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## After the Fire



—Daily Collegian Photo by Al Kinzinger  
CHARLES DIROCCO, a former student in journalism from Philadelphia, surveys the fire and water damage in the apartment gutted by fire last night at the Traveler's Lodge Motel. He was living there while seeking readmittance to the University.

## Borough Apartment Destroyed by Fire

Three students and a former student sustained extensive loss of personal property when their basement apartment on N. Atherton St. was gutted by fire early yesterday evening.

A spark-shooting, blue-flamed electric fire broke out in their Traveler's Lodge Motel apartment about 6 p.m.

The four men are Howard Kreps, sophomore in business administration from Pittsburgh; Larry McAfee, sophomore in the division of intermediate registration from Port Allegany; Anthony Tirdel, and Charles DiRocco, former student in journalism.

### Working Out Back

Two of the occupants, DiRocco and Kreps, were in the rear of the motel working on Kreps' car when they noticed sparks shooting 10 to 20 feet away from the building.

They ran inside to an upstairs phone but, when they found it was not working, ran across the highway to the Victory Diner and reported the fire from there.

Bruce Homan, fire marshal, and Thomas Sauers, fire chief, of the Alpha Fire Company believe the fire may have been caused by an electric stove burner which was left on "high" directly underneath a set of fuse boxes in the apartment.

### Burner Turned on 'High'

These fuse boxes supplied the entire building and the one electric burner was still turned on "high" when the basement apartment was inspected.

All the firemen were forced to use respirators to combat the dense smoke resulting from the blaze.

One Alpha fireman, James Neight, was overcome by smoke and had to be given respiration. When he recovered sufficiently, he was carried to the Alpha Emergency Truck.

A charred window-box, located directly above a window to the basement apartment, testifies to the flames and smoke that poured from the window in the earlier stages of the fire.

### Smoke-Ejector Used

Alpha firemen used a smoke-ejector, a red, circular fan that works in reverse, to extract the dense smoke from the basement apartment.

At approximately 6:35 p.m., the firemen roped off a large area surrounding the motel to hold back the large crowd of college

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# Cabinet OK's Group To Seek AM Fund

By PAT EVANS

All-University Cabinet after lengthy debate last night approved the appointment of a student committee to seek reallocation of the \$28,000 student press fund for an AM student radio station.

President Eric A. Walker is expected to brief the University Board of Trustees at its meeting tonight and tomorrow on action taken to date on the proposed AM station. The

## House OK's \$1.5 Billion School Bill

WASHINGTON, May 9 (AP) — The House Education Committee voted 20-9 today for a bill to provide \$1.5 billion in federal aid for public school construction.

The bill, although trimmed a half billion dollars in committee yesterday, still faced rough going because of the economy drive in Congress.

Rep. Cleveland M. Bailey (D-W.Va.), a leading supporter of the legislation, said he was sure that the reduction helped its changes and he was "inclined to think" it would pass the House.

### Bill Called 'Bipartisan'

On the other hand, Rep. William H. Ayres (R-Ohio) said that "barring an unforeseen outcry from the public, there isn't a leader pigeon on the 'awaiting action' roose on Capitol Hill" than the school bill.

Bailey called the bill approved by the committee today a "really bipartisan" compromise. Here is a comparison:

Committee bill — 300 million dollars a year for five years in grants to the states, with distribution to be based half on basis of school age population and half on the basis of need.

Administration bill — 325 million dollars a year for four years, a total of \$1,300,000,000, with distribution to be based on need.

### Democrats Offer Bill

Democrats' bill offered by Rep. Augustine B. Kelley (D.Pa.) — 600 million dollars a year for six years, a total of \$3,600,000,000, distribution to be based on school age population.

Other obstacles to the school bill's passage include the prospect that the House might attach an amendment forbidding the use of any money in school districts which practice racial segregation. The House voted such an amendment last year, and school aid legislation was thereupon killed.

approval of the board is necessary before any station could be established.

Edward Dubbs, editor of The Daily Collegian, told Cabinet that the trustees probably would not approve the proposed station unless there were funds available for its establishment. He said it is unlikely that the trustees would permit use of student fees or state appropriations for the station.

The point of "either putting up the money or shutting up" has been reached, according to All-University President Robert Steele.

### Harkison Requests Committee

Establishing the committee to work for the fund reallocation was recommended in a report given by Judith Harkison, Collegian managing editor.

She said the University has found that an unused AM frequency is available for the State College area, and must decide whether to apply to the Federal Communications for a license.

Between \$20,000 and \$30,000 would be needed to set up the non-commercial station. The cost of the station's yearly operation would probably be no more than that of WDFM, which comes out of student fees, Miss Harkison said.

The proposed student press would cost between \$100,000 and \$150,000, according to the report.

### 5 Students Appointed

Steele appointed the following students to the fund reallocation committee: Dubbs; George Smith, freshman class president; John Sopko, sophomore class president; George Sellers, junior class president; and Thomas Hollander, senior class president.

