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Forensic Council Hits Topic Ban by Academies

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Forensic Council last night protested the banning of this year's debate topic by the United States army and navy academies and five other colleges.

The council passed a resolution protesting the ban of the topic, "Resolved: That the United States should extend diplomatic recognition to the Communist government of China."

It will send a copy of the resolution to the Speech Association of America, which selects the national intercollegiate debate topics.

"The ban is opposed," the resolution declares, "to the best interests of the nation, debate, and the ideals of democratic free speech."

Occurred This Week

Banning of the topic by the academies came to light this week and followed on the heels of similar action by four Nebraska state-supported teachers colleges and Mount St. Joseph College in Ohio. Mount St. Joseph has sent a questionnaire about the ban to 100 other colleges.

The grounds for the Ohio school's ban is that debaters on the affirmative side would become indoctrinated with communist policies.

Forensic Council's position on this, as stated in the resolution is: "The ban has no rational basis for the affirmative teams do not support the communist line but rather attempt to show how the United States would benefit by recognizing Red China."

Will Continue Debate

Council members decided to continue debating the topic as long as it remains the year's debate question.

The Army's official statement for banning the debate topic read:

"It is Department of Army policy not to have the U.S.M.A. cadets involved in debate on such a controversial subject on which in any event, national policy has been established."

The Naval Academy said that debating the affirmative side of the topic would lead to indoctrination of communist philosophy and party line. It stated:

Trained to Be Officers

"The Academy's young men in uniform are being trained to be naval officers, and to argue (even in a debate) the Communist party doctrine would make them liable to misrepresentations as well as providing the Reds a tremendous propaganda device."

The debate teams in presenting the affirmative case advocate recognition of Communist China as a necessity to conduct normal diplomatic affairs and secure a permanent peace pact in Korea. In the affirmative case recognition is only logical and practical because of the importance of both coun-

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Players Ask To Use TUB Permanently

Players president Deborah Peek announced yesterday that Players would like to have permanent facilities for Center Stage productions in the Temporary Union Building when the Hetzel Union Building opens in February.

Miss Peek said that Players were satisfied with their use of the TUB on Friday nights, but with permanent facilities space could be provided for dressing rooms and scenery storage. Players are currently presenting John Van Druten's "Bell, Book, and Candle," on Friday nights, but are unable to use the TUB on Saturday nights.

Arena-type plays had been previously presented in Woodmen Hall on Friday and Saturday nights, but the Hamilton Avenue facilities were unavailable for use this year.

The acting area used by Players in the TUB is the center of the ballroom floor, with seats arranged around it. The permanent stage is not utilized.

Three other productions have been scheduled for Center Stage presentation this academic year. Emelyn Williams' "The Corn Is Green" opens in the TUB on Dec. 3 for a six week Friday night run.

Game Expert Speaks Tonight

Randolph Thompson, former agriculture extension game specialist and retired member of the Pennsylvania Fish and Game Commission, will give an illustrated talk on "Pennsylvania Out of Doors" at a meeting of the Penn State Outing Club at 7:30 tonight in 121 Sparks.

The meeting is open to the public, and memberships for the club will be taken.

Part of the club will work on the Adirondack shelter at Beaver Dam Sunday afternoon. Other members will hold an outing and square dance at the Stone Valley Forestry Camp. Supper for both groups will be served at the Forestry Camp.

Club members will meet at 2 p.m. Sunday in back of Old Main.

Food Committee Posts To Be Filled by CPIC

Students interested in serving in the All-University Food Committee may apply for interviews with the Cabinet Personnel Interviewing Committee.

Applications are available at the Student Union desk in Old Main and must be returned to the desk by noon Wednesday, Donald Bell, CPIC chairman, said last night.

Robert Sturdevant is chairman of the foods committee.

Food Service Problems Aired Before AIM

By ANN LEH

Food service employees last night told the Board of Governors of the Association of Independent Men a "cost of \$14,400" was the main reason why double food lines can not be set up in the Pollock Dining Halls.

Two men, one of them Robert C. Proffitt, manager of food stores and food buyers, spoke to the group.

The men answered the board's questions on food service for nearly an hour but said any decisions would have to be made by food service director Mildred A. Baker or University Comptroller Samuel K. Hostetter.

Baker on Vacation

Miss Baker is now on vacation and is not expected to return to the University until sometime in December. The men last night said they were "sure" she'd visit the board on her return and give definite answers to its questions.

Proffitt said it would be necessary to hire eight extra workers plus two relief men to open an extra food line in the East Dormitory area. He estimated each would be paid \$160 a month for a nine-month year or a total cost of \$14,400.

He said he did not feel there would be a need for the extra food line next semester. He pointed out three food lines in the West Dorms now handle more than the three in the East Dorms area and an average of 200 men leave the East Dorm area at the end of the fall semester each year.

Extra Workers Impossible

Proffitt said it would be impossible to hire workers for the seven weeks or so more this semester they would be needed. He added that although the West Dorm lines handled more men, there had been no complaints from residents in that area.

However, several members of the board pointed out that while the West Dorm lines are inside, men in the East Dorm areas are forced to wait outside, often in snow or rain.

William Johnson, president of Nittany Council, said he hoped immediate action could be taken in that area to alleviate the long lines so possible disturbances in the future could be avoided.

Fight on Tuesday

He said that Tuesday night a fight resulted when one man attempted to cut into line out of turn.

