

## Loyalty Oath Bill Excites Legislators

(This is the second in a series of articles on loyalty oath and civil rights legislation now pending before the state legislature.)

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So much passion and heat have been poured forth as a result of the passage of the so-called loyalty oath bill in the state Senate that it is difficult to see through all the smoke.

In brief, the bill, as passed by the Senate would require "every person in the employ of the commonwealth or any political subdivision thereof or any employes of state-aided colleges and schools other than elected state or local officials to take an oath of loyalty . . ."

As of Oct. 1, should the bill pass the House and be signed by Gov. John S. Fine, all persons named in the title would be required to take the following oath:

### The Oath

"I . . . do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the state of Pennsylvania against all enemies, foreign and domestic, that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same, that I take this obligation freely without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties upon which I am about to enter.

"And I do further swear (or affirm) that I do not advocate nor am I knowingly a member or an affiliate of any organization, group, or combination of persons that advocates the overthrow of the government of the United States or of the state by force or violence and that during such time as I am a member or an employee of . . . I will not advocate nor knowingly become a member or an affiliate of any organization, group, or combination of persons that advocates the overthrow of the government of the United States or of this state by force or violence."

Persons found to have taken the oath falsely will be subject to the perjury laws of the state. That the law will be able to catch "subversives" on perjury charges is one of the strong points of the legislation, according to Sen. Albert R. Pechan, the bill's sponsor in the Senate.

### No Oath For Legislators

It is of course interesting to note that elected state or local officials are not required to take the oath. The bill's backers argue that elected officials are required to take an oath, under the state constitution, so why make them take another one.

The oath required of legislators reads in part, "I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support, obey and defend the constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the Commonwealth . . ."

Nowhere is the legislator required to disavow a political belief, and nowhere is there any provision for setting up an arbitrary list of subversive organizations.

Although the bill defines a "subversive organization" and a foreign subversive organization, it does not state any criteria by which the state attorney general is to decide what organization is subversive.

The bill does set up a "court"—if it could be called that—to give those discharged under the provisions of the law a hearing. The hearing is to be conducted by the department of justice, which is

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## Block And Bridle Club Judge Stock Tomorrow

The Block and Bridle club will sponsor its annual livestock judging contest tomorrow at 1 p.m., Edna Grabiak, secretary of the club, said yesterday.

Philip Houston, Carl Everett, William Kramlich, and James Mindler are members of the organizing committee for this year's competition.

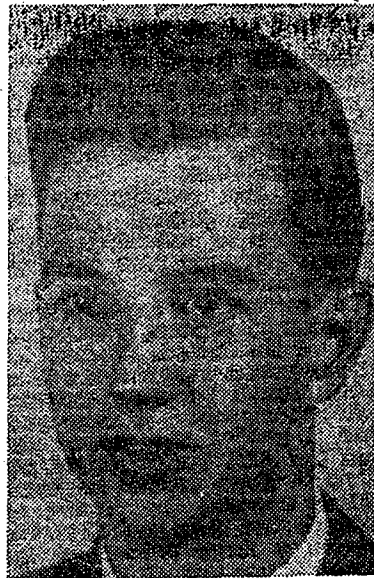
Amateur and professional divisions will be organized. Professionals are students who have taken animal husbandry three or four. Prizes for class winners are being donated by borough merchants.

The Block and Bridle club will sponsor the College's Little International Livestock exposition this year on April 28.

## Speech Major Reads Poetry At Festival

Donald Colbert, sophomore majoring in speech and drama, will represent Penn State at the Eastern Poetry Reading festival to be held today at Queens college.

Colbert was selected by members of the Speech department from the 35 students who partici-



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ated in the preliminary tryouts. At today's festival he will read William Rose Benet's "Men on Strike." He represented the College at last year's poetry festival held at Wesleyan university, Middleton, N.Y.

Penn State is the only college in Pennsylvania among the 28 eastern colleges who will send representatives. Guest speaker at last night's banquet was Dr. Magdaline Kramer, head of the Speech department at Columbia university. William W. Hamilton, assistant professor of speech at the College, accompanied Colbert to New York.

## Pan Americans To Hold Ball Tonight

Pan American week continues with a ball tonight in the main lounge of the West dormitories from 8-11 o'clock.

Mixed South and North American music will be featured. The decorations will also feature a North and South American theme. The decoration committee consists of Stanley Wengert, chairman, Bill Clymer, Elizabeth Johnson, Nancy Powers, and Norman Duffy.

