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4000 Penn Staters No Longer 'Guilty' Penn State men are no longer held suspect by the United States government. Neither are basic Reserve Officer Training Corps students University wrote in 1951. "They do not in the least help us to detect the traitorous or the criminal. Every lower I have talked to assures me that exist-

The Department of Defense has rescinded its loyalty oath requirement, according to the American Civil Liberties Union. Since most land-grant colleges and universities require all male students to complete two years of basic ROTC in order to be graduated, the law—had it stood—would have affected every man going to these colleges. This year, some 4000 men en-rolled in basic ROTC at the University were required to sign on the dotted line proclaiming

their loyalty and swearing they were not mem-bers of any 248 listed subversive organizations. The effect of asking a man to declare his loyalty is an unhealthy one. It is in conflict with some basic tenets of democracy. It violates the principle that a man is innocent until proven guilty. It weakens the effect of every other loy-alty procedure of the United States govern-ment. It requires the signer to blindly be loyal rather than allows him to find true reasons through education to uphold American democ-

The beauty of our democracy is that it does not require blind loyalty, that it survives scrutinization. Only when there is something wrong with it must a system be shielded from study. "Loyalty oaths neither create, nor prove, nor

lawyer I have talked to assures me that existing laws are ample to punish those who would betray their country or perjure themselves for treasonable purposes or otherwise be untrue to

their American heritage.
"There are seldom occasions, indeed, when an oath is a proper and impressive ceremony, an oath is a proper and impressive ceremony, but the oftener oaths are required, the hastier the ceremony, the less impressive the oath, and the greater the temptation to regard the oath as a minor and meaningless legal convention. "Loyalty oaths today are hampering government, weakening education, and restricting both research work and the distribution of the fruits of research among the peoples of the earth."

Requiring loyalty oaths of college students induces cynicism in the intelligent and blind obedience in the uninterested. Both effects are

obedience in the uninterested. Both effects are harmful and work against, not for, the country's best interests.

We are glad the Department of Defense has

come to realize this.

We are glad men will no longer be treated as if their loyalty was questionable.

We are glad to find another indication that the nation is leaving an ugly era of suspicion is provided to the discount in a false attempt to trap the disloyal.

Sour Grapes Are Out of Season

Spring semesters always end the same waysudden showers and sour grapes.

A lot of the students who worked hard all year hoping to be rewarded by big positions were disappointed after the last list of committee appointments was released.

There are many reasons why a particular student did not get the position he wanted, but he is questioned he will probably say, "They if he is questioned, he will probably say, "They just didn't like me. And I didn't really want it

After he has a chance to think it over, he might think the selections committee really made a bad mistake when it gave the chairman-ship to someone else, but he certainly won't go

out of his way to help the new chairman.

Perhaps all these reactions are justified.

Anger and disappointment lie at the root of hundreds of historical events. They have been the motivation for many projects, some worth-while, but many destructive.

Milton was disappointed with the restrictions on the press when he wrote his famous plea for freedom of the press, the Aeropagetica.

Glenn Cunningham was disillusioned when the doctors told him he would be handicapped for the rest of his life. His reaction was not self-pity or grief—instead he turned all his energy toward achieving something worthwhile. He became a record-breaking miler instead of a disappointed hypothondrian a disappointed hypochondriac.

Political disappointments have caused many

local 'little men on campus' to make fools of

themselves in past weeks.

The subtle ones have quietly ridiculed the worth of the position they didn't get while the hot-tempered ones are shouting 'dirty politics' to the selections committee that overlooked

And campus politics is again at their semes-

ters'-end low on the popularity pole.

In the minds of intelligent men and women seasonal gripes have no place. So what if the logical man for the job was not chosen to be All-University Blue Book Improvement Committee Chairman mittee Chairman.

Maybe the student who was selected is better qualified—more experience, better leadership

ability, and a higher average.

And if he isn't—a disappointed student is not justified to cut off his nose to spite his face. If a person is really interested in working, he can volunteer to be a committee member, or just an individual worker for the particular

But if working doesn't appeal to him—he may as well admit his ego is the only driving force and the desire to do something constructive, an unimportant factor.

