

Fish Kill Evidence Claimed

The State Sanitary Water Board reported yesterday it has "conclusive evidence" that wastes from the University's sewage plant were chiefly responsible for killing several thousand trout in Spring Creek last November.

Dr. C. L. Wilbar Jr., state health secretary and board chairman, made public a letter sent to President Eric A. Walker ordering "immediate corrective action," according to the Associated Press.

But James H. Coogan, director of public information said last night he was authorized to repeat the statement President Eric A. Walker made last week—that the University had nothing to do with the fish killings.

Coogan said he couldn't elaborate on the statement.

Wilbar said the evidence on the killings was compiled in an investigation started after several thousand trout were killed at the Benner Spring Hatchery on Nov. 19. The state fish commission uses the hatchery for research and production.

"As a result of these investigations," Wilbar's letter said, "the board has on hand what it considers conclusive evidence to show the effect from the University's sewage plant was the most important factor in the killing."

The board "considers this an emergency situation," Wilbar said, "and asked Walker to inform him by March 11 'what emergency action has been or is being taken.'"

Walker said in a statement on Monday that there does not exist any substantial evidence which would indicate that the University's operation of the plant was a contributory factor in the death of the fish, killed both at Benner Springs and the Pleasant Gap hatchery.

"Moreover, the University is not aware of anything which it could have done or could do even now which would materially affect the welfare of fish in the Spring Creek watershed," Walker said.

Winds and Cold Forecast Today

A storm system passing north of Pennsylvania will cause a continuation of the partly cloudy, windy, and cold weather today.

Snow flurries, strong winds, and partly cloudy skies will accompany the colder weather today. Diminishing winds and clear skies will set the stage for colder weather tonight.

Today's high temperature will be 36 degrees and tonight's low about 24 degrees. Partly cloudy skies and milder temperatures are due tomorrow.

Trio Cancels Concert

Illness Axes Benefit; April Date Is Sought

By NEAL FRIEDMAN

Illness of one of the members of the Kingston Trio has forced the group to cancel its concert, originally scheduled for tomorrow afternoon. But an effort is being made to schedule the trio for the second week in April.

Members of the Larry Sharp Week committee were on the telephone for hours late last night, at first trying to contact one of the members of the trio or their manager and then their booking agency.

W. A. "Spike" Kelley, special assistant to the President and faculty adviser to the Sharp drive, called the Sharps last night and told them to cancel plans for Larry's trip here today.

Sharp was supposed to come up for the Sophomore Swing for Larry tonight and the concert tomorrow. His father had not gone to work last night in order that he could get up early to drive Larry and his male nurse here.

The nurse could not be contacted in New York and will probably spend the weekend with the Sharps at their Swarthmore home.

Members of the committee will call the trio's booking agency sometime today in an attempt to get a date and arrange a contract. The committee wants Wednesday, April 15, but the agency could not guarantee this date since the trio had broken a number of other engagements. The agency said the group was free between April 12 and 16.

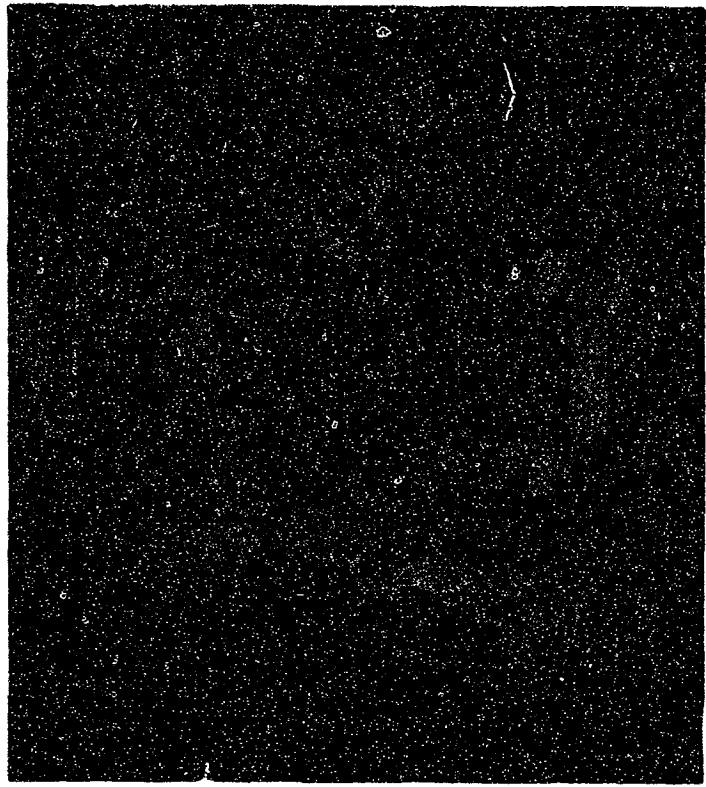
Larry Bennett, manager of the group, first called Carmella LaSpada, general chairman of Sharp Week, to tell her that they would not be coming due to the illness of Dave Guard who is considered the leader of the group.

It was later learned that Guard had an infected throat and ear and had lost his sense of balance.

Miss LaSpada called a meeting of several key members of her committee along with Jay Feldstein, All-University President, Kelly, William Fuller, manager of Associated Student Activities and Donald Saubel, ASA treasurer.

