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Barker tells break-in motive

Barker yesterday said he broke into the Watergate "as a matter of national security" to look for documents showing leftist or Cuban contributions to the Democratic presidential campaign.

He said he found none. 'I considered it duty for my country," Barker told the Senate Watergate committee. He added he has not changed

Foremost in his mind - and in the minds of the three Cuban-Americans arrested with him — was to gain support in high places for another operation to liberate Cuba from Fidel Castro's Communist government.

"I am part of a team with which I am very proud to be associated," Barker said in a choked voice. "We'll have to live with the word 'burglar.' But we resent, very emotionally, the words that we were hired.

"There was no need to buy our silence. We were not for sale...We're just plain people who very truthfully believed that

political espionage.

Barker received limited immunity for his appearance. He was preceded on the stand by Gerald Alch, former attorney for convicted conspirator James W. McCord Jr.

The committee then called Alfred C. Baldwin, the former FBI agent who monitored the wiretapped conversations

from Democratic Party headquarters. Baldwin said he asked no immunity for his testimony but relied on government promises not to prosecute him if he agreed to testify.

Barker, whose

Barker, whose parents are Americans, was born in Cuba and spent half his life there. For a time he worked in the pre-Castro Cuban police depart-

He was one of five men arrested inside Democratic offices June 17 and one of five who pleaded guilty to conspiracy, burglary and illegal wiretapping charges

"What sort of documents were you primarily looking for?" Barker was

A. Documents that would involve

wife of a third conspirator. matter of national security," Barker Barker also said he participated in Skylab 1 repairmen

CAPE KENNEDY, Fla. (AP) — Skylab 1 astronauts, the first space do-ityourself repairmen, are poised for a 9 a.m. launch today and the start of a salvage mission which must succeed if America's space station is to be saved.

Democratic campaign, especially to Sen. George McGovern and possibly to Sen. Edward M. Kennedy.

Q. Were you looking for documents

Barker said he received money from

Ms. E. Howard Hunt, the now-deceased

reflecting a contribution from any

particular foreign government?

A. Cuba.

Astronauts Charles Conrad Jr., Dr. Joseph P. Kerwin and Paul J. Weitz will be lofted into orbit aboard an Apollo command ship packed with tools and materials to repair the overheated and underpowered Skylab station.

Engineers, scrambling to complete the sun shields to shade the space station, raced against the clock to ready the devices.

Space Agency officials, meanwhile, hesitated in selecting which of four sun shade designs to fly on Skylab 1 and in what order to deploy them.

"All of the devices work to one degree or another," said William C. Schneider, Skylab program director. "All of the devices have drawbacks to one degree or another."

The shades include an umbrella, a sail-shaped curtain, an A-frame shade and one shaped like an inflatable life

Schneider said a decision would have been made late yesterday. Part of the delay in deciding, he said, was the need to coat material for two of the shades

prepared for mission

on Hunt's word that "this was national

"The original operation was the Ellsberg operation," said Barker, one of the team that rifled the psychiatric files

of Pentagon Papers figure Daniel

"It was explained to me that this was a

security and above the FBI and CIA.

with special paint and chemicals. Schneider said if the shades are not finished in time for today's lift-off, the launch would be delayed until tomorrow morning,

The fate of the \$294 million orbiting laboratory, the essential element in America's new \$2.6 billion space program, depends on whether the astronauts can erect a shield to shade the sun-baked vehicle.

If they fail, men will be unable to live aboard the space station where temperatures are above 120 degrees. The experiment-packed orbiting laboratory then would be useless.

Successful deployment of a sun shade would permit the astronauts to carry out the balance of a 28-day mission. It also would make possible the 56-day Skylab 2 and 3 missions in August and November.

Today's launch must come within a 10minute period after 9 a.m. to place the craft in proper orbital phase with Skylab, orbiting overhead at 275 miles per hour. The astronauts will spend seven and

one half hours chasing the space station. They will rendezvous with the lab over the Pacific Ocean about 4:40 p.m. and spend 30 minutes flying around it, inspecting the ships' wounds. The inspection will be televised.

JESSE JACKSON, national president of People United to Save Humanity, last night told a Rec Hall audience. "Our dominant characteristic must be moral Cuba has a right to live. He denied suggestions from the strength and excellence in the things of life that are necessary." See story, page 3.

