

Fire Destroys Cattle Barn

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—Collegian photo by Rick Bower

THE UNIVERSITY SUFFERED a major loss yesterday when a beef cattle barn was destroyed by fire. The Alpha Fire Company responded to the alarm about 2:30 p.m. Preliminary estimates placed the loss between \$50,000 and \$75,000.

New Stadium Officially Opens For 1960 Starter Against B.U.

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The largest all-steel football stadium in the country will officially open here today at 1:30 p.m.

That's when Penn State and Boston University square off in the 1960 football opener at Beaver Stadium, the spanking new home of the Nittany Lions.

Beaver Stadium has a seating capacity of 44,000 compared with only 30,000 at Beaver

Dedication To Include 1909 'Lions'

Football fans at Beaver Stadium will witness the old and the new this afternoon when the University's 1909 football team returns for the official opening of the new stadium.

The oldsters will be welcomed by President Walker and will participate in special halftime ceremony in which they will be introduced individually by Dean Ernest B. McCoy, dean of the College of Physical Education and Athletics.

The Hat Societies and the cheerleaders will also have a part in the dedication and halftime ceremony.

In addition to the usual Honor Lane formed before the beginning of each game, all hat society members and cheerleaders will form a special Honor Lane for the 1909 players.

After the oldtimers participate in the halftime ceremony they will be official guests at a reception and dinner.

Originally 13 players were scheduled to attend the reunion but Frank O. Keller of Largo, Fla. (originally of Philadelphia) was detained by Hurricane Donna and his presence is doubtful.

Students May Claim Bikes

Anyone who has lost a bicycle on the campus may claim it at the Spruce Cottage basement in the Campus Patrol office.

Those persons wanting to claim their bicycles must be able to describe them.

Field. Strange as it may sound, Beaver Field is the main part of the new stadium.

Following the Holy Cross game last Nov. 14, workmen began dismantling Beaver Field which was located near Recreation Hall and the Nittany Lion Inn.

Beaver Field came apart like an erector set and was transported to the northeast end of campus in 700 pieces.

It was reassembled beneath the new superstructure and now towers 80 rows high on each side, from goal line to goal line. Only the closed end of the horseshoe remains as it was.

The slope of the stands is gradual — about 20 degrees for the first 40 rows and about 25 degrees for the second 40.

This type of construction makes it more feasible to have flashcard cheering, which will be initiated in the stadium today by the Block 'S' Club.

The University estimates that the whole job of constructing the new stadium cost close to \$1.6 million.

The scoreboard and press box also were transported from the old site and will be in use this year. However, the writers covering Penn State games won't have that long walk up to the top anymore. From now on they'll have elevator service.

Beaver Stadium, geared for the schedules of the future, is one of the most modern in every respect. There are complete clubhouse facilities beneath the stands in addition to rest rooms, first aid rooms and refreshment stands.

The new cinder track is eight lanes rather than six, which means that even the original stands will be farther from the field than they were.

Another feature of the new stadium are the box seats on both sides of the field. These seats are (Continued on page fifteen)

Cloudy Skies, Rain Predicted

Cloudy skies will provide the weather background for the first football game of the season today.

Rain will begin late in the day as the remnants of hurricane Ethel moves northward from the Gulf states. The precipitation should continue tonight and much of tomorrow with the possibility of the rain being heavy at times.

Temperatures will remain rather mild today with a high of 72 degrees. Tonight's low will be about 60. Somewhat cooler temperatures are predicted for tomorrow with an expected high of 68 degrees.

Students Save 100 Cows, Costs May Reach \$75,000

By JOHN BLACK
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A raging fire that was still burning at midnight completely destroyed a beef cattle barn at the northeast end of campus yesterday.

The blaze which broke out about 2:30 p.m. was brought under control about 6 p.m. by the Alpha Fire Co., which rushed to the scene with all units at its disposal, but the fire still smoldered long into the night.

About 100 head of cattle were led to safety by five students who were working near the barns when the fire started.

Dr. Russell C. Miller, head of the department of animal husbandry, roughly estimated that the damage may reach \$50,000 to \$75,000. The barns are covered by insurance.

An open-pole shed where classrooms and show cows were kept was razed, but the fire was contained. It spread was halted before reaching the main beef cattle barn on Park Ave. and Shortlidge Rd. directly across the street from North halls, men's residence units.

Seventy-five tons of hay, valued at over \$2800, 60 tons of straw, valued at over \$1000, and \$700 worth of grain concentrate were also lost in this blaze. There was no equipment kept in the shed.

The origin of the fire was not determined, but it was believed to have started in the hayloft.

