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9 Students Form Protest Outside Lion's Paw Office

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Nine men from North Halls Sunday night formed a non-violent protest outside 419 Old Main, the Lion's Paw meeting room.

The men stood and sat outside the room while a Lion's Paw meeting was reportedly in session, carrying signs which

said, "Stop Secrecy, Stop Lion's Paw," "Stop Lion's Paw, Influence in Student Affairs," and "Lion's Paw Must Go."

The protest lasted from 10 to 11 p.m. The demonstrators were asked to leave by a campus patrolman, who said the building was closed to all those not specifically authorized to be there after 5 p.m. The men said a cleaning lady in the building had told them it was open until midnight.

Frank Hugus, spokesman for the group, said they were influenced by a recent controversy about Lion's Paw influence in elections and by a mimeographed pamphlet called "Lion's Paw at Penn State."

The pamphlet contains what is reputed to be Lion's Paw minutes which it says were transcribed by I. B. Sinclair, an alumnus, and material reportedly concerning recent Lion's Paw activities.

The pamphlet was prepared by John Brandt and David Byers, former alternate Assemblymen, Alan Elms, editor of Froth, and Harald Sandstrom, AIM president.

Hugus said his group was not associated with politics and had not been urged to protest by any political party.

Vega, Weiss Make Olympic Training Team

Penn State grad student Armando Vega and sophomore Greg Weiss qualified for the pre-Olympic gymnastics team in West Point, N.Y., Friday.

Vega, a 1956 Olympian and former national collegiate all-around champion, finished second to Southern Illinois' Fred Orlofsky. Weiss was tenth in the men's division. Two other State entries, Jay Werner and freshman Tommy Seward, didn't qualify for the team.

Weiss suffered an embarrassing accident while performing on the side horse. The Lion sophomore ripped his pants and the resulting difficulty cost him some valuable points in the final tabulation.

In other news of Penn State Olympic aspirants, Johnston Oberly was eliminated in the fifth round of the final wrestling trials in Ames, Iowa. Oberly was beaten by a two-time Olympic qualifier Bill Kerlake of Cleveland.

SGA Votes to Cut Christmas Vacation

The SGA Assembly voted last night in a special meeting to recommend to the University Senate that Christmas vacation be shortened two days to provide for a full 15-week semester.

The University Senate meets at 4:15 Thursday in 121 Sparks and will discuss possible calendar changes.

The motion, presented by James Kridel (C-Soph.), is designed to avoid elimination of the

Thanksgiving vacation.

It follows last week's SGA approval of the Senate calendar policy recommendation that stated "that each semester consist of 15 meetings for each half day of the week."

Thirty-three assembly members voted in favor of the proposal at the 12-minute meeting last night. There was one abstention.

At that time, a committee was appointed to study the problem before a vote could be taken.

Richard Haber, SGA president, has an appointment to discuss the bill with President Eric A. Walker tomorrow.

Kridel explained that according to a calendar worked out by him his committee, Thanksgiving vacation would be 4½ days instead of 5.

Vacation would begin at noon Wednesday next fall instead of Tuesday night as it did this past fall.

Kridel said that the plan is "feasible for every possible year and combination of days."

The SGA proposal resembles the suggestion made by WSGA last Wednesday. WSGA favors shortening Christmas vacation by two days, cutting one at the beginning and one at the end.

It also opposes eliminating Thanksgiving vacation.

Kridel served as co-chairman of the SGA committee with Edgar Grubb (U.-Sr.). Committee members were Katherine Hughes (U.-Sr.), David Armbruster, Margaret McPherson, WSGA president, and Sue Sherman, SGA secretary-treasurer.

Civil Defense Alert

Residents of Centre County will participate in a Civil Defense alert this afternoon.

At 2 p.m., a steady, three-minute blast will be heard, which is the "alert or attention" signal.

At 2:15 p.m., a warbling sound will be heard, which is the "take cover" signal and will require cessation of vehicle traffic and the taking of cover by pedestrians.

