



Philipsburg Sophomore Killed, 2 Hurt in Vacation Accidents

One student was killed and two others injured in two separate accidents during the Christmas vacation.

James Murray, sophomore in mechanical engineering from Philipsburg, was killed when his sports car spun out of control and overturned early Sunday morning, Dec. 28 on the Kylertown Highway near Philipsburg.

State police at Philipsburg said Murray died of a probable fractured skull and broken

Ex-Student Arrested For Thefts

By DON CASCIATO

A former Penn State student, two Temple University students and a 19-year-old Atlantic City girl were charged last Tuesday with staging \$22,000 in jewel robberies in Miami, Fla.

Miami police identified the suspects as: Stephen Rade, 21, from Philadelphia, Henry Herskowitz, 20, Ventnor, N.J., Bernard Friedman, 25, who claims to be a student at the University, and Jacqueline Courtman, 19, of Atlantic City, N.J.

Rade was a student here last year until he was dismissed for cashing forged checks and possessing an unregistered pistol, a violation of the firearms act. Friedman claims to be a student at the University, but his name could not be found in the main campus directory.

The 30 jewel robberies all occurred in swank hotels on the Miami beachfront.

All the jewelry was recovered, police said, when officers intercepted a suitcase the girl had addressed to a box number in the main post office at Philadelphia.

The authorities said the foursome entered the rooms of guests who were just about to check out, but who had not yet had the bell hop pick up their luggage. Once the guests checks out, one of the foursome would sign for the room, entering it before the bell hop arrived.

Herskowitz and Rade were arrested Dec. 28, in the Americana Hotel by Detective Sgt. John Delaney, of the nearby Bay Harbour police. Delaney said that he found in their possession three room keys and \$150 worth of travelers checks stolen from the Sherry Frontenac Hotel in Miami Beach.

Friedman was held on \$250 bail and his alleged companions in \$1500 bail on charges of receiving stolen goods, disorderly conduct and vagrancy. An additional charge of grand larceny (Continued on page eight)

neck. A passenger in the Murray car, Patricia Danko of Clarence, was in good condition at Philipsburg State Hospital, having suffered lacerations and abrasions of the face.

State police said Murray was driving toward Kylertown when he lost control of the car on a curve. The car swerved off the road on the right side, came back onto the highway and went off the left side where it upset on its roof, pinning the victim between the seat and the ground.

Murray, who was graduated from Philipsburg High School in 1954, attended the Stevens Trade School in Lancaster, where he was graduated in 1957 as valedictorian of his class.

He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Omer Murray; a brother, Omer Murray Jr. and a grandmother, Mrs. Lucinda Murray.

Two students were injured at 2:30 p.m. Sunday when a car traveling south on Route 220 was in a collision with another about 3½ miles north of Tyrone.

The car, driven by Bachan Singh, graduate student in physics from India, was traveling south toward Altoona when it skidded on a patch of ice and collided with another car, driven by Alan Norman, senior in electrical engineering from Pittsburgh, according to state police at Hollidaysburg. Police said the Singh car was traveling at a high rate of speed when the mishap occurred.

Taken to Tyrone Hospital were Mary Rowe, junior in journalism from Monessen, and Samuel Githens, senior in electrical engineering from Belle Vernon, both passengers in the Norman vehicle. Githens, who suffered cuts of the face, hands and knee, was discharged from the hospital yesterday and Miss Rowe, who suffered a fractured left arm and contusions of the chest, is listed in good condition at the hospital.

Also riding in the Norman car was Rowland Wilkinson, senior in petroleum and natural gas engineering from Munhall, who was uninjured. Passengers in the Singh car were Atam Arya and Madan Kaushish, graduate students in physics from India, and Carl Ventrice, graduate in physics from York. They were taken to Tyrone Hospital where they were treated and discharged.

Swarthmore Fraternity Disaffiliates

In protesting against discriminatory membership restrictions, one of the five social fraternities at Swarthmore College has left its national organization and established a local fraternity.

The action by the Pennsylvania Kappa chapter of Phi Delta Theta fraternity was approved by 190 Swarthmore alumni and undergraduates who own the fraternity house on the campus.

As a result of their protest and subsequent action, the new fraternity, Tau Alpha Omicron, was established and will use the Phi Delta Theta house.

For 10 years, the Swarthmore chapter of Phi Delta Theta sought to remove the national organization's membership restrictions against Negroes, Orientals, Jews and other non-Christians. At each biennial national convention of the fraternity since 1948, the Swarthmore unit has fought to end these restrictions, but each time it was turned down.