Photo by Dave Wexler

Chamber of Commerce inquires into bookstore selling practices

By MARY JANE KERRIGAN Collegian Staff Writer

A letter from the State College Chamber of Commerce inquiring about items being sold at the newly-opened campus bookstore should reach University officials today or early next week, according to Charles Mong, Chamber of Commerce executive

The Chamber's board of directors yesterday voted to draft the letter of inquiry after the State College Downtown Association proposed a resolution protesting the contents of the University bookstore. Mong said the board will wait for a reply before considering further action on the matter.

The continued concern of downtown merchants over campus bookstore sales items other than text books is not expected to interfere with the University's plans for the store. Vice President for Business Ralph E. Zilly said he does not anticipate problems resulting from the Chamber of Commerce inquiry.

"We plan to make changes

Weather

Light rain ending this morning but mostly cloudy, damp and cool today, high 63. Partly cloudy tonight and Saturday with chance of a shower or thunderstorm Saturday afternoon. Low tonight 50, high tomorrow 69. Sunday partly cloudy, high 70.

prompted by the Chamber of Commerce." Zilly said. Some of the items in question will be sold until the stock is depleted, while other items, notably Penn State souvenirs, are considered "legitimate" merchandise for a college bookstore, according to Zilly.

"We want to carry some things they will probably object to, but I feel the volume isn't sufficient enough to give them concern," Zilly said, adding downtown merchants are exaggerating a problem that is "so small it's ridiculous.

University bookstore Manager Dayton Henson said he does not understand why the merchants are upset, since no less than 80 per cent of the store's total business concerns selling and buying back books. Henson pointed out that items now sold have been sold in the HUB annex for at least the last five years without downtown businessmen complaints.

Merchanise comparisons were made with the bookstores at two other staterelated universities, Temple University and the University of Pittsburgh, according to Henson. He said these stores sell "what the students want."

"The student is most important as far as I'm concerned," he said but added interests are not considered in deciding what should be sold in the campus bookstore.

Undergraduate Student Government President Mark Jinks said the University cannot afford to "be in business" and therefore cannot take all student interests into consideration. If students had their way, Jinks said, "I think we'd have a co-op.'

Jinks said he does not see the Chamber of Commerce inquiry as threatening the bookstore's existence. "There's no way they are going to stop that. The merchants can complain if they want but the University has enough influence to exert pressure on them," he said.

Although it is too early to know if the University bookstore will break even, Jinks said without the extra items the bookstore would be operating below a subsistance level budget. "There's no money in books anyway," Jinks said.

One reason for the downtown merchants' complaints is that the University has a higher buy-back rate than town bookstores. "The buy-back rate is where Jerry Gruhn (Student Book Store manager) makes his money," Jinks

The University sells high-profit items to compensate for losses on textbooks. Jinks suggested if downtown merchants succeed in forcing the University bookstore to give up selling these extra items, downtown stores would get back their business and their profits

Higher tuition may affect Temple funding

By PAT HUNKELE Collegian Staff Writer

Temple University will lose its state funding unless it guarantees it will match state appropriations increases with a decrease in the announced tuition hike, Senator Henry J. Cianfrani, D-Philadelphia, said Wednesday

Temple announced Monday it will raise its current \$970 yearly tuition by \$40 a semester.

Cianfrani, chairman of the Senate Appropriations Committee, said the on to raise tuition w premature and arbitrary action on the part of the university.

According to Vince Carocci, Senate press officer, Temple administrators anticipated the university would receive \$49.7 million budgeted for Temple by Gov. Shapp and did not expect more



state funding for the 1973-74 academic

year.
"There is absolutely no foundation to the university's position that the state appropriation to the institution will be held to its current level of \$49.7 million," Cianfrani said.

Kummer said local builders sometimes interpret the provision

as meaning they only have to meet

A borough official who asked to

remain nameless said beam fire

protection for Alex Woskob's 12-

story Penn Towers Apartments

meets state but not BOCA stan-

"The university knows full well that I have committed myself to exert what influence I can to secure additional state funds not only for Temple but for other colleges and universities," he added.

Carocci said Temple's tuition increase came before the appropriations bill for state-related colleges was brought before the House or the Senate. Cianfrani said, "No bill appropriating

funds to Temple, regardless of the amount, will be brought to the floor of the Senate for a vote" unless university administrators submit a written guarantee that any money the university receives above the recommended \$49.7 million will be used to reduce the proposed tuition increase.

