

Czech DP Student Describes Family's Escape From Reds

By MARY BOLICH

To friends who want her to feel more at home in the United States, Helen Charvat, Czech DP, isn't a displaced person but a "delayed pilgrim" who missed the Mayflower and got here 331 years late.

Actually it took her three years to reach this country after her escape from Communist Czechoslovakia in 1948.

Compared to many DP's her life hasn't been a hard one. She refers to her escape as a weekend trip as we at Penn State would take when we visit our parents.

Helen is the daughter of a Prague ceramics and building material manufacturer. They had a home in the city and a 50-acre farm 20 miles from Prague. As a child she studied ballet and played tennis on the Charvat's own courts.

When the Gestapo took over the country, their life was changed. The Nazis took complete

control, dictating everything the people could say, think, or do. Those who disobeyed the Nazi rule just disappeared.

They were continually under watch by the Gestapo. Almost everything they did was illegal and the punishment was death. Many of her friends were sent to Germany under forced labor.

The whole educational system was changed by the Germans. Text books were revised. History was changed according to Nazi doctrines, then finally eliminated and the geography of Europe was completely remade. The children were taught Hitler was god and Germany was the greatest nation in the world.

Must Return

After Germany surrendered there were two years of relative peace, but when the country refused Marshall Plan aid it was unable to hold its own, and the communist revolution broke out. The Charvat family was well known for its unflattering feeling and opinion towards the Communists and the revolution ended her father's fight against communism.

When Helen's father went to Moscow on a business trip, he received a letter from the Red government saying he must return or his family would be arrested. It was then that her father decided to get his family out of Czechoslovakia.

Plans for the escape began in March, 1948. Six times the three Charvat's—Helen's brother was at Leeds University, London—tried to flee the country. Five times the escape failed.

Walk to Freedom

They came closest to getting caught on their sixth attempt. The day before their scheduled departure their escape leader was arrested. At dawn an underground courier came and told them arrangements had been made and they left that afternoon.

A taxicab took them to a town near the border where they remained hiding in a house overnight. The next day they walked to the border into Germany and freedom.

Their money wasn't any good to them in Germany but the underground provided them with several bottles of whiskey which they sold to get information.

Insurance Clerk

They went through Germany in three days and made their way to Antwerp, Belgium. They immediately registered for a visa to America, but it took three years for them to get it. Meanwhile, Helen went to school where she learned to speak English.

In May of 1951 they arrived in New York City where an apartment was ready for them. Helen got a job as a clerk in an insurance office and then came a scholarship from the Masaryk Institute. She enrolled as a freshman at the Manhattanville College of the Sacred Heart where she remained for a year before coming to Penn State.

Helen's life, like that of any other coed, centers around school. She is majoring in electrical engineering and plans to go into atomic energy research after graduation. She handles the English language very well and is also a master of five other languages.

Although Helen had a great desire to go to Great Britain, she thinks the United States is wonderful. She likes the informality of Americans and thinks they are easy to live with.

"There's just something about America you have to like," she says.

Sorority Gals Now Hurrying; Rushees Relax

The most "rushing" part of rushing is over for rushees who attended their final coke dates last night. No more attempts to find afternoon hours that aren't there!

From now on the schedule lists at homes, parties and coffee hours—all weekend or evening functions. Now it's the sorority women's turn to seek elusive free hours. There will be last-minute rehearsals for skits and decorating worries before parties.

Refreshments have to be prepared and cigarette boxes filled. Lighters are running dry and matches becoming scarce. Names are more firmly fixed by now, however, and conversation less stilted as friendships ripen. All this should make at homes from 2 to 5 p.m. tomorrow more fun and less hectic than were their counterparts, open houses, last Sunday.

Rushees will pick up invitations to parties at 11 a.m. Monday. They will accept or regret invitations (accepting a maximum of three), leave the date lines blank and return invitations to the Panhellenic post office in Atherton Hall by 1 p.m. Monday. At 5 p.m. they will return to the post office to pick up party times.

Cwens to Hold Dungaree Drag

The Dungaree Drag, an annual dance sponsored by Cwens, sophomore women's hat society, will be held from 9 to 12 p.m. Oct. 10 in Recreation Hall. Lynn Christy's Campuseers will play for the dance.