Last April, the Swarthmore chapter announced its intention to withdraw from the national fraternity if relief were not granted. Later in the month, the chapter's charter was suspended. In September, it was revoked.

Prexy Receives Honor For Agricultural Work

President Eric A. Walker was one of 256 persons to have a tree dedicated in his honor recently at the Thor Research Center for Better Living at Marengo, Ill.

The trees were dedicated to leading figures who have made outstanding contributions to American agricultural progress, according to founder of the center, Neil C. Hurley, Jr.

A tree was also dedicated to President Dwight D. Eisenhower.

Rocket Voice Lost At 370,000 Miles

MOSCOW (AP)—The Soviet cosmic rocket Mechta dreaan lost its voice yesterday on its plunge toward an orbit around the sun.

Radio signals of the 1½-ton projectile faded out as it passed the 370,960-mile mark and its 62nd hour aloft, in a headlong dash from the earth into man's greatest conquest of space.

Soviet scientists lost track of their brainchild.

But mute or not, they expected it to streak into a solar orbit tomorrow or Thursday on a pear-shaped course that possibly—barely possibly—might one day swing it back to earth.

It is due to enter an elliptical course between the earth and Mars, they said, taking 15 months to complete the swing around the sun that the earth completes in twelve.

The Soviets originally announced the rocket would take 447 days to circle the sun. Last night they said there had been a minor miscalculation, that one revolution would take 450 days.

Tass announced depletion of power killed the radio signals.

"The program of observations and scientific investigations of the rocket has been completed," the Soviet news agency said.

It reported the 62 hours of radio communications enabled a check on the work of scientific instruments aboard and observations of the rocket's movements. It was promised that the scientific results will be published as the observations are gradually processed.

The Soviets calculate the orbit of Mechta will have a maximum diameter of 214¼ million miles.

By their reckoning, the rocket will cruise no nearer the sun than 91½ million miles. The earth, with a tighter orbit, ranges from 91¼ to 94½ million miles from the sun.

"It is not impossible the new planet will again meet its mother—the earth—because their paths will eventually cross near the place where our small planet first flew into interplanetary space," Prof. Boris Kukarkin, deputy chairman of the Soviet Astronomical Council, said in a broadcast.

Temperature To Remain Low Today

The freezing weather which attacked Pennsylvania on Sunday bringing high winds, snow flurries and low temperatures will continue today and tonight.

The severe cold front built up in northern Canada as a result of the arctic cold caused by the deep snow and temperatures which ranged as low as 30 to 40 below zero. These low temperatures together with lack of heat from the sun caused a low pressure area to form.

Strong winds gathered behind this low pressure area and moved it downward to the northwestern United States. They then drove it eastward across the country, burying the mid-western states in snow drifts. These storms were followed by strong winds and very low temperatures.

As a result of this cold front, the temperature yesterday reached only 9 after an early morning low of 4 above zero.

Today will be sunny, but the chilling cold will persist with the temperature rising very slowly from a low of 6 below zero to an afternoon high of 14 above. The cold wave will continue through tonight with the temperature dropping to 2 below zero.

Some moderation is in sight for tomorrow. The weather will be partly cloudy, but not quite so cold with a predicted high of 23.

400 Tickets Remain For Finnish Gym Meet

A total of 400 seats at \$2 still remain for the Finnish gymnastics scheduled for 7:30 p.m. Friday in Recreation Building.

Rec Building 'Out'

Roosevelt Talk Seen 'Sell-Out'

No student or non-student tickets remain for the appearance of Eleanor Roosevelt scheduled for 8 p.m. tomorrow in Schwab Auditorium.

Over 1100 tickets were distributed without charge to a constant stream of people who began lining up in front of the Hetzel Union desk well in advance of 9 a.m., the time set for distribution to begin. Tickets were gone before noon.

Jay Feldstein, All-University president, said although the seating capacity of Schwab Auditorium is not sufficient to satisfy all the people who wanted to hear Mrs. Roosevelt's speech, the Lecture Series committee which arranged for her appearance, found it impossible to schedule Recreation Building.

"Recreation Hall is not given

out for this sort of thing during the week," Feldstein said. "Even the Artist Series cannot schedule Rec Hall except on Sunday evenings." Feldstein said if Recreation Hall was given out during the week it would mean rescheduling an entire day's physical education classes and intramurals.

Feldstein said since the committee had to schedule Schwab for Mrs. Roosevelt's speech, it had (Continued on page eight)



WAR STORIES... Trading experiences about their recent trip to civil-war-torn Cuba over lunch at the HUB, Larry Matthews, Charles Barter, Karl Francis and Jack Stellmack examine a machete they brought back.

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