A Temple spokesman yesterday said he did not know how the university would respond to Cianfrani's ultimatum.

The two other state-related schools, the University of Pittsburgh and Penn State, are planning tuition hikes unless the General Assembly appropriates more money than Shapp budgeted for them. Carocci said Pitt and Penn State are waiting for the final state appropriations to pass before making any final decisions on the amount of tuition

Shapp decided to freeze spending for higher education at current levels. According to Carocci, officials at Temple, Pitt and Penn State said Shapp's action was in effect an appropriations cut because of increased university operating costs.

Pitt's tuition now is \$994 per academic year and the university has not released proposed tuition hike figures. Penn State's tuition is \$855 a year with a proposed \$900 tuition hike.

Apartment problems many

'You have to do a lot of digging

when you find a guy in violation

to do anything about it'

By CARL DIORIO Collegian Staff Writer

With more people apartment hunting than there is housing to accomodate them, students have to take what they can get even if the apartments are in less than habitable condition, according to Bruce Kelly, Organization of Town Independent Students president.

"If we would go ahead on an all-out fight to get these places condemned what would you do, have everybody camp out on the lawn?" Labeling State College real estate

business a seller's market, Kelly said OTIS is "basically in a rearguard type action, trying to get a lot of little things cleared up. Local apartment complexes

basically are well constructed, he said, but problems still crop up. Kelly cited lack of hallway and exit lighting in Bluebell Apartments as an example of such problems.

Borough Housing Inspector Joseph Sousa said, "A great many deficiencies" exist in Bluebell but because of a recent ownership change an agreement was made not to inspect the complex until June. Sousa said borough officials

'enforce the regulations and ordinances to the extent that we can." He said "the letter of the law" is not upheld but added many students would have no place to live if it

Kelly said the planned 800-unit Southgate Mews development will help alleviate the housing squeeze.

Old houses, converted to apartments, bring complaints of substandard conditions more often than complex apartments, Kelly said. He

added often upper stories of converted houses carry more weight than they were built for. Kelly singled out Sun S.C. Corp.

apartments as being in questionable condition and called Sun heating bills, outrageous because of inadequate wall insulation. Poor apartment soundproofing

also annoys many tenants, Kelly said. He said recent OTIS attempts to improve soundproofing for apartments over Shandygaff Saloon failed because the borough lacks a noise-control ordinance.

Richard Kummer, borough councilman and associate professor said, "I think it'll be passed but I hope that it's not so watered down that it's worthless.'

Kummer suggested such an ordinance would be "a backdoor way of assuring better construction standards" in State College. "I think there's a lot of con-

struction going up that's too light," he added. Kummer said non-steel supported, low-rise complexes are the

The walls of steel-supported structures often are very thin and poorly soundproofed, Kummer said. Since walls are not relied on for

Alpha Fire Company Chief Ronald Ross said in many comstrongest apartments built. plexes tenant vandalism has left buildings lacking safety equipment such as fire extinguishers, fire alarms and exit lights. He said Bluebell is in "a hell of a mess" from such abuse.

state regulations.

A false alarm is set off in Beaver Terrace Apartments two or three times a month, Ross said. As a result only about five or six firemen now answer calls from the building, he said.

Another dangerous effect of the pranks is that Beaver Terrace residents sometimes stay in bed when they hear an alarm, assuming it to be phony, Ross added.

He urged that sprinkler systems be built in apartment buildings for fire protection. Ross said he does not know of any complexes with sprinklers, but the Hotel State College, the Campus Restaurant and other downtown businesses use the system.

Although adequate, local fire codes should be defined more clearly, Ross said. "You have to do a lot of digging when you find a guy in violation to do anything about it," he said.



of architectural engineering, said he submitted plans for a noise pollution law to a study group 16 months ago.

Kummer said although the group is highly qualified and local expertise is also high, the men are not paid for their work so "consequently it is a low priority on their

A maximum street noise level would be included in the ordinance, Kummer said, adding truck traffic through downtown areas therefore would be decreased.

Concerning chances of borough's council accepting the law, Kummer support in the steel-frame system lighter wall materials are used, he

Kummer expressed concern about apartment builders' attempts to use lenient building codes.

The Building Officials' and Administrators' Code is supposed to be met by all buildings constructed in the borough. But there is also a statewide Labor and Industries Department code less stringent than the borough's.

When State College adopted BOCA's code, a provision was added to insure it would not hinder enforcement of the state code.