

Pres. Calls Mac Firing Right Move

WASHINGTON, May 3—(P)—A bristling President Truman said in short, barbed sentences today that when all the facts are in, they will show he was right in firing Gen. Douglas MacArthur.

He said MacArthur persuaded him at their Wake island conference last October that the Chinese Communists would not come into the Korean war.

And, by implication, he challenged MacArthur's statement to Senate investigators that the Central Intelligence Agency reported in November that there was "very little chance" of Chinese Red intervention. It was in early November that the Reds did strike.

No Report Made

Truman told a news conference the CIA, top-level intelligence unit, made no such report to him—and he said the CIA reports to him daily and he reads its reports.

Besides, the President said, MacArthur wouldn't let the CIA operate under his command until Gen. Walter Bedell Smith, head of the agency, made a special trip to Japan recently and persuaded MacArthur to let it operate.

As for MacArthur's statement to the Senators today that he doesn't think Russia is in any position to launch a "predatory attack from the Asiatic continent," the President said all he knew about that was what had been in the papers.

Questioning Heavy

Truman answered—or parried—a heavy barrage of questions from reporters while MacArthur was voicing other views in a closed Senate hearing some 16 blocks away.

As for his private conversation with MacArthur on Wake Island, Truman said he remembers what took place but has no intention of making it public.

Blood Drive Exceeds Quota

The quota set by the Red Cross for its blood drive was exceeded yesterday by 12 pints.

Dorothy Cornelius, head nurse, said that the original quota set was 125 pints. One hundred and sixty-six arrived to donate blood she said. Of the 166, she stated, 16 were "walk-ins" who came in without appointments.

The blood was iced here and sent on to Johnstown, where it will be classified. The "O" type will arrive in Korea Sunday.

The students who donated blood will receive cards from the Red Cross stating their type and factor.

Several of the students who came to donate blood were turned down because they had already given blood previously.

The donors, when finished, were given sandwiches and tea, coffee, or milk.

The bloodmobile will return next year in the fall, Mrs. Cornelius said. The unit will stay for two days.

Alderdice Elected President Of IRC

Robert Alderdice was elected president of the International Relations Club Tuesday night.

Also elected to office were Stanford Hertz, vice-president; Marian Kugelman, secretary; Edward Gildea, corresponding secretary; and Peter Stavisky, treasurer.

William Klisanin was awarded the IRC honor key for outstanding work in furthering the club and the national movement. A motion was proposed to give another key to the local outstanding citizen in the international field.

Passenger Lists Moved To TUB

Information sheets for riders and passengers are now posted on the bulletin board at the TUB, William Klisanin, chairman of the National Student Association, has announced. They were formerly posted in Old Main lobby.

The lists have now been reorganized.

Klisanin warned that NSA will check to see if people take their names off the lists after their cars are filled or they get their rides. If they repeatedly fail to do so, they will be barred from using the lists.

Money for the bulletin board was contributed by H. K. Wilson, dean of men.

Pa. Reading Conclave Ends Today

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The third Pennsylvania Reading Festival will conclude today at the College with interpretations of short poems and dramatic cuts from plays scheduled for the morning and afternoon sessions.

Forty-five students from 12 Pennsylvania colleges and universities are participating in the festival, which is sponsored by the Department of Speech. At 9:30 a.m. today the student representatives will present short readings, including the most famous poems of Edgar Lee Masters, A. E. Housman, Edna St. Vincent Millay, Emily Dickinson, Elizabeth Barrett Browning, William Shakespeare, Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, Lord Tennyson, Edwin Markham, and Robert Burns. Anita Ranallo will preside at this group of readings.

Begins At 1:30

The afternoon session, which will begin at 1:30 p.m., will feature the following dramatic selections: Maxwell Anderson's "Mary of Scotland," "Lost in the Stars," "High Tor," Oscar Wilde's "Salome"; George Bernard Shaw's "Saint Joan"; Thornton Wilder's "Our Town"; William Shakespeare's "Twelfth Night"; Somerset Maugham's "The Circle," Henri Gheon's "The Comedian," Fay Kanin's "Goodbye My Fancy," and Jean Giraudoux' "The Enchanted." Katherine Scheetz will preside at the afternoon session.

Prexy Extends Thanks For Title

President Milton S. Eisenhower yesterday wrote an open letter to the students to express his thanks for the title "Prexy" bestowed upon him by Robert Davis, retiring All-College president, at the Honors Day ceremonies.

The text of the President's letter follows:

"Dear Students:
"Wednesday, at the Honors Day convocation, I was so completely surprised when Bob Davis interrupted the proceedings to dub me "Prexy" and to present me with a beautiful sterling silver tray from all of you, that I could not at the moment express the very deep gratitude I have for this generous outpouring of your cooperation and support.

"I did manage to say—and I meant it—that I would rather merit the esteem and affection of students than to receive any other honor that might be bestowed upon me.

"My first year at Penn State has been a happy and rewarding one. My only regret has been that I have had to be off-campus too much; but this is a legislative year and so I have found it neces-

Brown Sees W. Europe As Vital

By BETTIE LOUX

"Western Europe is more important to our security than Asia," Cecil Brown told a Community Forum audience last night. "It must be held with the same tenacity for survival as we



Cecil Brown

would fight for New York or State College."