John Whiting of Lock Haven, Don Kirman of Miami, Fla., Tom Williams of Valencia, George Whery of Washington and Doug Kent of Lititz discovered the blaze when they noticed billows of smoke pouring from the hayloft. They immediately raced to lead the cattle out into nearby pastures.

The cattle had recently been brought back from the Ohio State Fair in Columbus where 16 were judged champions and 19 won blue ribbons.

Gail Long, instructor in animal husbandry, said the cattle will probably be moved to the sheep barns and the old horse barns.

A crane was brought in by G. M. McCrossin, Inc., Bellefonte contractors, to aid in the fire-fighting at about 4:30 p.m. and a bulldozer was brought in about 7 p.m. to knock down gutted portions of the building and prevent further damage or spread of the fire.

A few firemen were temporarily overcome by smoke while fighting the blaze, according to Alpha Co. Fire Chief George Miley, but were quickly revived by the administration of oxygen at the scene.

Erection of new cattle barns at another location had been under consideration by the University in its long-range expansion plans, according to Miller.

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The Collegian will begin regular daily publication, Tuesday through Saturday, this Tuesday.

Communists Forced Out Of Congo

LEOPOLDVILLE, the Congo (AP) — Soviet-led Communists burned documents and packed up last night in preparation for a dismal getaway from the Congo.

Their adventuring effort to exploit a foothold in central Africa appeared to be ending in failure.

Patrice Lumumba, the puppet they had been shaping up, had vanished, and the facade of Soviet power with him.

The Communists from Eastern Europe started their preparations to leave on renewed orders from the new Congolese army strong man, Col. Joseph Mobutu. He said they must clear out before another nightfall.

Papers were burned in the courtyard of the Czech embassy. Workmen then nailed covers on big wooden crates.

Three carloads of Soviet officials left the Soviet embassy. Other cars loaded with suitcases stood in the courtyard.

"We are all leaving tomorrow," said a correspondent for the Soviet news agency Tass.

The correspondent said the Soviet embassy had received a formal request to leave the country from President Joseph Kasavubu.

Col. Mobutu announced Wednesday he was giving the Communist bloc 48 hours to leave the Congo. The first signs that they would obey came last night.

The Russians and their Communist allies had moved into the Congo in a big way after independence June 30.

Roadwork to Slow Curtin Rd. Traffic

Traffic on Curtin Rd. will be somewhat curtailed on Monday when, weather permitting, construction work is expected to begin at Frazier Rd.

Workmen will begin digging a ditch across Curtin Rd. for installation of an electrical conduit after the heavy morning traffic has leveled off.

One-lane traffic will be maintained as much as possible. The work is expected to be completed by Monday noon.

Coed Fall Rush to Start Tomorrow

The fall semester informal rushing program will open tomorrow with 15 sororities participating in open house rushing.

All women wishing to rush this semester must register from 8 a.m. to 12 noon today in the Panhellenic Office, 129 Grange Hall. A \$2 fee will be required to cover the cost of registration and rushing.

A mass meeting, which is required for all rushees will be conducted at 12:30 p.m. today in 121 Sparks. At this time all the rules for rushing and open houses will be explained.

Open houses will be held at 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. tomorrow and will continue on Sept. 24 and 25 at the same times.

All rushees will be divided into

groups which will visit the sororities for a period of 20 minutes each. Each group will visit five suites on each day of open houses. One sorority woman will act as a guide for each group of rushees.

No refreshments will be served during open house rushing.

A semi-strict silence will be observed by all sororities after the start of open house rushing.

All second semester freshman woman transfers from any of the commonwealth campuses having a 2.3 All-University average and all other upperclass transfer women from the campuses having a 2.00 average are eligible to rush. All other transfer women of a third semester or above ranking from other schools are able to rush without presenting their average from the other school.

The following sororities will not

be rushing this semester: Alpha Xi Delta, Chi Omega, Delta Delta Delta, Delta Gamma, Kappa Alpha Theta and Pi Beta Phi.

Alpha Epsilon Phi, Sigma Delta Tau, Phi Sigma Sigma and Delta Phi Epsilon will rush this semester but will not participate in open house rushing.

Sororities which will not be rushing juniors are Alpha Epsilon Phi, Alpha Gamma Delta, Alpha Omicron Pi, Delta Zeta, Kappa Delta and Zeta Tau Alpha.

A student Panhellenic counseling program will be available to every rushee starting the first day of the informal chatter dates. The counselors are Greek women who have yielded their sorority identity for the duration of the rush period. These counselors will be available in the Panhel office every evening until preferentials have been signed.