

President's Dismissal Stirs Action

Students Write Shafer

HARRISBURG (AP) — Seven Millersville College students presented the Shafer Administration yesterday with a petition requesting an investigation into the forced resignation of Robert A. Christie, college president.

The petition, bearing the names of 1,179 of the 3,200-member student body, was presented to Robert Bloom, Shafer's executive secretary, by Mrs. Kathy McLain, a junior from Lancaster.

The petition merely requested "a public investigation into circumstances" surrounding the resignation, without commenting on the merits of the dismissal.

Jack Conmy, Shafer's public relations secretary, said Bloom promised to call the petition to the governor's attention when he returns this week from a two-week vacation in the Virgin Islands.

"We will also request a report from the Department of Public Instruction," Conmy said. The board two weeks ago accepted

Christie's resignation, effective Aug. 31 without elaborating on the reason it was requested. Christie cited basic policy differences with the board in submitting his letter.

"We want to know how the board can take such action without informing the student body," declared Robert Coyne, treasurer of the sophomore class from Mount Carmel. "After all, the students are the ones most directly affected."

Frank Latke, a sophomore from Lancaster, added: "I would say the student body is overwhelmingly pro-Christie. We have no reason to be anti-Christie."

The 1,179 names were gathered during the past three days, the students said. No concerted attempt was made to contact the 1,300 students who commute.

Others in the student delegation were: James Madgey, sophomore from Philadelphia; Cheryl Fisher, Lancaster senior; Carol Hugentugler, York senior, and Michael Beltz, Millersville senior.

Discipline, Rush, Socials Among Topics for Talks

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work for this event. Later that week the sororities will submit a list of the ten fraternities with whom they would like to work. Both lists will be fed to computers, and the combination of lowest numbers will produce the sorority-fraternity pairs for the annual event.

The social chaimen also discussed the different types of parties permitted by the IFC and parties for special occasions such as Mother's Day and Father's Day. They witnessed a demonstration on tapping beer kegs and the proper care of tapping equipment—used by most of the fraternities every Friday and Saturday night.

The members of the Rush Workshop dealt with the general problems of fraternity rush, now taking place. The idea for rush registration in the dining halls was proposed at this workshop and carried out last Sunday. Registration for rush continues this week in the IFC office.

Rush Problems

They concluded that the main problem with rush was in getting men to register. Often men will not consider rushing fra-

ternity because they do not have enough knowledge of the system. The men at this workshop felt it is through rush that men can view the fraternity system and then make their choice. They also encourage men who are now rushing to rush more than one fraternity in order to make a correct decision when bids for membership are extended.

The ideas of dropping all regulations for rush and starting it the first day of school was also considered as a replacement for the present rush system. The extension of the period for giving out bids and accepting them was also mentioned. These two ideas, however, were only suggestions and will not see any action by the rush committee at this time. The rush chairman felt that this year's rush set-up was an improvement over past rushes, but it is still not the final answer.

Fraternity treasurers discussed the problems involving overdue house bills, hired help and the different systems for collection of house dues. Solutions for these problems were common to most of the fraternities. The newly-formed FPA and its effect on member fraternities' budgets was also a main point of interest.

Profs Predict Future Of Coal Production In Eastern States

Two University professors have attempted to predict the future, county by county, of bituminous coal mining in the Eastern United States.

"The industry can anticipate the development of a fullblown golden age during the next two decades," according to Dr. George F. Deasy, professor, and Dr. Phyllis R. Griess, professor emerita, of geography.

"Unfortunately, it's unlikely that each of the country's many coal producing areas will share equally, if at all, in this prosperity," they point out.

Both government and industry sources forecast a demand for American coal of some 800 million tons by 1980, sharply higher than the 507 million tons produced in 1965. Despite expanded use of atomic and other energy sources, the anticipated demand for power is so enormous that markets for virtually all economically competitive fuels will expand rapidly.

To determine the long term future of the various coal producing counties, the team turned to what is termed the "chartist approach." Using coal production for the years 1898-1963 they studied 169 counties whose output was both significant and relatively continuous.

"We limited ourselves to the bituminous regions east of the Mississippi River," Dr. Deasy explains, "since they have long yielded more than nine-tenths of the nation's supply of coal and seem destined to remain of outstanding importance."

"The area includes the Appalachian coalfields, as well as those of the eastern interior in Indiana and Illinois, and Michigan's northern interior fields."

For each of the 169 counties, a chart was prepared, plotting the fluctuations of coal output on a graph. Annual and cyclical variations resulting from wars, depressions, or strikes were disregarded.

"If the secular trend of production for a given mine or group of mines was upwards over a period of decades," Dr. Deasy comments, "they were considered in a growth situation. The rising long term trend line provided a solid foundation for extrapolating continued growth conditions into the future."