In backing up this point, AIM President Robert Dennis said since 80 per cent of the Pollock area residents were veterans, often with quick tempers, he hoped some "stop-gap" measures could be found quickly to avert any serious trouble before it started.

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Food Issue Discussed By Council

Conditions in the dining hall in regard to service was the main issue in Pollock council's meeting Tuesday night.

Carl Polly, council president, reported on investigations into the possibility of a second line in Pollock dining hall. Polly said the University food service stated it would not be possible for men living in the Pollock area to work in the dining hall, as they had already paid their food bill for the semester.

Reports of the time checkers—students who timed themselves going through the food lines—were handed in, and council authorized their submittance to the dean of men's office in conjunction with a petition submitted earlier.

Plans were announced for a meeting of food service personnel with the Association of Independent Men's food committee to be held within a week on the matter of service in the dining hall.

Polly also announced that AIM had dropped the question of a Nittany-Pollock merger, and that any section along that line would have to be initiated by the living areas themselves.

The council also listened to a report on the state of repair of the parking areas and walks by Harry Martini, chairman of the council's committee on the physical plant.

Plans were discussed for Christmas decorations, but no action was taken because of the lack of knowledge of what AIM, which sponsors the decorations contest, plans to do.

President Gives Peace Formula

President Dwight D. Eisenhower called for a "modus vivendi"—a means of living together—as the only way for lasting peace in an address before the Association of Land Grant Colleges and Universities.

In a conciliatory and calm tone, the President asserted that greater understanding between people of the United States and the Soviet Union is necessary if total destruction is to be avoided.

Dr. Milton S. Eisenhower, president of the University, and 19 other University faculty and administration members attended the conference in Washington, D.C.

Ag Show Theme Is University Seal

The University seal will be the central theme for decorations at the 1955 Pennsylvania Farm Show Jan. 10-14 in Harrisburg, according to preliminary plans announced by the Farm Show Commission.

The seal will be used in honor of the show's dedication to the University as a tribute to its 100 years of service to Pennsylvania agriculture.

Dishonesty Puts Student On Probation

A student found guilty of unpremeditated academic dishonesty has been placed on probation by the discipline subcommittee of the Senate Committee on Student Affairs.

This was the student's first offense, according to a statement issued yesterday by the dean of men's office.

A notation of the probation will be placed on the student's records in the files of the dean of his college, his adviser, and the dean of men.

The student was warned that a second incident of a similar nature will be dealt with more severely, the dean's statement said.

Unpremeditated cheating, as defined in the report of the student encampment committee on academic honesty, consists of such incidents as looking on another student's paper during an exam. Premeditated cheating includes bringing answer lists or crib sheets to the examination.

The procedure used in handling this case closely parallels that recommended in the academic honesty report. The report, approved by All-University Cabinet several weeks ago, is now awaiting approval by the University Senate.

LA Council Vetoes Revision

Liberal Arts Student Council went on record Monday night as opposing an amendment to the All-University constitution which would require that duly appointed substitutes should take the place of absent members.

The amendment has been proposed by Robert Dennis, president of the Association of Independent Men.

Reasoning of the council in opposing the amendment was that its wording does not prevent a Cabinet member from appointing as his alternate for one meeting a student who is not a member of his organization.

The council also discussed sending delegates to the United Nations seminar Dec. 2-5 and to the National Student Association convention Dec. 10 in Philadelphia. It decided to contribute \$10 to the expenses of one NSA delegate. Rudolph Lutter, fifth semester arts and letters major, will represent the council at the convention.

Lantern Is Delayed; To Be Sold Monday

Due to technical difficulties, the Lantern, magazine of the College of the Liberal Arts, did not appear on Monday, as was previously announced.

The magazine will not be on sale until next Monday, according to Randell Washburn, associate editor.

Froth Still on Sale

Froth sales will continue today at the Student Union desk in Old Main, at the Corner Room, and at the Carnegie bulletin board.

Ike Asks Parties to Continue Bipartisan Foreign Policy

WASHINGTON, Nov. 17 (AP)—President Dwight D. Eisenhower appealed to congressional leaders of both parties today for continued bipartisanship on foreign and defense policies, in "the best interests of our nation."

Top Democrats, who will be leaders in the new Congress, indicated agreement with the President's view that such an approach is "essential"—provided they are consulted ahead of time on major, critical decisions.

Sen. Walter F. George (D-Ga.), slated to become chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, said Eisenhower promised such advance consultation "so far as that was practical."

For 24 hours, the President,

Secretary of State John Foster Dulles, Secretary of Defense Charles E. Wilson, and 22 Democratic and Republican congressional chieftains explored America's present and future course in the fields of foreign affairs and national security. They conferred in the White House Cabinet room at Eisenhower's invitation.

Those present included House Speaker Joseph W. Martin (R-Mass.), Rep. Samuel Rayburn (D-Tex.), who will succeed Martin as speaker in January, Republican and Democratic floor leaders and whips of both Senate and House, and top Democrats and Republicans on the Foreign Affairs, Armed Services, and Appropriations Committees.

Various participants described the meeting as entirely harmonious. They said no mention was made of the position of Senate Republican Leader William F. Knowland (R-Cal.) or of Knowland's Senate speech Monday urging a congressional review of foreign and defense policies.

Knowland said it should be determined whether "a basic change" in the direction of American foreign policy is desirable. He said there is a "clear and present danger" in the idea of peaceful coexistence with Russia that would give the Soviets time to build up an atomic arsenal and then start nibbling away at one nation after another.