

Cabinet Backs Compulsory ROTC

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Refuses to Endorse Voluntary Plan, 18-6

The fight for voluntary ROTC died last night as far as All-University Cabinet is concerned, killed by a vote of 18 to 6 after three weeks of debate.

Discussion of citizenship training and civil defense was postponed until the next Cabinet meeting.

Time-worn after postponements and intervening vacations, the debate sank to an anticlimax last night. Both sides held their original points, both maintaining that the national defense would be better served by voluntary and compulsory programs respectively.

Robert Nurock, Liberal Arts Student Council president and the most outspoken of those favoring voluntary ROTC, told Cabinet members he felt that the suggestion for voluntary ROTC is "a positive one better for Penn State."

He said the military benefits of ROTC would be available to fewer but better cadets and denied the assumption that better officers could be gotten with more students to select from.

He held that the applicants for advanced courses from a voluntary basic program would have received better training and thus be better qualified.

Nurock held up the Defense Department as being indifferent

U.S. Defense Plan Meets NATO Okay

PARIS, Dec. 19 (AP)—The NATO conference adopted a nuclear age defense strategy of U.S. design today to meet the Soviet menace.

The 15-nation Atlantic Alliance also offered in a wind-up communique to meet the Russians on the foreign minister level to discuss disarmament, an issue now stalled in the United Nations.

British sources suggested later that other issues also might be discussed.

President Eisenhower hailed the decisions as bringing the ideal of peace a little closer as he boarded the presidential plane Columbine III for the overnight journey to Washington. There he will report to the American people Monday over radio and TV at 8:30 p.m. EST.

Secretary of State John F. Dulles called a strategy of victory the plans to gird NATO nations in Europe with U.S. 1,500 mile range missiles and nuclear arms, while keeping open the door for talks with Moscow.

The results of the four day meeting of government heads were interpreted by diplomats as a victory for both those who wanted NATO to stress negotiations, and those who wanted to concentrate on military defenses.

West German Chancellor Konrad Adenauer, advocate of trying all means of reaching agreement with the Kremlin, said he was delighted with the results of the conference.

Adenauer's position for negotiation was backed by Prime Minister Macmillan of Britain, Premier Felix Gaillard of France, Premier Einar Gerhardsen of Norway and other European leaders.

The final communique called for full speed ahead in equipping NATO with nuclear stockpiles and intermediate range ballistic missiles. The step was called necessary because the Communist rulers had given clear warning they intended to rule the world by force of subversion.

The U.S. weapons are expected to begin moving to NATO nations within a year or 18 months. Base sites will be negotiated. This leaves such reluctant nations as Norway and Denmark free to refuse the missiles.

At the request of Norway, backed by the Danes, the conference emphasized that NATO was so arming only because the Soviet Union forced it to.

ROLL CALL VOTE For Voluntary ROTC

Name	Position	Vote
Rhodes	All-U VP	No
Boehret	All-U S-T	No
Hart	IFC	No
Morgan	AIM	No
Smith	WSGA	No
Antes	Panel	No
Jablonski	Leonides	No
Hollander	St. Class	No
Fellers	Jr. Class	Yes
Ott	Sophomore Class	No
Thompson	Freshman Class	No
Beatty	Ag	No
Walker	Bu-Ad	No
McDonnell	Chem-Phys	Yes
Paynter	Ed	No
Stroup	Eng-Arch	No
Moran	Home Ec	No
Nurock	LA	Yes
*Stratton	MI	Yes
Ruslavage	PhysE	No
Dubbs	Collegian	Yes
Fridy	Drama	No
Johnston	AA	Yes
Drumm	WRA	No
Totals		6-18

*alternate

to the voluntary-versus-compulsory question, since, he said, its attitude has been "qualified and modified."

James Hart, president of the Interfraternity Council and a supporter of compulsory ROTC, said that previously cited figures are misleading which attempted to show that Minnesota's officer production improved under a voluntary program.

He admitted that 7.8 per cent of the student body in 1930-34—under a compulsory program—received commissions and that 9.9 per cent received commissions under a voluntary program in 1950-54. But, he said, the figure of 7.8 per cent applies to a period when the attitude was, "In order to be a proper citizen one had to be a peace-loving citizen."