To criticize the work of a competitor and belittle his position might put the "little man on campus" in the public eye for a while, but a respectable and lasting reputation can not be built upon bitterness and the childish sour

-Jackie Hudgins

Gazette..

Today

BUS AD STUDENT COUNCIL, 7 p.m., 107 Willard COLLEGIAN AD STAFF, 6:30 p.m., 111 Carnegie COLLEGIAN BUSINESS CANDIDATES, 7 p.m., 217 Willard COLLEGIAN BUSINESS STAFF, 7 p.m., 217 Willard FRESHMAN COUNCIL, 6:30 p.m., Commuter's Room, Woman's Building "S" CLUB, 8:30 p.m., 316 Sparks
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UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL David Cochran Eugene Hanlon, Gretchen Hauser, Anita Horvitz, Robert Kamps, Ha Ju Kim, Robert Petosky, Jona-than Plaut, Paul Pritchard, Andrew Schoerke, Ray Stewart, Irwin Weiss.

Chess Team Wins Intercollegiate Title

The University Chess team won the Pennsylvania Intercollegiate

The University team had previously defeated the Altoona Cen-

ministration from Philadelphia; Frederick Kerr, freshman in science from Allison Park; and Ronald Dietrich, freshman in elec-trical engineering from Hamburg.

national competition next year.

Pollock Council to Meet

New Philosophy Musical Program **Head Named**

Dr. Ernest H. Freund, associate Chess title Saturday by defeating professor of philosophy, has been tinuous music from 7:30 to 10:30 the University of Pennsylvania named head of the department of p.m. from Saturday through June philosophy for a three-year per- 8. The three-hour program will

ter chess team, winning the cenbecome effective July 1, was apmusic, and one hour of classical tral Pennsylvania title and be-proved at the May 13 meeting music.

Born in Berlin, Germany, Dr. Freund received his doctor of philosophy degree from the University of Freiburg.

Dr. Freund has served on the faculty at Penn State since 1946 Club president, Kerr, said the when he was named assistant proclub hopes to enter a team in the fessor of philosophy.

Ag Council to Meet Tonight

The Agriculture Student Coun-Pollock Council will meet at cil will hold its final meeting at from Pittsburgh, secretary-treas-6:30 tonight in Nittany Dorm 20. 7:30 tonight in 105 Agriculture.

Slated by WDFM

Campus radio station WDFM will broadcast three hours of conod.

The appointment, which will music, one hour of popular music, one hour of semi-classical

arts and letters from Washington, man rearmament. D.C., has been elected president of Parmi Nous, senior men's hat society.

Vernon Sones, junior in forestry from Butler, has been chosen vice president, and Donald Calvert, junior in mechanical engineering urer.

Little Man on Campus

By Bibler



"Darn those mosquitos at Whipples!"

Interpreting the News

Russia Plays Tough, Then Soft—Why?

Associated Press News Analyst A good many people are asking why Russia is being so tough in her relations with the Allies at Berlin while attempting to spread so much sweetness and light elsewhere.

After the experiences of the last 10 years, few people are willing to make categorical estimates of why Russia does anything the way she does. Diplomats everywhere make it a point not to center their

attention on any particular angle, lest they be distracted from others. Secretary of State John Foster Dulles emphasized in his report to the nation, after his recent round of conferences in Eur-

Two factors, at least, seem obious in the Berlin situation.

One is that, by getting her East German puppet govern-ment into a row with the West German Republic over the use and maintenance of highways, she is seeking to establish the Eastern government as a concrete entity, an equal entity, in future discussions of the reunification of Germany.

The other is an attempt to demonstrate to West Germany that, while Russia seems to be relax-p.m. today.

alize they are in an anomalous position. They threatened loudly before plans for West German rearmament were ratified, that such action would foreclose the hope of a negotiated settle-ment of the German question. Nevertheless, negotiations looking toward a settlement continue, even though the hope of concrete results is slim.

state title.

