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## McCarthy Blast: Local Boy Makes Good

The University has finally made a place for itself in the history books of 1955. It has gotten one of its noted personages attacked by the junior Senator from Wisconsin, Joseph R. McCarthy.

Cause of this noteworthy incident was McCarthy's Senate speech attacking "holdovers from the Roosevelt regime." He blamed the "holdovers" and Dr. Milton S. Eisenhower for the country's policy of "co-existence" with communism and favored a more aggressive policy of "liberation" for Soviet satellites.

Wednesday's episode was the first for McCarthy since his censure by the Senate on Dec. 2. The business of his investigation and resulting censure and his losing his committee because of the Democratic victories in November have kept him relatively subordinated for some time.

Now, however, he is attempting to once again regain the headlines of the nation's newspapers and the lead position on radio and television news programs. He is attempting it by the same tactics he has used during his entire career as a Washington agitator; tossing glittering generalities about with reckless abandon and making them so general it is impossible to find facts to support them even if they are true.

He seems to have been up to his old tricks—seeking publicity—in his latest attempt to discredit one of the outstanding citizens of the country. The unprincipled way in which he

issues vague charges in the Senate without recourse to proper channels indicates nothing else but the traits of a "publicity hound."

Apparently the McCarthy blast even failed to get off the ground this time if one can judge by the complete disregard the news services gave it. In most cases it was buried deep within the general Yalta Conference story of the day or, at best, received three or four inches by itself on an inside page. The reporters are on to his technique and are giving it its just deserts.

Probably the best play given the incident was in the Centre Daily Times and the Daily Collegian, the two newspapers most closely associated with the President. They gave it space, not to flatter McCarthy, but to show the world that he will attack even the President of Penn State. Actually, it is a case of "home town boy makes good."

There is no real distinction to being made the prey of the junior Senator from Wisconsin, and in his early tirades the victims often found their reputations ruined or at least put under suspicion. Dr. Eisenhower is a man of such stature he can shrug this attack off, but we still ask why it is necessary for him to bear the brunt of an unsubstantiated attack by McCarthy.

The incident will soon be forgotten for the charges are hollow blasts and they have failed to get the attention they were aimed after. Still, Penn State can boast a "local boy who made good"; he was blasted by McCarthy.

## That Food Question

Opening the Lion's Den and the Terrace Room to provide dining facilities for students is a very proper move for the University to take in extending a helping hand to the independent students living in the borough.

This is a necessary step in bettering the living conditions of these town dwellers and taking them from the ranks of the "forgotten men." Concern over their welfare and living facilities has always lagged behind that given to dormitory students and men living in fraternities. These dining areas now are added to the approved housing program sponsored by the dean of men's office as a service to these men.

Fear of the University's entering non-dormitory feeding on a large scale has centered largely among borough businessmen with interests in dining services. They are not alone in seeing this as a cause of consternation, however, and should not feel the University is entering upon unfair competition with them and attempting to hurt their livelihoods.

Actually, there is a need for this new facility in addition to those now existing downtown. The enrollment of the school is growing but not the number of large, centrally located eating places; the Allencrest just recently closed its doors. This additional competition should merely promote better service and food from all suppliers.

It can always be pointed out in a callous way that it is the University's responsibility to look out for its own regardless of the effect on local merchants. This is because students come here strangers and should know there are services available. We know, however, this is not the case between University Park and State College.

The University has offered a needed service to town independents. Local diners will find plenty of business through competition when the newness of the HUB wears off.

## Library: Later Hours

The Liberal Arts Student Council move this week to have the Pattee Library stay open till 11 p.m. during final exams warrants support from other college councils.

The reasons behind the motion need little explanation. Students using the library for research work could put an extra hour in the building to good use.

Students who do much of their studying in the Library would have an additional hour of uninterrupted quiet if the proposal were put into effect.

The council has come up with a good idea. We urge other schools to join in the campaign. —Peggy McClain

## Fire Escapes, Now!

Engineering students are aware of what is going on about them and what it means.

This is the impression given by the successful campaign they have conducted through their monthly publication, the Engineering Newsletter, for measures to make the Engineering units safe in case of fire. They carried the fight into the open and brought in off-campus authorities to substantiate their claims.

All this, however, was just so much talk until the University called in an inspector from the State Labor and Industry Board. He, too, doubted the safety of the buildings and suggested fire escapes at each end of Units A, B, C, and E. The University, we assume, is now in the process of contracting for these.

More than a victory for the students over the physical plant or an act of kindness on the part of the latter group, the entire episode represents student interest in action. Also, it shows how student agitation for betterment can be a controlled force by stating facts and using public opinion instead of striking and rioting.

Things have moved smoothly and successfully through this point. We are now awaiting the fire escapes.

## Little Man on Campus

By Bibler



"I've been practicing catching flies like you said, Coach, but I think I caught some bees, too."

## Yalta Discussion at . . .

# The Philing Station

By PHIL AUSTIN

The State Department's release of the official minutes of the Yalta conference is most interesting, mainly because it reveals that both schools of thought concerning the outcome of the meeting have been right.

The position of the Republicans, that the late President Franklin D. Roosevelt "sold us down the river" in the Far East, was far from destroyed. On the other hand, the view of the liberal element that Russian Premier Joseph Stalin failed to live up to agreements he made is also vindicated. Stalin drove a terrific bargain, that's beyond question.

However, the release of this information does make for political health within the United States. To a great extent one facet of American political policy has been proven: that the United States doesn't know itself what its policy should be in Asia.

It is unfortunate that the minutes of the Yalta conference—which was the last of the "Big Three" meetings—were the first to be released to the public. Valuable background information concerning the relations of Roosevelt, Stalin, and English Prime Minister Winston Churchill could be provided by the release of the other reports, and no judgment of Roosevelt's outlook can be made until these reports are released.

One good feature of the release shows the ineptitude of the Republicans to "repudiate" Yalta, since no repudiation can be made by the West at the present time without total war against Russia.

Three facts dominate the meeting. (1.) All concessions given by Russia to the West

dealt with European matters; (2.) Roosevelt attempted to play a role of arbitrator between two men more skilled in international politics than himself and (3.) Russia had a definite Far Eastern policy which she was determined to get by "hook" or "crook", and she capitalized on this conference to hook it.

Russia was not given her way in regard to the disposition of military zones and economy in Germany after the war, and the amount of German reparations. It sounds like Russia was trying to capitalize on its lost chance after the First World War to bleed Germany white (to make her red?). Russia also lost out temporarily on the disposition of the Polish government—she needed an election to gain control—and on allowing France to participate in the military occupation of Germany.

Russia got everything she asked as a price for her entrance into the war against (Continued on page five)

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