As in previous years, the dance will feature the vegetable corsage contest, and prizes will be given for the most outstanding creation. A new attraction this year will be the selection of a Daisy Mae and Li'l Abner to reign over the dance in keeping with its Dog-patch theme.

Tickets will go on sale next week at \$1.50 per couple. Members of Cwens will see tickets at several booths on campus.

Five Posts Open In WRA, WSGA

Nomination blanks for freshmen and sophomore offices in Women's Student Government Association and Women's Recreation Association will be available Monday in the Dean of Women's office.

Positions open are two freshman senators on WSGA Senate and two freshman representatives and one sophomore representative in WRA. Freshman and sophomore women may nominate themselves for office.

Candidates may contact Eleanor Gwynn, 37 McElwain, for answers to questions concerning nominations.

Primary elections will be held Oct. 13 and final elections will follow on Oct. 15.

Friends Sponsor Dance

Young Friends will hold a reception at 6 to night at the Friends Meeting House, 318 S. Atherton street. The dinner will be followed by a square dance at 7:30 p.m.

Thomas to Talk To Grad School

Graduate students and members of the faculty, will meet at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday in Schwab Auditorium for the annual Graduate School Convocation.

D. Woods Thomas, graduate student and president of the Graduate Student Association, will serve as chairman for the convocation, which will be followed by a social program at Temporary Union Building.

Adrian O. Morse, College provost, will welcome graduate students. Dr. Harold K. Schilling, dean of the Graduate School, will speak on "You're in the Grad School Now."

The program will include a talk by Gene M. Love, a graduate student, and the invocation by the Rev. Luther H. Harshbarger, College chaplain.

Beginning at 7:15 p.m., George E. Ceiga, assistant professor of music, will play selections on the organ.

The social program at Temporary Union Building will include a mixer and a dance with music by the Campuseers.

Walker Lab Gets Summer Paint Job

Walker Laboratory, one of the oldest buildings on campus, this week is getting the finishing touches to its summer-long paint job.

A trim of gold paint is being applied to the 63-year-old brick building completed in 1889. The job, a "sparetime undertaking," was started during the summer and is expected to be completed this week.

Alpha Phi Omega

Alpha Phi Omega, national service fraternity will meet at 7 p.m. Monday in 12 Sparks to plan semester activities, according to Gail Bimber, president.

Male Gives Rebuttal To 'Wolf' Column

By DON SHOEMAKER

This column is intended for men only, especially those who read the "wolfess's" column in yesterday's Collegian. It is about Penn State women, most of whom, apparently, have a low opinion of Penn State "wolfes." It seems the average Penn State male is a low-down, heel of the love-'em-and-leave-'em type, according to the gals.

The people who hold this opinion should remember one fact—women aren't so perfect either. Maybe that's why some of them are dropped from the average male's telephone list after one or two dates.

Women, too, can be classified into types, the most common of which is the gold-digger. This is the female who doesn't care who she dates, as long as he can take her to see "South Pacific" followed by an evening of dining and dancing at the Stork Club, when "Limelight" and the Penn State Diner would do just as well.

Bull-sessions Too

Naturally, this coed isn't going to be very popular when her date gets home to find himself sitting on a flat wallet. A second cousin to this variety is the 'femme fatale' type. She imagines herself irresistible to anything that wears a pair of trousers. Confidently she turns down one date after another, feeling safe in her belief that someone better will ring her phone. This seldom happens.

Men have bull-sessions also, and the word gets around. Our irresistible siren suddenly finds herself studying on Saturday night.

Can't Do Without Them

Then there is the girl who is so particular that she is waiting for one guy, and one guy alone, to ask her out. She forgets this guy may have other fish to fry, and complains bitterly when she is left darning her white argyles on the night of the big dance.

Naturally, all women will not fit into these three types, but the list goes on ad infinitum or ad nauseum. But the women are lucky in one respect. We don't like to do with 'em but we can't do without 'em. They're definitely here to stay, at any rate.

Changes in Hours Set For Sunday Masses

Hours for Sunday masses were recently changed. New hours are 7:30, 8:30, 9:30, 10:30, and 11:30 a.m. at Our Lady of Victory Church.

Mass will be held at 9 a.m. Sunday in Schwab Auditorium.

'Farmer' Candidates

Students interested in working on the Penn State Farmer, Forester and Scientist and regular staff members will meet at 7:30 p.m. Monday in 109 Agriculture.