At 2:27 p.m., a steady blast similar to the first will sound which will be the "all clear" signal.

Traffic and pedestrians are expected to observe the "take cover" signal until the "all clear" is sounded.

Cold Air Mass Causes Frost

An unusually cold air mass for the month of May allowed temperatures to skid to the 32 degree mark yesterday morning and as low as 21 degrees in the exposed outlying areas.

These near record temperatures resulted in a killing frost throughout this area and in most of Pennsylvania.

This morning's readings will again be close to the freezing mark in this area, but somewhat warmer afternoon temperatures are in prospect for this afternoon. In fact, generally fair and pleasant weather should continue for the next few days.

Today should be partly cloudy and pleasantly warm with an expected high temperature of 73 degrees. Some cloudiness and cool weather is due tonight. The low will be about 48.

Sunny and slightly warmer weather is due tomorrow with a high reading of 76 degrees.

Chessman Executed

Europe Calls It 'Shameful'

LONDON (AP) — Europe recoiled with cries of "shame" last night over the execution of Caryl Chessman.

Newspapers, prominent figures and ordinary people spoke of the convict's death in the gas chamber in California in terms such as "appalling penalty" and "monstrous deed."

Some said it would hurt the prestige of the United States abroad. A minority supported execution.

Afternoon newspapers in some cities rushed extras to the streets when the word was flashed of Chessman's death. Radio stations broke into programs for bulletins.

The London Daily Herald, in an editorial for its paper today, said, "There must be in the hearts of most honest-to-goodness Americans great shame over the execu-

tion of Caryl Chessman."

"To add to this appalling penalty 12 years of indescribable mental agony is something which could never happen in Britain and which right-minded people in the States must make sure can never happen again," the Express added.

In Paris, Mme. George Vernet, president of the French Assn. Against the Death Penalty, said the execution was "one of the most ignominious crimes that the new world has ever committed. The civilized old world will never forgive it."

Paris afternoon papers quickly sent late editions to the streets. One paper, Paris-Press, printed a page one box in four columns giving pro and con arguments in the case.

In Italy and Belgium, the general reaction was one of shock. Italian newspapers and most Ital-

ians felt that Chessman's 12 years in death row was sufficient punishment. Italy does not have the death penalty.

Crowds in Rome milled about newsstands to grab up copies of extra editions and engage in animated conversation about the execution.

Caryl Chessman's 12-year fight for life on death row ended in 10 swift minutes Monday in the gas chamber, where he died smiling at a red-haired woman.

The California Supreme Court, which had three times voted against executive clemency, turned down two appeals in San Francisco yesterday morning, and U.S. Supreme Court Justice William O. Douglas in Washington also refused to intervene. Chessman's lawyer contended he could show that someone else committed the crimes.

Boro Alters Liquor Law For Minors

State College Borough Council approved an amendment last night to the Borough Minors Ordinance which was aimed at settling what it felt was a disturbing and misunderstood problem.

One section of the ordinance had placed a 7 p.m. limit for the entry of unaccompanied minors into an establishment licensed to sell alcoholic beverages. The amendment passed last night eliminates this section.

Borough Solicitor Robert Kistler explained that as long as minors do not drink alcoholic beverages there is no reason why they should not be able to eat in an establishment which serves such beverages.

Kistler also said that Dean of Women Dorothy J. Lipp had said that the section was causing misunderstanding because many of the students were unaware of the ruling.

In other business, Council discussed a request for the appointment of a bi-racial commission on human relations. The request was made by Charles Trautman, a leader of DARE, an anti-segregation group, who said in a letter submitted to Council, that discrimination against the Negro in State College was the reason for his request.

The legality of the Council authorizing such a commission was the main question and Kistler said that he did not feel Council had this right.

Council decided not to take action and suggested that Trautman meet with Burgess Ray B. Anthony to discuss the matter further.