Therefore, he said, the figures (Continued on page twelve)



—Daily Collegian photos by Joe Patton and George Harrison

Wet Roads Predicted For Homeward Trek

State police have predicted students will have wet but not icy traveling conditions for their trip home for the Christmas vacation.

Trooper Leonard J. Washkewicz of the Rockview state police sub-station said practically all highways will be wet for the trek home but none should be icy. However, students were warned to "take it easy" on the wet highways since many are slippery just by being wet.

Washkewicz said there are no detours in the region to delay the students. He said there are no new detours in the state that were not up over Thanksgiving.

The vacation will officially begin at 11:50 a.m. tomorrow. Since no vacation extension has been granted, classes will be resumed as now scheduled at 8 a.m. Friday, Jan. 3.

Today's issue of The Daily Col-

legian will be the last published until Saturday morning, Jan. 4. There will also be an issue published Monday, Jan. 6. The Collegian will publish daily until Saturday, Jan. 11 which will be the last issue of the semester.

University offices will be closed from 5 p.m. next Tuesday until 8 a.m. Dec. 30 and also on New Year's Day.

The Pattee Library will close at noon tomorrow and during the rest of the vacation will be open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. except it will be closed all day Dec. 22, from Dec. 25 to



29, and on New Year's Day. The regular schedule of 7:50 a.m. to 10 p.m. will be resumed Jan. 3.

The Hetzel Union Building will observe the following schedule: 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., Dec. 21 to 23; 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Dec. 24; closed from Christmas day until Dec. 29; 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Dec. 30 and 31, and closed Jan. 1. The regular schedule will be resumed Jan. 2.

The Lion's Den will close today and reopen at 7:15 a.m., Jan. 2. The Terrace Room will close at noon Dec. 24 and reopen at noon, Jan. 2.

The Helen Eakin Eisenhower Chapel program center will be closed from noon tomorrow until Jan. 2. However, the Meditation Chapel and Roman Catholic Chapel will be open daily from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. during the vacation.

Spring Week Cut One Day; Hours for Carnival Extended

By LYNN WARD

The Senate Committee on Student Affairs cut one day off the proposed Spring Week schedule yesterday, restricting the "week's" activities to three days.

While cutting the length of time, the committee approved all the events—coronation of Miss Penn State, Carnival, He-Man contest, awards night and the substitution of a float parade for the Mad-Hatters contest.

The reasons given for restricting the activities to three days were:

•It takes too much time from studying.

•Professors are afraid to schedule blue books or give

assignments during this period. •Students lose interest in Spring Week when it is extended over four days.

Dean of Men Frank J. Simes said, "Last year they had to beat the drums to get people interested in events at the end of the week."

James Jimirro, Spring Week chairman, said the committee will try to include all five events in the three days, as there was no limit set by the Senate committee on the events in the three day schedule.

He said, "I don't think it's going to matter and in the end we'll have a fuller, better and more concentrated Spring Week."

The request for a float parade to be held in place of the Mad-Hatters contest was made because of the reported lack of interest

shown in the contest last year and this year, Jimirro said.

One concession to the Spring Week schedule made by the committee was the extension of carnival until midnight. Formerly the carnival ran from 6:30 to 11 p.m. Dean Simes said all coeds will receive late permissions for the carnival.

The extra hour was added to carnival to give people more time to see the shows and all the work that goes into carnival, according to Jimirro.

Plans for Senior Ball to be held on the Friday night of Spring Week were not changed.

Jimirro said the Spring Week committee will work up a new schedule for the three days and present it to the Senate Committee on Student Affairs for approval sometime after the Christmas vacation.

Glenn Notes Flu Increase

Dr. Herbert R. Glenn, director of the health center, said yesterday the infirmary has seen an increase in the number of flu cases in the past few days.

He said the number of cases is still low, but he recommended that students have flu shots as soon as possible, either at the infirmary or at home. Students who have had one shot have been urged to get another.

Glenn said the U.S. Public Health Service has predicted that the Asiatic flu will hit the hardest in January.

He said the infirmary has made no special plans or arrangements in anticipation of a January increase, but the infirmary can increase its capacity at a moment's notice. The normal capacity of the infirmary is 60.

Teachers' Tests to Be Given

National Teacher Examinations will be given Feb. 15, at the University.

ONLY 1 MORE DAY TO SHOP IN STATE COLLEGE