



SGA Will Petition State House on Bill To Lift Book Tax

By CAROL BLAKESLEE

The Student Government Association will circulate a petition asking the state legislature to take action on a bill that would exempt students from paying sales tax on college text books.

SGA received a letter from Albright College, Reading, asking the support of University students in a move to get the bill out of committee and before the legislature.

The bill was introduced to the State House of Representatives on Oct. 15 by representatives from the Reading area, but was referred to the Rules Committee on the same day and has remained there since.

Support was urged by both the SGA Cabinet and Assembly and a committee was set up yesterday with James Kridel (C.-Soph.) as chairman. The letter said that 98 per cent of the students at Albright had signed a petition which will be sent to Stephen McCann, majority leader of the House.

McCann has the power to bring a bill out of the Rules Committee to be acted on by the legislature.

Albright's student council president said in the letter that the legislature was being "inconsistent with the Commonwealth's purpose of helping student education" by not acting on the bill.

Kridel said last night that he and his committee of about 20 hope to get about 50 per cent of the University's student body to sign the petition next week since Albright's letter asked that signatures be sent to them by March 11 to concentrate the effort.

Starting Monday, the committee plans to visit fraternities, residence halls and college councils to solicit support for the petition, Kridel said.

Petitions will be placed in the Hetzel Union Building, Redifer, Warnock and Nittany dining halls and possibly in main classroom buildings.

JayCees Beauty Contest Scheduled for May 13

Bellefonte Area JayCees, sponsors of the fifth annual Centre County Pageant have announced that a representative for the Miss Pennsylvania Contest will be chosen 8 p.m. May 13 at the Bellefonte Junior High School auditorium.

Entry forms and a list of qualifications will soon be available, John Auman, entries chairman, said.

Big Snow Storm Paralyzes State

By JOEL MYERS

The aging winter dealt its severest blow yesterday and last night by burying most of Pennsylvania under 8 to 15 inches of snow.

Nearly 12 inches of new snow is expected on campus by the time the snow tapers off to flurries early today.

Very cold temperatures and blustery winds will cause today's weather to be nearly as bad as yesterday's. Blowing snow, flurries, squalls and heavy drifting is likely. A high of only 23 degrees is predicted.

The Borough police said that all roads in State College were snow covered and in

"very bad shape" yesterday evening, but street crews were expected to work through the night in an attempt to clear as much snow as they could by morning. Increasing winds and cold temperatures made their task difficult.

Centre County's roads were slippery and snow covered last night, but all main roads were open according to the State police. Many side roads were completely blocked by the snow.

All campus parking lots should be open this morning, although only to a fraction of their capacity.

The storm was the most widespread of the winter—causing considerable accumulations in nearly half of the nation. Six to twenty inches of snow fell from Virginia northward to New England stalling automobiles, grounding airliners, slowing rail travel and even hobbling congressional activity.

Pennsylvania was one of the hardest hit states with four deaths attributed to the storm. Thousands of schools, stores and factories were closed.

Traffic on the giant Pennsylvania Turnpike was slowed to a snail's pace with speeds reduced to 35 miles an hour. Cars without chains were urged to stay off the superhighway in the interest of safety.

There's little doubt that the last three weeks have been the worst of the winter. Nearly 35 inches of snow has fallen in this area as compared to only five inches in the three preceding months. Temperatures have been well below normal.

No warmer weather is in sight and strangely enough this is welcomed news to many people. (continued on page eight)

Ribboning Scheduled For Tonight

Ribboning for new sorority members will take place at 7 tonight in the sorority suites as formal Panhellenic spring rushing draws to a close.

Rushees filled out preferential cards last night after attending coffee hours.

The coffee hours, which were originally to be held at the homes of alumnae in town, had to be moved into the sorority suites because of transportation hazards due to the icy roads.

Rushees will receive their bids late this afternoon. Sororities may pick up the lists of their new members at 3 p.m. today in 105 Old Main.

A strict silence period will be observed today until the time of ribboning. Rushees and sorority women may say no more than hello to one another during this period.

School clothes will be worn to the ribboning ceremonies.

Fernelius Gets Grant To University of Cairo

Dr. W. Conrad Fernelius, professor of chemistry is spending the Spring Semester in Cairo, United Arab Republic, serving as visiting professor of chemistry at the University of Cairo.

He has been awarded a United States Educational Exchange Grant under the provisions of the Smith-Mundt Act.

AChiO Penalized For Rush Infraction

Alpha Chi Omega sorority will not be allowed to participate in Greek Week activities due to an infraction of the rushing code, the Panhellenic Council Judicial Board has ruled.

The penalty was assessed Tuesday night but the decision

was not announced until late last night because "the sorority would be unduly penalized during rushing," according to Dorothy J. Lipp, dean of women. Rushing ended last night with coffee hours held in the sorority suites.

Since the beginning of the rushing period, the rushee involved in the incident has visited a member of AChiO twice in her room.