Dr. Freund has been acting head of the department of philososelected from the cross club, are Howard Kalodner, senior in education from Philadelphia; Harry Spayde, freshman in electrical engineering from Shamokin; Byron La Van, freshman in business ad
Morton Slakoff, station manager, announced yesterday that ager, announced yesterday that ager all the threatening noises he ager, announced yesterday that ager all the threatening noises he ager, announced yesterday that ager all the threatening noises he ager, announced yesterday that ager all the threatening noises he ager, announced yesterday that ager announced yesterday that ager announced yesterday that ager all the threatening noises he ager, announced yesterday that ager all the threatening noises he ager, announced yesterday that ager all the threatening noises he ager, announced yesterday that ager all the threatening noises he ager, announced yesterday that ager all the threatening noises he ager, announced yesterday that ager all the threatening noises he ager, announced yesterday that ager all the threatening noises he ager, announced yesterday that ager all the threatening noises he ager, announced yesterday that ager all the threatening noises he ager, announced yesterday that ager all the threatening noises aformance ager. The ager all the threatening noises aformance ager all the threatening noises aformance ager all the th that has descended over Molotov o.m. on weekends.

ern diplomats already had guessed, but it was not the same Molotributed among the fields of scitov who a short time before had been predicting World War III if the Allies persisted in West Gertowards, and 7:50 to 10:30 ern diplomats already had guesstributed among the fields of scitov who a short time before had been predicting World War III if the Allies persisted in West Gerthe Corporation, which are distributed among the fields of scitov who a short time before had been predicting World War III if the Allies persisted in West Gerthe Corporation, which are distributed among the fields of scitov who a short time before had been predicting World War III if the Allies persisted in West Gerthe Corporation, which are distributed among the fields of scitov who a short time before had been predicting world war III if the Allies persisted in West Gerthe Corporation, which are distributed among the fields of scitov who a short time before had been predicting world war III if the Allies persisted in West Gerthe Corporation, which are distributed among the fields of scitov who a short time before had been predicting world war III if the Allies persisted in West Gerthe Corporation which are distributed among the fields of scitov who a short time before had been predicting world war III if the Allies persisted in West Gerthe Corporation which are distributed among the fields of scitov who a short time before had been predicting world war III if the Allies persisted in West Gerthe Corporation which are distributed among the fields of scitov who a short time before had been predicting world war III if the Corporation which are distributed among the fields of scitov who a short time before had been predicting which are distributed among the fields of scitov who a short time before had been predicting which are distributed among the fields of scitov who a short time before had been predicting which are distributed among the fields of

At one point he seems to have gotten off the Krushchev-Bulganin track by agreeing with Dulles that the chiefs of state, at their meeting, might as well confine themselves to a relatively brief general discussion of issues were which the forof issues upon which the foreign ministers and their assistants might go to work. The

Kremlin now gives signs of wanting a lengthier and therefore more detailed discussion at the top.
Regardless of Russia's exact

ope, that he wasn't sure about motives at any given point in all Russia's immediate objectives. and more clearly through the fog that she is just maneuvering, rather than intending to produce concrete peaceful results.

5 O'Clock Theater Presents 'Starlit'

"Starlit," written by Delores Herzing, senior/in arts and letters from Erie, will be the final Five O'Clock Theater presentation at 5

while Russia seems to be relaxing pressures in preparation for Big Four negotiations, everybody should remember she is still in a position to cause a lot of trouble if she wishes. It's a sort of warning that if her blandishments are spurned she is capable of revenge.

The Russians undoubtedly re
The domestic comedy, similar to the Corliss Archter-type play, has Jane White, sophomore in arts and letters from Lewistown, in the lead role as a 17-year-old daughter. Carole Hite, sophomore in education from Hershey; Judith Hartman, junior in arts and letters from Quakertown; Mark Wallace, junior in education from Wallace, junior in education from Bristol; and John R. Valentine, senior in arts and letters from Bethlehem; also have feature roles in the play.

Midge Lippy, senior in arts and letters from Arlington, Va., will direct the play.

Viscose Corporation One curious thing is the quiet Renews Fellowships

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