

Editorials

It Hits Closer to Home

The effects of, say, a million dollar cutback in defense expenditures here and another half million there are often difficult for the public to see.

It is not until the effects hit close to home, such as with the Ordnance Research Laboratory, that they become apparent.

A cutback in funds for the laboratory—the one Penn State got because Harvard didn't want it—will necessitate reducing the staff by 42 employees.

Dean Merritt A. Williamson of the College of Engineering and Architecture said the reason for the reduction is the curtailing of funds appropriated by Congress for the Department of Defense.

There is no doubt that the cutback in funds will hamper the operations of the laboratory. How much so remains to be seen.

The functions of the laboratory include extensive research in underwater missiles and equipment for the Navy and an instructional program.

President Eric A. Walker, in a speech given Oct. 9 in Washington, said there was some feeling among University personnel that research programs are not basic enough and thus do not permit freedom to inquire and create.

It was in this speech that Walker emphasized the importance of basic research. "This is the area of our potential strength, for without advances in the basic science, applied science will sooner or later die of malnutrition," he said.

"Creativeness required for research," he said, "is often destroyed by timetables." To this can be added budgets.

Walker called the "academic atmosphere" a university provides and the repository of knowledge it represents two reasons why the Navy can gain by having research done on a campus.

He also said naval research is sometimes advanced further and faster at a university than in an industrial or government laboratory "simply because the university attracts a different type of person than industry and government do."

Probably at no period in history has America needed more research in the basic and applied sciences (and we cannot attain results from applied science without first doing work in basic science).

Speaking to the Naval Research Advisory Board yesterday, the President said the amount of money spent on research in the physical sciences must be doubled "if we are to stay in the race for technical superiority."

Sputnik showed us this need. This now-silent satellite proves the Soviet Union's commanding lead in certain vital areas in the race for world scientific and technological supremacy.

"As for the U.S. satellite program," concluded the New York Times after a survey of scientists, "the consensus is that this was gravely handicapped from the start for budget reasons. Skimping on funds means working on a vehicle with such marginal specifications that serious troubles were bound to be encountered."

It is indeed unfortunate that budget cuts will hamper the work of the Ordnance Research Laboratory.

Since the effects of budget cuts have hit closer to home, we should demand with renewed emphasis that Congress meet this challenge of world scientific and technological supremacy whatever the costs.

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Gazette

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Hillel Comparative Religion lecture, 8 p.m. at foundation
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Ethyl Corp: Nov 14 MS, PhD in Chem, F.T.
Ohio Dept. of Highways: Nov 14 BS in CE, ME, MinE
Lukens Steel: Nov 14 BS in Metal, ME, CE, IE
General Electric Co: Nov 14, 15 BS, MS in AeroE, Cer, CHE, EE, EngSci, IE, ME, Phys, Metal
Boy Scouts: Nov 14 BS, BA, MS in BusAd, LA, Ed. PhysEd, Psych for men interested in professional scouting
Armco Steel Corp: Nov 14 BS, MS, PhD in Chem, EE, IE, ME, Metal, Chem, Phys, for research and development; CE, ArchE, AgrE, ME for sales in drainage and metal products
Hercules Powder Co: Nov 14, 15 MS, PhD in Chem, CHE

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TONIGHT ON WDFM
6:45: Sign on and News; 7:00: Contemporary Concepts; 7:50 State News and National Sports; 8:00: Guest D-J; 8:30: Showcase; 9:00: News, Local, National and World; 9:15: Special Events; 10:00: News; 10:05: Chamber Concert; 11:30: News and Sign-off.

Russians—

(Continued from page one) the Nittany Lion Inn. Included on the menu was a salad with—you guessed it—Russian dressing.

And they said there was no such thing as Russian dressing in Russia.

After lunch they went to the office of Dr. Robert G. Bernreuter, special assistant to the President for student affairs, for a press conference.

After a round of hand-shaking, they sat down and questions were fired at them.

This is what they said: About the ouster of Marshal Georgi K. Zhukov: "We've been traveling." They said they didn't know any more than what they had been reading in the American press.

On Sputnik: "A great scientific achievement." It shows American scientists "they may find more interesting facts in our country."

Peaceful coexistence: "There is no reason for any war." Neither the American nor the Russian people want it. "Cooperation doesn't disclude competition." "Russia wants peaceful competition and peaceful existence."

Red Teachings—

(Continued from page one) the university each year and it can only accept 4000-5000, entrance examinations are used.

But students may attend other colleges without the examinations, he said.