Brown's strong voice rang out through crowded Schwab Auditorium as he said it is a "burning fact that we are now at war with the Soviet Union" and that Europe is vital to our security. "We can send troops and equipment to Western Europe," he said, "but we must also be a fountain of inspiration, a volcano of faith, and a reservoir of moral courage."

American policy is not a "witches brew," he continued. It is, among other things, the Four Freedoms, the Marshall Plan, giving Israel a chance, "buttering up" to Nehru of India, changing secretaries of state too often—or trying to, and Korea.

Stresses Two Points

"If American policy is timid, it is because we're timid or too preoccupied to bother with events. We must keep in mind two essential points:

1. From the springboard of Korea, Russia is determined to dominate all of Asia.
 2. From the springboard of East Germany, Russia is determined to dominate all Europe."
- The United States, he said, must face two all-embracing facts about Asia: First, that Asia is now in the ferment of great revolutionary changes; second, (continued on page eight)

Cabinet Approves Reduction Of Fees

By JIM GROMILLER

All-College Cabinet last night gave final approval to a motion which would recommend that the Board of Trustees lower the student interclass finance fee from 75 cents to 50 cents a semester.

The recommendation will be acted on by the Board of Trustees when it meets early in June.

Newly-elected All-College President James Worth presided at

the brief meeting, and installed All-College Vice-President Harry Cover, All-College Secretary-Treasurer Thomas Jurchak, and new senior and junior class officers.

Students' Voices To Be Recorded

Recordings of students' voices which may be sent home for Mother's Day are being made in office 121, Hamilton Hall, located in the West Dorm post office, John Clark, West Dorm Council spokesman, said yesterday.

Equipment for the recordings has been obtained from Philip Maninno of the audio-visual library and is under the supervision of Clark. He said the recording, which began Wednesday, would continue "for at least a week," at a charge of 50 cents per record.

Students will be able to record two sides of a small non-breakable 78 r.p.m. record that may be mailed home. Clark said the project was a non-profit service to anyone on campus who wishes to make use of it.

The recommendation to reduce the student finance fee was suggested at last week's meeting by retiring All-College Secretary-Treasurer Emerson Jones as a part of the budget for next year.

Jones explained last week that an annual income of approximately \$2600 from dances had not been included in the budget in past years.

Jones said that this income, along with the removal of a 25-cent per semester payment to the Blue Band from the interclass finance fee, made the reduction possible. Students now pay a separate assessment of 25 cents per semester to the Blue Band.

Cabinet also gave final approval to an amendment to the All-College Constitution adding business managers of student publications to membership on the Board of Publications. The change was made to create better coordination of dates of publication.

A report presented by David Mutchler, of the All-College award committee, suggested individual awards to the College's three championship athletic teams. Cabinet accepted the report which would present awards to members of the varsity cross country, soccer, and wrestling teams.

Worth named John Fitzpatrick as temporary Cabinet parliamentarian. A suggestion that Anna Forest be added to the list of outstanding seniors was approved unanimously.

Senior Class President David Olmsted, Vice-President Bryson Craine, and Secretary-Treasurer Sarah Shoemaker were installed by Worth, along with Junior Class President Michael Hanek, Vice-President Samuel Marino and Secretary-Treasurer Lee Coy.

Tribunal Fines Two Students

Six students were tried before Tribunal Wednesday night for parking and driving violations and a total of \$6 in fines was collected.

One student was fined \$4 for parking in a loading zone at Central Library and also in the Engineering Laboratory area. Another violator was fined \$2 for parking on Pollock road and in the Osmond area. He had neither his owner's nor operator's card.

Four students received suspended fines of \$1—one for parking on Burrows road, and three for driving on Pollock road during class hours.

Women Debaters Home From Tour

Three members of the women's debate team returned last night after five days of competition with southern schools.

An affirmative team including Joan Dobson, Constance Matlage and Barbara Menapace left Sunday to meet the University of Richmond and Georgetown University for the first time. They debated with Johns Hopkins University for the first time since World War II. Competition with Mount St. Mary's College has been going on for eight years.

Letter Sent Legislature On Petition

David Fitzcharles, acting chairman of National Student Association, reported last night he had sent a letter to the state legislature in Harrisburg about submitting the absentee voting petition.

Fitzcharles said he wants to submit the petition to the committee on constitutional changes in the Senate and the elections committee in the House of Representatives. As yet, no answer has been received from the legislature.

As soon as final details can be arranged, a committee consisting of William Klisanin, Nancy George, and Fitzcharles will submit the petition in person.

Discuss Discount Plan

The question of a student discount service purchase card system was discussed by NSA last night and it was decided that this project would be tabled until September.

The discount service is a plan whereby students enrolled in member schools of NSA may purchase articles at discounts in certain stores throughout the state. Joan Yerger is chairman for the project.

Leonard Wargo, co-chairman of the work, study and travel committee of NSA, reported that the committee had held several open-hour periods for the purpose of supplying information for anyone interested in traveling abroad this summer.

Should Be Stopped

No students used the facilities, the committee reported, adding that it felt the service should be stopped. However, copies of travel pamphlets will be available at the Student Union desk in Old Main, Wargo said.

Fall Time Tables

Time tables for the fall semester will not be available until May 19, Ray V. Watkins, scheduling officer, has announced.

Pre-registration will be held May 21 and 22.

"My thanks to every one of you.
Milton S. Eisenhower"