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USG Congress Defeats Motion to Impeach Paton For Unexcused Absences

The Undergraduate Student Government Congress last night defeated by a 9-17 margin a motion to impeach a congressman — the first such motion it has ever considered.

George Gordon, chairman of the Rules Committee, moved to impeach Thomas Paton, fraternity area, because he had missed two Congress meetings without a valid excuse.

The constitutional by-laws state "if any member of Congress shall fail to attend two regular meetings without reasonable excuse, he may be impeached by a two-thirds vote of the entire membership of Congress. Conviction by a two-thirds vote of Congress shall result in removal from office."

A "REASONABLE EXCUSE" is defined in the by-laws as illness, a simultaneous examination or a serious personal incident.

Gordon said the Rules Committee had met with Paton and decided that his two excuses were invalid. Paton said he was absent the first time because he had to study for two bluebooks on the following day and the second time because he had a conflicting meeting.

He argued the decision of the Rules Committee about his second absence, saying he was a "victim of circumstances."

Paton stressed that the meeting in question, — April 26 — was the shortest meeting so far this year, lasting about 45 minutes. He said he had intended to come to the meeting at about 8:30 p.m., but that it was over when he arrived.

SPEAKING in favor of impeachment, Jon Geiger, North, said USG is not "just another

activity" and that Paton should not have missed that meeting. He added that it would be a poor precedent to other congressmen to acquit Paton on this basis.

John Witmer, fraternity area, termed the issue "not as cut and dried as some would wish to make it."

Witmer said he thought Paton had valid intentions in choosing to miss the first part of the meeting. He explained that if necessary he would do the same thing, since little is usually accomplished in the meeting's first hour.

Therefore, Witmer said Paton was not impairing his representation on Congress.

CONGRESS ALSO defeated two proposed amendments to the constitutional by-laws, sponsored by Anne Morris, chairman of the By-Laws Committee.

The first proposed that all organizations receiving direct financial support from USG state that fact on the programs of its activities, and that they should submit a detailed account to Congress of the money spent.

The second proposed that all USG appointments be submitted to Congress for possible rejection.

Marines Establish Camps in Thailand

BANGKOK, Thailand (AP) — U.S. Marines, lugging, bristling loads of military hardware, set up their first camps last night along Thailand's Mekong River rim.

They were in a position to back up the Laotian government if Communist forces launch any attempt to seize southern Laos, though military spokesmen said the Marines' only purpose is to defend Thailand against any aggression.

They received a friendly welcome from the Thai people, jealous of their independence.

Looking trim despite their mottled jungle uniforms, the force of 1,800 Leathernecks moved easily in Bangkok's turgid heat as they unloaded tons of equipment from helicopters and warships.

THE FIRST UNITS of the task force were flown immediately from Bangkok's Don Muang airport in big U.S. C130 transports to Udon, 350 miles northeast of the Thailand capital.

Marines of the 3rd Battalion, 9th Regiment, from Okinawa, set up camp at Nong Lahan, 20 miles east of Udon, in a flat area that is hot and dusty in summer, soggy in winter.

The camp is 40 miles southeast of Vientiane, the Laos administrative capital across the Mekong

River. This is more than 200 miles southeast of the segment of Thailand's far northern border that was exposed to infiltration by the recent offensive of pro-Communist Pathet Lao forces in north-west Laos.

OTHER MARINES were expected to be moved to a 500-mile arc extending along the Mekong southeast of Udon to Ubon near the southern tip of Laos.

American spokesmen said the U.S. Army's Battle Group of the 87th Regiment—about 1,300 men—was being moved back to a camp 50 miles southwest of Khorat, that center, 130 miles north-east of Bangkok, has rail and road connections with Udon and Ubon.

The Army group is part of a Southeast Asia Treaty Organization maneuver force here two weeks ago. It is to be reinforced by more than 1,000 Army men from Hawaii in a few days to make up the 5,000-man force ordered into Thailand by President Kennedy under U.S. defense obligations to this Southeast Asian nation.

In his news conference yesterday, Kennedy was asked what the chances are of getting caught in a shooting war in Laos.

KENNEDY SAID the three princes of Laos will have a conference. "I hope they produce a government," he said, which is the object the United States seeks.

Sauer Resignation as Physics Head Spurs Department Conditions Study

The resignation of John A. Sauer, professor of physics, from the post of head of the Department of Physics has spurred a study of conditions in the department.

Howard A. Cutler, assistant to the vice president for academic affairs, said a committee of three was appointed Monday by President Walker to "look into the situation and conditions that exist in the department and college and to make recommendations pertinent to enabling the department to realize its objectives."

Cutler, John C. Griffiths, head of the Department of Mineralogy, and Henry W. Sama, professor of English, comprise the committee.