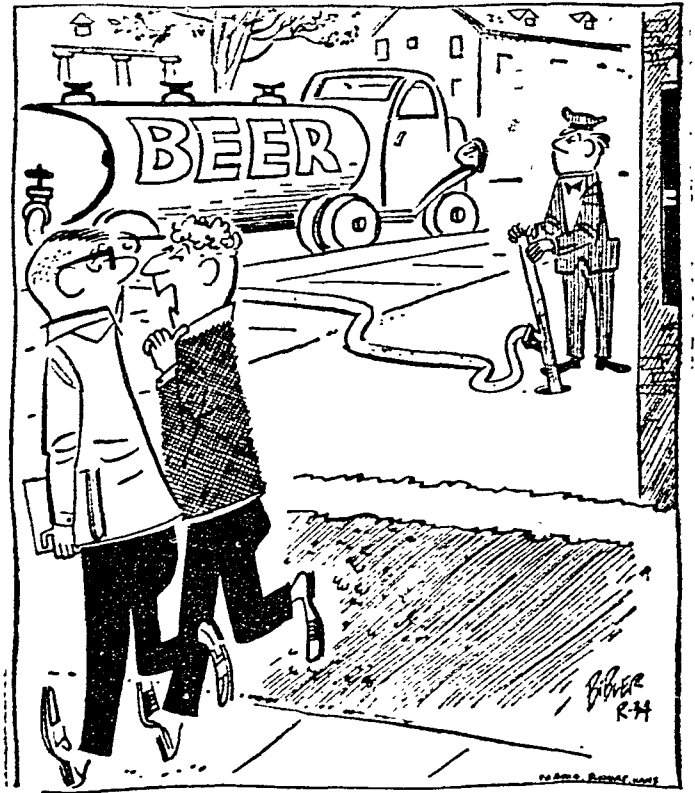
The four Russians arrived on campus about 1:30 p.m. After a press conference at 2:30 p.m., they answered—and asked—questions at a 3:10 class on Russian government and history.

Following a dinner in Waring Hall last night, they toured students' rooms and inspected facilities in McKee Hall. They also attended a fraternity-sorority mixer at Phi Gamma Delta.

The Russian diplomats will meet with President Eric A. Walker at 9:30 a.m. today. Before they leave campus at 11 a.m., they will visit chemistry laboratories and art classes.

After leaving the University, they will visit Williamsport and Scranton.

Little Man on Campus by Dick Bibler



"I understand th' SIGMA PHI NOTHINGS are a bunch of 'PARTY' boys."

Maybe Khrushy Has A Tiger by the Tail

By WILLIAM L. RYAN

AP Foreign News Analyst

Continued silence on Marshal Georgi Zhukov's future indicates the Communist party has a tiger by the tail. Party boss Nikita Khrushchev apparently has touched off an internal crisis he wanted to avoid. Old soldier Zhukov may have proved just a bit tough to handle.

In his chat with correspondents Tuesday night Khrushchev scoffed at reports the Communist party Central Committee was in session. But there are many indications to the contrary. Khrushchev has denied many things which later turned out to be true.

There can be little question that he has been trying to master a major political crisis. Here is one possibility—admittedly speculative:

There have been indications the party's grip on the army-control through party spies in the officer corps and the ranks—has been slipping.

Zhukov has resisted the system. The party demands complete subservience by all branches of Soviet life, including the military. Its authority is jeopardized if this control slips. Khrushchev and his party cohorts had to do something.

They felt Zhukov had to be ousted from direct control over the armed forces. Confident he could swing it, Khrushchev had Zhukov removed as minister of defense. He was going to offer Zhukov another high position—perhaps premier in place of Bulganin—but with no great shock to party, public or army.

Zhukov rejected the offer. Khrushchev was caught by surprise.

The Central Committee was called into session. The party faced an unpalatable choice. The marshal had defied its authority.

If this were known publicly, he would have to be punished. So it did not become known publicly. All this, it must be repeated, is based on speculation. But it seems a plausible explanation, natural because of increased censorship.

Rain, Witches Frighten Lion

The threat of possible thunder-showers was not the only thing which sent the Nittany Lion scurrying into his cave in the early hours of this morning.

On one of his nightly appearances outside his cave, the Lion spotted a terrible looking creature lurking overhead. After some consultation with his cobwebbed brain the Lion remembered what day it is.

The orange and black colored witch, riding a long thin broom, will make her yearly Halloween visit to Centre County tonight.

She will bring mild, isolated showers for this afternoon with the mercury expected to reach 55-60.