"On the other hand, if the line remained level or trended downward, then future prospects were unpromising. We felt this forecasting was especially applicable to the bituminous industry since there are only a very few areas where more than a small percentage of total reserves has been extracted."

Using their charts, Dr. Deasy and Dr. Griess forecast rising production for the following Pennsylvania counties: Armstrong, Beaver, Butler, Clarion, Clinton, Greene, Lawrence, Mercer and Venango.

Keeping in mind that individual mines may not necessarily conform to county trends, they predict declining or steady production in these counties: Allegheny, Bedford, Blair, Cambria, Centre, Clearfield, Elk, Fayette, Huntingdon, Indiana, Jefferson, Somerset, Tioga, Washington and Westmoreland.

Wesley Foundation Offers Image Series

Image Series-Theological, an introductory course focusing on the basic spirit questions in the modern world, will be offered again this term at Wesley Foundation.

Beginning at 7 p.m. Thursday, the course will continue for six Thursday evenings. It deals with the problems of authentic self-understanding, decision making, vocational significance, human relations and creative participation in the civilizing process. The aim of the course is to enable participants to think through for themselves who they are and how they can involve themselves in the present age. Thirty-four Penn State students who enrolled in the Image Series last term are among more than 600 university students throughout the nation who have come together to consider how they may comprehend the classic categories of the biblical faith, and make it relevant to their present lives. Enrollment this term is limited to 25 and is on a first-come-first-served basis. The cost of the papers and materials for the course is five dollars. Registration may be made by telephoning to the Wesley Foundation, 238-6739. If there is an urgent demand, there will be an additional section for those who cannot attend on Thursday evening.

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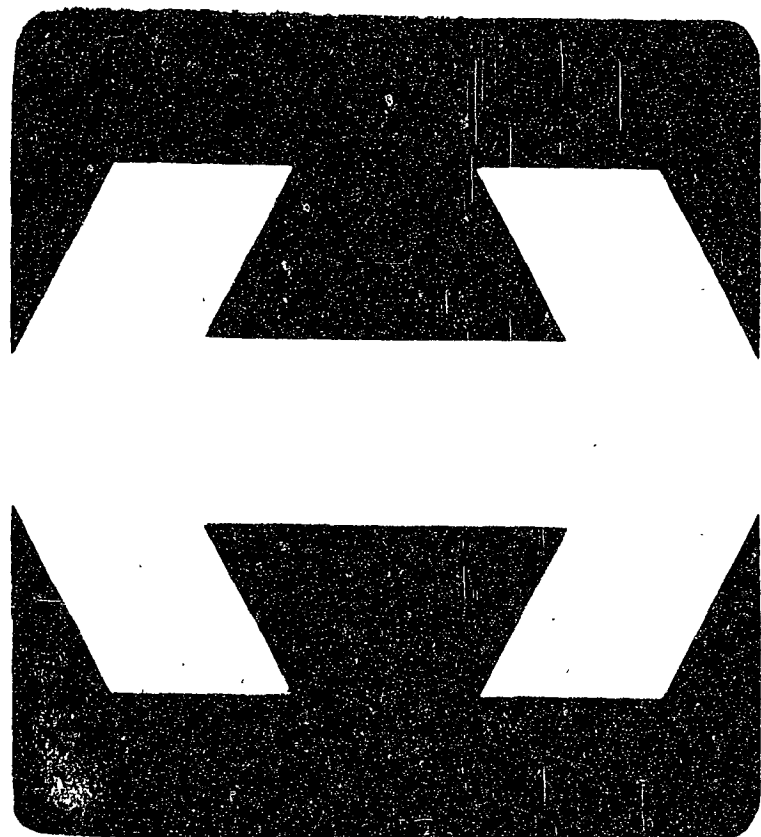
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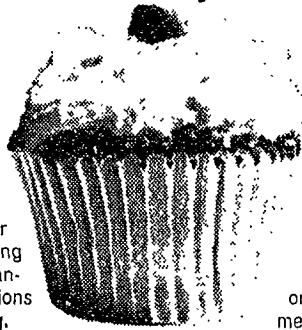


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Association of Women Students Junior Executives, 6 p.m., 215 Hetzel Union Building	Panhellenic Council, 6:30 p.m., 203 HUB
German Department, 6:30 p.m., HUB Assembly Hall	Undergraduate Student Government, 7:30 p.m., 214 HUB
Human Development Convocation, 7 p.m., HUB Ballroom	Undergraduate Student Government Administration Committee, 9:30 p.m., 215 HUB
Interfraternity Council, 1 p.m., 215-216 HUB	Undergraduate Student Government Senate Committee, 3:30 p.m., 214 HUB
Intervarsity Christian Fellowship, 6:30 p.m., 216 HUB	Used Book Agency, 8 a.m., HUB Cardroom

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