Their first concern was what to do about Sunday. It was decided that students wanted to see the Kingston Trio so much

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—Collegian Photo by Steve Johnson

'HIGHER PRICE, MORE CUSTOMERS' was the report from downtown restaurants yesterday, when students paid 15 cents for a cup of coffee for Larry Sharp Week. Customers include, from left, Ellen Weber, freshman in Home Economics from Erie; Glen Jones, junior in the division of counseling from West Pittston and Gale Klingsmith, sophomore in secondary education from LaBelle.

Record Show Brings Sharp Fund to \$1765

With the addition of approximately \$950 pledged in Thursday night's Off the Record for Larry on WMAJ, contributions to the Larry Sharp Fund now total about \$1765.

Carmella LaSpada, general chairman of the drive, said that normally only 70 per cent of the pledges are actually

turned in, but she said she thought more than that would be turned in since fraternities and sororities accounted for the majority of the pledges.

Sharp himself was expected to arrive on campus late this afternoon, but his trip was called off after the Sharp family learned late last night that the Kingston Trio has canceled its appearance scheduled for Sunday afternoon. Illness of one of the Trio's members forced cancellation of the concert.

Sharp had planned to attend both the concert and the Sophomore Swing, from 9 to 12 tonight in the Hetzel Union Ballroom. The sophomore dance, however, will go on as scheduled.

Tickets are still on sale at 50 cents each at the HUB desk for the dance tonight. Campus queens will be at the dance and men will be able to dance with them for 10 cents a dance. In addition, a sophomore queen will be selected from five finalists.

The finalists are Joni Karlow, education major from Atlas; Judy Norton, education major from Merion Station; Susan Sherman, education major from Syracuse, N.Y.; Betty Kohudic, psychology major from Frenchville, and Marilyn Seifert, arts and letters major from Allison Park.

Yesterday many downtown restaurants donated their profits from coffee sales to the fund.

Review

Theatre Omnibus is 'Pleasant'

By JEFF POLLACK

Theatre Omnibus, the Player's production which opened last night, provided a pleasant evening of entertainment but fell short of its full potential.

In attempting to present the various moods of the theatre the production undertook too much and fell short. The informal format was at times obtrusive, serving only to distract the audience from the good theatre being presented.

The Arts Company—four graduate students—drew upon some of the theatre's finest material and handled it well. However, Walter H. Walters, head of the Department of Theatre Arts, who served as narrator, tried to make the evening too educational and wound up detracting from the

performances of the cast.

The review-like production leads with a scene from Tennessee Williams "A Streetcar Named Desire." A simple set helps out the performances by Don Petersen as Mitch and Patricia Thompson as Blanche.

Miss Thompson manages to hold her southern accent but appears too much the actress she is. Because she seems to be forcing herself into the role she doesn't quite succeed.

A scene from the Howard Lindsay and Russel Crouse comedy Life With Father—done in reading style from stools—was highlighted by the fine performance of Gardner Tillson as the father desperately trying to understand and control his family.

It was at this point in the performance that the greatest question arises. A Kabuki dance by Hisako Matsubara, a graduate student from Kyoto, Japan, was

exciting to watch. Her movements were lovely, her timing perfect. As an art form the dance was entertaining.

Yet, this simple appreciation of the beauty of the dance may not have been enough. It left too many questions as to the meaning of some of the gestures and movements. Even with the explanation of the stool-seated narrator it was not clear.

"Three by Three," an original parody of three of the theatre's great writers by Russell G. Whaley, an assistant professor of theatre arts, had all the touches of fine comedy.

"Samovar," a satire on the work of Chekov; "Private Wives," a parody on Coward; and "Back of the Horizon," which took a dig at O'Neill, were delightful, even without a knowledge of the originals.

Mary Minkiewich, as the Rus-

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Vega Shines in Easterns; Dulaney 1st in Tumbling

By MATT MATHEWS

PITTSBURGH—Captain Armando Vega didn't just have a good day here in the Eastern Championship preliminaries—he had a great day.

The fabulous Lion Olympian couldn't be beaten last night. He lead the all-around with a five-event score of 1381.5 and

needs only a meager 182.5 in free calisthenics tomorrow to break his own All-Around record.

The free "X" is the opening event in tomorrow evening's finals and the concluding event in the all-around. Vega should have no trouble breaking his record—possibly by 100 points—as he is the decisive favorite to win the free "X".

The finals start at 8 tonight in the Pitt Field House.

To rack up his lopsided lead over teammates Jay Werner and Lee Cunningham, Vega qualified first on the high bar and parallel-bar and won the long horse vault and still rings. He qualified fifth on the side horse. To say he had the 1500

fans sitting on edge watching his amazing exhibition is an understatement.

In fact, Beano Cook, Pitt's sports publicity director, said he's as good as Don Hennon, Pitt's all-American basketball player.

There is no doubt that Vega pleased everyone here, even coach Gene Wettstone. But Wettstone was just as high on his second high all-around man—Werner.

Werner, who won the all-around last year in Vega's absence, had a rather weak routine on the side bars, the opening event, and started out in fourth place. But he pulled a

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