The Pan American week committee in co-operation with the West Dorm council is sponsoring the Pan American week ball.

Saturday, Pan American day, will consist of a Pan American day fiesta-folk dance directed by Mrs. W. B. Shepperd and sponsored by the Inter-American club. The fiesta will be held in 304 Old Main.

## Phila. Celebrates 'Penn State Day'

Today is Penn State day in Philadelphia.

Bernard Samuel, the city's mayor, designated today to honor the College and the Penn State Glee club. The group will give a concert at the Academy of Music tonight. Fred Waring will be guest conductor for several of the numbers.

A copy of the mayor's proclamation was presented to Jack R. Aldrich, president of the Philadelphia Penn State Alumni club, which is sponsoring the Glee club's appearance in Philadelphia.

## Home Economics Club Meets With Ag Group

Members of the Home Economics club held a joint meeting with the Agriculture Economics club Tuesday night.

A panel discussion on "Farm and Family Financial Planning" was held with members from the two clubs participating. Participants were: Betty Anders, Constance Matlavage, William Nichol, William Shute, and Carroll Hess, ag ec. club advisor.

The discussion was followed by games and refreshments.

## State, Lion Chairmen Clash Over Platforms

State and Lion party chairmen clashed yesterday in attacks upon and defenses of the parties' campaign platforms as the campaign finished its fourth day.

The exchange of verbal blows was made by Milton Bernstein, chairman of the Lion party, and Murray Goldman, State party chairman.

Bernstein described the Lion planks as "things that can be accomplished this year." Goldman called the same platform "not concrete" and said that it promises nothing more than "to look into" things.

### Bernstein Disagrees

Bernstein said the State plank that asked permission for women to appear before Judicial in all cases of rule infractions was contrary to laws set up by the women themselves in their student government handbook.

The State leader called his party's platform more specific than that of the Lion party.

Bernstein attacked the State proposal to investigate the possibility of constructing sorority houses. He said that it is a deficient issue and doubted whether either party would be in existence by the time the proposal was acted on.

Meanwhile, candidates continued to make personal contacts with voters in living units yesterday. The Lion party canvassed the West dorm area last night at meal-time and the State party was in the women's dorm area for the first time in the campaign.

## Home Ec Committees Announced

Committees have been announced for the School of Home Economics annual Spring weekend which begins today and will continue tomorrow.

The committees are: General co-ordinating, June Moylan, Edward Erotas, Patricia Robinson; entertainment of freshmen, Mary Jane Dean; tours, Edward Erotas, Betty Anders; speakers for high school students, Patricia Robinson; guides and hosts, Jane Rushin, Barbara Norton; students helping in meal preparation, Joanne Eldred. The faculty advisors are Dr. Helen LeBaron and Lilla Cortright. Betty Anders is president of the Home Economics club.

Many of the visitors to the campus will be high school students from surrounding areas. Other guests will be freshmen from the Penn State centers. For all groups, there will be special tours of the campus, the three home management houses, McElwain hall, and McKee hall.

On Saturday morning several students will speak to high school visitors on "Professions in Home Economics." Discussions on child development, home management, and clothing programs will be held. In addition, two food classes will be in regular session.

Students have volunteered to serve lunch in the cafeteria and Maple room, which will be open to guests for lunch today and tomorrow and also for dinner today. Entertainment for the visiting freshmen from centers is planned for this evening.

## Students To Attend Model Congress

Sixteen students accompanied by Lee E. Corter of the Political Science department will participate in a "Model Congress" in Harrisburg tomorrow through Sunday.

The group who are members of the central region of the Inter-collegiate Conference on Government will be welcomed at the opening session by Gov. John S. Fine and will hear talks by Sen. Wallace F. Bennett (R-Utah) and Congressman Richard Bolling (D-Mo.)

The students who will leave for the trip are Richard M. Bard, John F. Beiter, Frederick W. Hopkins, David Fritzcharles, Joseph S. Lenchner, Jo Ann Esterly, Lola J. Edmunds, Virginia Mayes, Virginia M. Sinclair, Robert D. George, Joseph V. Galati, Louis C. Tenerove, Lewis Shollcross, Leonard G. Wargo, Edward G. Gildea, and Thomas B. Shriver.

## Korean Committee To Collect Clothes

The committee for the Korean Clothing Campaign will collect clothes tomorrow afternoon, Rachel Witherow and David Kincaid, co-chairmen, announced yesterday.

