringer and Miss Weaver, affirmative, and Sylvia Silver and Phyllis Kalsen, negative.

Gene Bouch, John Boddington, David Schmukler, and Donald Yenko will compete in the Brooklyn tourney. Teams from New York, New England, and Pennsylvania will take part in the tourney.

#### Topic

Topic for both tournaments will be the national intercollegiate debate question, "Resolved: That the non-Communist nations should form a new international organization."

The women's team tied for second place in the elimination rounds at the state tourney last year.

Lewis took second place in the state oratorical contest last year. Both he and George were chosen to represent the College at the Temple tournament following inter-team competition for the positions.

Finalists in the oratorical contest were Frank Faisick, Bernard Freidman, Edwin Lefkowitz, Gene Kolber, Gifford Phillips, and Lewis. Finalists in the extemporaneous speaking contest were Robert Alderdice, Kondourajian, Lewis, and George.

### Today ...



### The Nittany Lion Roars

FOR Lou Lamie, who has scored more points in one season than any other basketball player in Penn State history, Lou, by scoring 22 against West Virginia, has garnered 308 for this season, breaking Marty Costa's old mark of 299.

A fierce rumble from the Lion congratulates Lou on his stellar team-play and cage prowess, which has enabled him to amass 655 points thus far in his three-year career here in the Nittany Valley, also creating an all-time Penn State record.