Churches To Expand Programs

Churches all over the nation are preparing to emphasize the importance of Sunday Schools for children in answer to the challenge that approximately 27,000,000 American youngsters are getting almost no church school training.

The theme of Christian Education Week, to be observed tomorrow through Oct. 4, will be "For All Children, Faith in God."

The special week, sponsored by National Council of the Churches of Christ in the U.S., has 40 denominations participating in its activities. Plans have been made to focus attention on the fact that of the 1,000,000 children who have trouble with the law each year, the majority has no record of regular religious instruction.

The number of children under 10 years of age has increased 39 per cent since 1940, and the Sunday School enrollments have hit an all time high of 32,000,000, but this is still only a few million more than the number of children who never see the inside of a church.

At the same time, however, many church schools are overcrowded and handicapped by lack of qualified teachers, making it a twofold problem. Thus, the goal of the week is not only to achieve a higher enrollment in Sunday Schools, but to recruit and train teachers in new methods and approaches.

Korean Policy—

(Continued from page four) Reds who had previously withdrawn.

The Allies will have to be satisfied with what were, after all, the major objectives of demonstrating the effectiveness of the Eastern world's collective security system and the saving of South Korea, first nation established under the aegis of United Nations.

Dreams May Reveal 'Inner You'

By JANET NOLL

"I'll See You in My Dreams," the words go, but the author wasn't being analytic. Among other things, psychologists are telling us inhibition-bound creatures of the modern world that dreams reveal our inner secrets.

For instance, nightmares are a just penalty for an uneasy conscience. Actually the specter isn't an unopened textbook alive, and it won't envelope you in its depths.

And if you don't face it, you'll be beset by frustrating dreams, like the treadmill. Of course, reality can be consoling after facing a gaping monster—a green one with nervous purple stripes—all night.

Besides making good conversation your dreams, they tell us, are keys to your problems. Understanding them will help you understand yourself better and aid in solving your difficulties. Those of the tea leaf cult, take note!

Dreams Are Memos

Listen carefully to persons who have continued dreams. The first of the serial starts like this: Cinderella is plodding along Pollock Road. Suddenly Sir Valiant's fuschia steed skids to a stop at the mall, losing a shoe. It's set with emeralds and fits the barefooted damsel perfectly. But Sir Valiant

is torn between charity and love for his horse as the alarm clock jangles. Watch for coming attractions.

Your dreams are memos to yourself, by yourself, about yourself. This means if you have a paper and pencil memory, grab 40 winks.

Also you dream most when you're between the ages of 20 and 25, and continue at a healthy clip until you reach what psychiatrists call the psychological midpoint of your life, the late 30's or early 40's. So you have plenty of time to develop this nocturnal entertainment into 3-D and technicolor.

You dream most when you're in the 20's. Because, those who know say, "unless you're exceptional you haven't yet made peace with yourself."

Love and Hate

Then the old childhood angle enters, with four heads. You are torn between, (1), your desire to return to the dependence of childhood and your drive to be an independent, self-sustaining adult; (2), between your bad impulses and your conscience.

Furthermore, making it more complicated, you are torn between love and hate—there's a thin line there—and most frequent of all, over your role in the old human triangle.

The psychologists then explain triangles, and unless one is a 3

student in geometry, this becomes involved. They talk about relics from childhood.

Another psychiatrist says we dream every single night. But he adds, "dreams fade quickly, sometimes within a few seconds after you wake up." Remember your ideal who was falling off the cliff with you last night?

Sometimes after that stout yeoman, the sandman takes over, our naughty—this is where we came in—impulses come out. They say all of us are kleptomaniacs, sadists and pyromaniacs at heart.

Naturally, we're taught to suppress these desires. But in our dreams the bad impulses are opposed by the voice of conscience which is often represented by a policeman, parents, soldiers or a king.

If you have a single room, this isn't for you. But the unintelligible rumblings of your roommate may reveal a stimulating character, when he (or she) is under the hypnosis of the subconscious.

Conversely, however, if you dream with a sound track, roommate may begin to know your true character. So you psychoanalyze each other.

And if you're still dreaming in black and white, become an escapist and discover how fascinating a dream sequence can be. Perhaps you too can tune in for tomorrow's thrilling installment. Sweet dreams!