The campaign is scheduled to close Sunday, Miss Witherow said, but the committee will continue to answer any calls received after that date.

Posters announcing the campaign were placed in the windows of local stores last Saturday. Nineteen medium-sized cartons of all types of clothing for men, women, and children already have been collected, Miss Witherow said.

## Red Cross Group Goes To Altoona

The Red Cross Student Service organization will sponsor a variety show to be presented at the Altoona Veteran's Administration hospital Monday night.

The organization has secured an all-student talent show, with many of the performers having taken part in the All-College Talent show recently sponsored by the Penn State club.

Taking part in the hospital show will be the Four Flats and a Sharp, a vocal group composed of Earl Baker, William Detweiler, David Margolf, Richard Wrentmore, and Polly Potter; a girl's quartet from the Kappa Alpha Theta sorority made up of Carolyn DeHart, Betty Jane Strom, Ann Sweger, and Elizabeth Swift; vocalists Janice Berg and Edward Rolf; a combo from Ray Evert's Artists In Melody; and Jack Huber and his orchestra. John Cox will act as master of ceremonies for the entire show.

Co-chairman of the project are Sally Shoemaker, who is also president of the Red Cross campus group, and Ronald Cline.

The Home Economics club will send two members, Barbara Norton and Helen Steliotos, with the group to distribute cookies baked by the club members.

Earlier in the year the Red Cross organization helped in the packing of Christmas cartons to be sent to Korea, and they are now aiding the infirmary in the blood typing program.

## Delta Upsilon Host At Annual Eastern Collegiate Meeting

The annual convention of Delta Upsilon's second province will get underway this week-end as the local chapter plays host to DU representatives from nine eastern colleges and universities and local alumni.

Arthur R. Warnock, emeritus dean of men and president of the National Interfraternity council, will open the program at a dinner tonight when he speaks on "Fraternities in the National Crisis." President Milton S. Eisenhower will be guest of honor.

Tomorrow afternoon will be devoted to round-table discussions and informal talks. The convention will end with a dinner at the Eutaw house and a dance at the chapter house for delegates and friends.

Two representatives will attend from each of the following schools: Bucknell, Johns Hopkins, Lafayette, Lehigh, Rutgers, Swarthmore, University of Pennsylvania, University of Virginia, and Washington and Lee.

## Children Needed For Players' Show

Two dark-haired girls, one 5 and the other 10 years old, are needed for roles in the forthcoming Players' production of "Lady in the Dark."

The girls will portray the protagonist of the play, Liza, at the ages of 5 and 10.

Those who know of anyone qualified for the roles may call Robert Reifsnider at the dramatics office in Schwab auditorium. Appointments will be made for interviews tomorrow afternoon.

## Applications Ready For Scholarships For Ag Students

Applications for three scholarships for students in the School of Agriculture are now available, Russell B. Dickerson, vice-dean of the school, said yesterday.

Applications may be picked up in 111 Agriculture and must be returned by noon Thursday to be considered.

The \$100 KDKA scholarship will be awarded to a junior or senior in agriculture judged outstanding in leadership and the advancement of agricultural information through radio.

The winner will also be the guest of radio station KDKA in Pittsburgh on the evening of May 18 and the morning of May 19. One of the three winners from Ohio, West Virginia, and Pennsylvania, will be selected to work with Homer Marzt, KDKA radio farm director, this summer.

Two Danforth foundation scholarships, one for a freshman and one for a junior, will also be awarded.

The first scholarship provides a two-week period of intensive training in leadership in Michigan to a freshman in the school.

A four-week summer fellowship will be awarded jointly by the Danforth foundation and the Ralston Purina company to an outstanding junior. It will provide instruction on food processing and selling, as well a leadership training period in Michigan.

## Sheepmen's Course Attracts 16 Men

Sixteen men were enrolled in a sheepmen's training course at the College this week.

Newly acquired sheep, purchased by the College, were used by the class to improve the quality of the flocks. Assisting the students was Carroll Shaffner, new superintendent of sheep.

A. L. Beam, director of short courses, pointed out that this is the first time such a course has been presented. The training course was arranged in response to demands for such instruction due to the revival of interest of sheep growing in Pennsylvania.

## Inter-Church Fellowship To Sponsor Festival

The Inter-church Student fellowship is sponsoring a spring carnival tonight at 7:30 p.m. in the Wesley foundation gymnasium. Entertainment will include square dancing and group singing. Refreshments will be served.