The sorority member also visited the rushee in her room last Saturday night. She had taken an overnight in the rushee's residence hall but did not stay in the rushee's room.

Phone calls were also made between the rushee and the sorority member.

Since the incidents occurred during a semi-strict silence period, they constituted a violation of the rushing code.

The violation was reported to Mrs. Norma Mountain, assistant to the dean of women and sorority advisor, within 24 hours after the last infraction.

The sorority will not be allowed to participate in any Greek Week events, including the Outstanding Pledge and IFC-Panhel banquets. Mrs. Mountain explained that the Board based their decision on the grounds that the violation was unfair to all other Greek women, and the sorority should (Continued on page four)

BULLETIN

State College and campus police were reportedly searching for a coed missing from Cooper Residence Hall at 2 a.m.

Annette Cohen, a sophomore in elementary education from Philadelphia, failed to return to her residence hall at 11 last night. She was last reported seen in the Redifer parking lot in the company of Bruce Weintraub, senior in business administration, from Buffalo, N.Y.

The couple was reported seen about 10:30 p.m.

Patrol units of both borough and campus police were cooperating in the search.

TIM to Sponsor Movies in HUB

Thirty-minute films from the television show "Twentieth Century Movies" will be shown every other Wednesday in the Hetzel Union assembly room beginning March 16.

These free movies will be sponsored by the Town Independent Men, the council decided Wednesday night.

Features such as "Hiroshima" and "Normandy Invasion" will be shown.

Review

Landrow, Wilder Spark Fine Drama

By BOBBI LEVINE
Collegian Copy Editor

How does a man compromise with his values?

This is the question that keeps Vince Landrow as Detective McLeod occupied for a two and one-half hour depressing, grueling but always gripping look at life in the 21st precinct of a major city.

"Detective Story," although dragging in spots, comes across as a whip lash, no-punches-pulled picture of the seamy side of city life and the effect it has on the main character. The audience cringes and squirms in its seats as it watches a man, obsessed with the memory of an overbearing father and a weak mother, destroy himself and the people around him while trying to live up to his ideals.

The play opened last night

and will continue to run in Schwab Auditorium tonight and tomorrow. Curtain time is 8 p.m.

In his first major role with the Penn State Players, Landrow draws much sympathy for a character who is hateful, rotten and inhumanly demanding. Landrow doesn't play McLeod; he is McLeod. He guides his audience through a night in the city, as seen through the eyes of its police force, and introduces them to a cross section of the people, good and bad, who give a city life.

Barry Wilder, a veteran actor on the Players' stage, comes across with a performance that keeps Landrow hopping to stay in the spotlight. As Joe Feinson, the police reporter who still has faith in humanity, Wilder creates a character second only to his role as Shylock in the Merchant of Venice.

His mannerisms, faint Judeo-American accent and soft-spoken delivery help him cre-

ate a breathing, sympathetic human being out of what could easily have become a caricature of a hardbitten newspaper man.

A fine supporting cast, almost technically perfect in its imitation of New York mannerisms, helps tie together the drama. The acting all around is so deceptively realistic that the audience at times feels as if it is intruding on something not meant for its eyes.

Jack Weiner, Garry Abrams, Arthur Schubert and Joseph Nedimyer as precinct detectives; and Joel Daniels as a cocky burglar turn in laudable performances. The only quarrel we have with the casting is June Miller whose interpretation of Mary McLeod strikes us as too sugary sweet.

A well-designed background, simple but functional, keeps the audience from the boredom that sometimes accompanies a one-set show.

TV to Give Parade Partial Coverage

Portions of the Spring Week Float Parade on April 29 will be filmed by television stations in Altoona and Lancaster and shown on programs over that weekend, Float Parade Chairman Sharon Hoffman said yesterday.

WFBG in Altoona is unable to telecast the entire parade because of previous commitments, Miss Hoffman explained. The portions that are filmed will be shown on newscasts.

Lancaster station WGAL will show its films on news programs and will film a five minute portion to be shown on a Studio 8 Presentation Monday, May 2. They hope to send someone here with the cameramen to do commentary for the film.

The Johnstown TV station was also invited to cover the parade, but they have not replied, Miss Hoffman said.

Since neither of the coverages will be telecast live, timing will not be so important. Miss Hoffman explained, therefore, the parade route will be optional. Had plans called for the programs to

be telecast that night, it would have been necessary to adjust the route to meet the program and timing requirements of the stations.

A stand will probably have to be set up somewhere along the route for the cameras, she added.

Tentative plans call for the parade to begin at either Recreation Hall or near the Nittany area and then proceed along Pollock Rd. and College Ave.

The plan to have the Mummies judge the parade has been confirmed orally by Magistrate Elias Myers, who is in charge of the Philadelphia group which puts on the Mummies Parade on New Year's Day. Written confirmation has not yet been received.