

U.S., Russia Evaluated By Cressey

By CARMEN ZETLER

If Russia ever catches up to the United States, it will be because "we will loaf on the job." Dr. George B. Cressey, professor of geography at Syracuse University, told an audience of almost 400 Thursday night in 121 Sparks.

Cressey, sponsored by Phi Beta Kappa and the geography department, spoke on the subject, "How Strong Is Russia."

In discussing the strength of Russia, he cited two geographical aspects of the country as contributing factors.

The first aspect Cressey described was the climatic conditions of Russia. He pointed out on a large map those areas which were too cold, too hot, too dry or too wet for cultivation.

He said that the actual crop area of Russia was one-half million square miles. The United States has the same amount of land which can be cultivated, he added.

"The people in the USSR can never be as well-fed as people in the United States," he said. He explained that there were many more people to feed in Russia from the crop yields of comparable areas of land.

The second aspect Cressey explained was the mineral resources of Russia. "The USSR is the second richest country in the world, and maybe they are richer than we are," he said.

All minerals which modern industry requires are present in the USSR, Cressey said. Russia is well supplied with coal, oil, hydroelectricity, iron and copper, he explained. He added that Russia has the two biggest hydroelectric plants in the world and is building one which will be twice as big as the largest.

"For many years we can easily keep in the lead," he said, "if the people work."

During a question and answer period, Cressey said that Russia has raw materials, skill and industry to fulfill her manufacturing potentialities.

Cressey ended his lecture by saying that the cold war will be won in the classrooms of Moscow or Penn State.

Journ Student Group To Hold First Meeting

The Journalism Student Association will meet for the first time this term at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in the Delta Zeta sorority suite in Pollock 2.

Dr. Lawrence H. Lattman, assistant professor of geomorphology, will speak on "A Scientist Looks at Scientific News". A social period will follow the speech.

The meeting is open to any journalism student. Those interested in joining the club may do so at that time.

Physical Plant Investigates Sag Of HUB Canopy

An investigation is currently being conducted by the physical plant to determine the reason for the sagging of the concrete canopy in front of the Hetzel Union Building.

Walter H. Wiegand, head of the Department of Physical Plant, said the full reason for the sagging canopy and the cracks which have appeared in a number of the reinforced concrete columns is not yet known.

Wiegand cited changes in temperature, which cause expansion and contraction of the concrete, as one of the possible reasons for the settling. Another reason could be that some of the reinforcing rods might have been rusty when they were installed in the concrete columns, he said.

The condition was first noticed soon after the HUB was completed, Wiegand said, and last year pipe column shores were installed in an effort to prevent further settling.

However, the settling continued, and workmen are presently cutting out the cracks in the columns in an effort to determine the full cause.

Sewage--

(Continued from page three) James E. Coogan, director of public information, said on Wednesday that the plant was a joint project of the borough and the University. He said that six or seven years ago both State College and the University were faced with the necessity of building new sewage treatment works.

Everyone got together, he continued, and it was decided to build one plant which both would use. Construction costs were shared equally, he explained. In addition, it was agreed that the town would pay a fixed percentage of the operating costs and a set amount for every million gallons of inflow, he said.

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(Continued from page one) Walker expressed regret that neither the student report, nor Diem's study, which confined itself to facts and figures, made any provisions for stocking the "new, unusual, and expensive books which students ought to see even if they cannot afford to buy them."

Walker said he would like to see a literary center set up similar to that at Harvard.

Foianini reported that Walker indicated a willingness to consider an alternative proposal of the SGA which advocates formation of a Textbook Committee

"to coordinate University needs and commercial efforts in the ordering and supplying of textbooks." He asked Foianini to submit the names of two students for possible membership on such a committee.

Gym Suit Sale Refunds

Cwens, sophomore women's hat society, will return money from its gym suit sale 9 to 11 a.m. today in the recreation room of McElwain Hall. All girls who turned in gym suits to be sold last spring may collect their money at this time.

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