SAMS SAID last night that the committee was to advise what administrative moves would contribute most beneficially to the operation of the department.

Richard G. Stoner, professor of physics, said the faculty of the department last week wrote Walker and the Board of Trustees requesting that Sauer's resignation be investigated.

A group of graduate students in the department sent a similar letter to Walker and the Board of Trustees, Wilmer E. Kenworthy, executive assistant to the President, said yesterday.

Three members of the state's General Assembly last night reported that they each had received two letters concerning Sauer.

DR. THOMAS W. KING, Jr., R-Butler, said one of the letters he received was a protest of Sauer's "dismissal."

Charles A. Auker, R-Blair, said one of the two letters he received was from a group of students while the other was signed by a group of faculty members.

Eugene M. Fumei, R-Centre, said he also received two letters, but said he could not elaborate further.

Temperature Hits 92 for 3rd Day

The thermometer at the University weather station recorded a high of 92 degrees yesterday for the third successive day. It was the fourth day in a row that the mercury exceeded 90 degrees.

The record-smashing heat wave should continue unabated through the weekend with afternoon temperatures reaching or exceeding 90 each day.

There is a slightly better than 50-50 chance that the mercury will today tie or exceed the highest temperature ever recorded in May, which is 93 degrees.

The stationary high pressure cell that is breeding the abnormally hot and humid weather in the eastern states is expected to show virtually no movement for at least two days.

Skies should be sunny during the daytime and partly cloudy at night. Overnight low readings should range between 62 and 65 degrees.

Rain is unlikely before Sunday, when a thunderstorm may develop in the afternoon.

Scranton, Blatt Will Address Press Meeting

U.S. Congressman William W. Scranton, Republican gubernatorial candidate, and Miss Genevieve Blatt, secretary of internal affairs and Democratic candidate for re-election, will speak to the annual Pennsylvania Press Conference today at the Nittany Lion Inn.

Miss Blatt, the first woman ever elected to a statewide office, will speak to newspaper editors and staff members at 4 p.m. in the first of a two-part "What are the Issues?" series. Scranton will deliver the second address of the series.

Miss Blatt, an attorney, has served since 1948 as the secretary of the Democratic state committee. She has served for two terms in her current position, prior to which she held several offices in the Pittsburgh city government.

SCRANTON represents the Lycoming County area near the city of Scranton, which his ancestors helped to establish. He was elected to Congress in 1960, following several years of service as special assistant to Christian Herter, Secretary of State during the Eisenhower administration.

Scranton will speak after dinner tonight. He is expected to arrive from Philadelphia around 4 p.m. after a meeting of the party finance committee. The Republican county committee announced yesterday that it will maintain a reception room for Scranton at the Inn throughout the day.

Approved Fraternities

All social fraternities except Zeta Psi and Alpha Phi Alpha are approved for social activities tonight. All are approved for tomorrow night.



CADETS BRAVE WEATHER: A group of seniors in the Army ROTC Provisional Battalion was one of several Army ROTC units which marched in the annual Armed Forces Day Parade last night. Units from the Air Force

and Navy ROTC also took part in the parade. Observance of Armed Forces Week will continue with an exhibit in the Navy Armory at Wagner tonight and tomorrow afternoon.

Parade Honors Armed Forces

Braving 90-degree temperatures, over 1,100 students and area residents paraded through downtown State College last night in observance of Armed Forces Day.

The parade was led by the 1962 Mil Ball Queen, Mary Patterson, freshman in education from Oakdale.

The Army ROTC unit consisted of the Provisional Battalion Staff, the Army ROTC band and a company of Army ROTC seniors. ROTC Ranger Platoons and the Pershing Rifles Drill Team were also included in the Army unit.

THE NAVY ROTC contingent included the cadet officers, the Navy ROTC Drum and Bugle

Corps, three companies of midshipmen, the Navy Color Guard and the Navy Drill Team, which won the drill team competition on Mother's Day.

THE AIR FORCE ROTC representation included the cadet officers, the Air Force ROTC band, the Air Force ROTC Standard Drill Team, Color Guard, Angel Flight and the Air Force Trick Drill Team, which won the trick drill event in Mother's Day Competition.

In addition to last night's parade, Armed Forces Week observances will include displays in the Naval Armory at Wagner. Students and the general pub-

lic are invited to view the exhibits which will be open today from 7 to 9 p.m. and tomorrow from 1 to 3 p.m.

INCLUDED in the displays will be a Navy 5-inch gun, an Army parachute exhibit, an Army engineer bridging display and Army communications and small arms exhibits, plus models of torpedos, mines and ships.

A Nike Ajax supersonic anti-aircraft missile and a full-tracked amphibious cargo and personnel carrier, which were situated at either side of the reviewing stand during the parade last night, will also be on display at Wagner.

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