The committee will consult the presidents and secretaries of the classes of 1948, '49, '50, and '52 and urge them to consider a re-designation of the class gifts. The gifts, a total of \$28,000, were used to set up the student press fund.

The committee will ask the officers to agree on a poll of members of each class on changing the gift allotment. The Alumni Association could do the actual polling.

### Classes Must Approve

The press fund may be reallocated with the approval of the classes and the Board of Trustees. Each member of the four classes must be contacted and an affirmative answer received from a majority of those responding.

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## NSA Dealt Blow In Cabinet Vote

All-University Cabinet last night rejected plans to send delegates from the University to the National Student Association national congress in Ann Arbor, Mich., this summer.

Observers considered the vote a blow to any possible come-back by NSA next fall.

Former All-University president Robert Bahrenburg vetoed University membership in NSA this semester. However, dues are paid up until October.

Edwin Henrie, new NSA co-ordinator, submitted an outline report on the cost of sending two delegates to the congress. He estimated the total cost would be \$222.

Robert Stroup, president of Engineering Council, moved that Cabinet send two delegates to the Congress.

Then Joseph Boehret, All-University secretary-treasurer, moved to send only one delegate to the congress by bus instead of two by University station wagon as asked for by Henrie. Boehret estimated this cost to be \$105.20.

Henrie told Cabinet that the delegates would have the opportunity at the congress to communicate and exchange ideas with students from other universities. He said that discussions would include the part of student governments in the college expansion programs.

Both the amendment and the original motion were voted down.

## Lion Swelters; Showers Seen

Yesterday, despite the sun, the Mittany Lion was an attentive spectator to the ceremonies which the ROTC units are currently going through in preparation for Armed Forces Day next Thursday.

By chance, the Lion was standing in the spot

being used as a reviewing stand; and he was in turn inadvertently honored by the Navy, the Army, and the Air Force.

Deciding that they must have been hinting that they need him as supreme commander, the Lion spent all morning making plans to use them in a grand march against the University Weather Station. Any qualms he might have had, concerning such a move, were removed by the station's report for today: temperatures ranging between 76-82 with scattered thundershowers.

### Cabinet Keys Available

All-University Cabinet members of 1955-56 who ordered keys may obtain them in the Associated Student Activities office, 201 Hetzel Union.

## Kiwanis Clubs Sponsor Visits

The campus has been so crowded with outdoor activities recently — cheerleader practice, drill teams, green grass grinders and just strollers — that it would seem it just couldn't hold any more.

But on May 18 more than 800 students from 10 central Pennsylvania high schools will "invade" the University on a tour being sponsored by the Kiwanis Clubs of the area.

The students will tour the campus, visiting areas of their particular vocational interest. They will also see sports attractions and other events.

Dr. George R. Hudson, assistant professor of education, will deliver a guidance talk during the morning at Schwab Auditorium.

## Review

# Teahouse Is 'Delightful' Show

By DAVE FINEMAN

With excellent timing and just the right amount of theatrical magic, "The Teahouse of the August Moon" moved quickly through two-and-a-half hours of delightful entertainment last night in Schwab Auditorium.

The Players' hit production is the story of an errant Army captain who is assigned to the task of democratizing and Americanizing an obscure Okinawan village, but his Washington cookbook methods fail because they overlook the cultural habits of the fairy-tale village.

What was supposed to be — according to the Army's "Plan B" — a pentagon-shaped schoolhouse becomes a lovely "chaya," or teahouse. What was supposed to be the "Ladies'

League for Democratic Action" becomes a bewitching group of newly-trained "geisha girls."

And what is supposed to materialize into a thriving industrial community becomes the "brandy center" of Okinawa.

These developments, of course, bring much trouble from the Army, but things eventually turn out for everyone.

Top, but by no means the only, honors go to Harry Jones for his portrayal of Sakini, the narrator and imperturbable philosopher. His delivery was smooth and special mention must be made of his Oriental manner and speech which was pleasingly consistent throughout the evening.

Gilbert Aberg turned in a commendable performance as the stuffed-shirted, incredulous Colonel Wainwright Purdy III.

Through Aberg, the colonel became as pompous and as provin-

cial as his name would indicate. His boisterous veneration for the name "Washington" serves to carry a humorous satire through the play.

Captain Fisby, the martial law of Tobiki, was played admirably by George Vlachos. Fisby is a likeable chap who gradually embraces the primitive, yet enchanting, way of life of the little village.

Some difficult scenes are done by Vlachos with a noteworthy naturalness, especially the riotous scene where Lotus Blossom, his geisha girl, disrobes him while he tries, in vain, to convince the colonel over the telephone that he is doing his job in Tobiki.

As his new-found personality develops, Fisby agrees with the villagers' "majority decision" that a teahouse is more important than the pentagon-shaped schoolhouse. (Continued on page five)

