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Photo by Chip Connelly

Evangelist Jed Smock expounds in front of Willard. The normally small crowd swelled as a bomb threat evacuated the building. There were four preachers yesterday instead of the usual two. See page 16 for more photos.

Bomb-scare crowd attracts evangelists

By MARK HARMON
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A two-foot high wall by Willard was transformed into a podium yesterday by preachers George "Jed" Smock, Max Lynch, and Clarence "Bro" Cope.

The preaching session began about noon and continued through most of the afternoon. The crowd swelled to about 300 after a bomb threat emptied Willard, but at any point an average of 150 to 200 people were gathered around the trio. The crowd started to diminish about 4:30.

Lynch stressed their theme, "There's not a church on the face of the earth that can save you. You must be born again. Jesus said unless you are born again you cannot get into the kingdom of heaven."

Smock explained his transition from a "long haired, demon possessed, hippie sex freak" to a "clean cut, preacher-man with Jesus." Smock said he had "seen the light of God" many times, most notably in North Africa and in a Burger King in Park County, Indiana.

At first the crowd was content to let the preachers rattle off numerous religious theories and Bible quotations, and then react to them. However, around 2:30 the crowd started challenging.

First to be challenged were Smock's statements on homosexuality. Recently Smock challenged what he called "the sodomites of Purdue," a group of homosexuals protesting an Indiana Anita Bryant rally. Smock continued yesterday saying, "God hates homosexuality. I would never trust a homosexual. I would never trust them with my children. There's no telling what they'll do, even murder."

Karen Rath (11th-religious studies) said, "He's stressing the judgement of God rather than the love of God. I see in this movement a whole right-wing direction. People are using it (religion) in order to attack."

Lynch said, "The devil is trying to kill your body with nicotine, alcohol, dope, fornication, and rock music." The crowd demanded to hear more

about rock music. Smock said most rock music was "satanical," specifically mentioning The Moody Blues, the Beatles, and the Rolling Stones.

Pressed for an answer, Smock said his favorite vocalist was Anita Bryant. Then the preachers and some supporters broke into a chorus of "Onward Christian Soldiers" followed by "When the Saints Go Marching In."

Smock quoted a scripture which stated women should remain silent. After a few boos and jeers, the questions continued.

Smock exclaimed he wanted a return to prohibition and the death penalty to all alcohol distributors. Lynch declared that positively everyone not a Christian was going to hell. Smock then said that most of the crowd did not want to be saved. The crowd roared in agreement.

Smock said, "No, I can't believe Jesus had long hair," but that shaving his head "wouldn't be right either."

When queried on societal rights, Smock stated, "I don't think anyone should be forced to hire a homosexual." Later he announced that due to an inability to accept God, "Penn State is turning out more queers than Ph.D's." At various times, Lynch, Smock, and Cope all said they were saints.

Tri Huynh (9th-journalism) said, "Most of the things he has listed are based on his own standards. It seems so irrelevant."

Throughout the day, the preachers were questioned by Christians, Jews, atheists, and even Moonies, Hare Krishna's and Zorastrians.

Many were pleased when Lynch said many of the women on campus need to be freed from a spirit of lust.

Many were angered by Smock's statements and his fire-and-brimstone forcefulness. But a great many agreed with Mindy Fineberg, who noted, "They make you listen. It's new entertainment for Willard."

Today is the last day for trio entertainment. Cope will remain but Lynch and Smock hit the road again.

Stewart, Addison air their views

Candidates differ on halting rape

By CHUCK SHEARER
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Gregory Stewart and Arnold Addison, Democratic and Republican candidates for mayor of State College, disagreed on rape prevention, housing code enforcement the general duties of mayor under home rule charter and other local issues during last night's candidates' night held in Simmons Lounge.

Stewart said the answer to the assault problem is a proper mix of better lighting, improved mass transit during the evenings and proper community education.

"We have to attack the problem with all three of these approaches," Stewart said. "Just using one will not do one bit of good."

"There is money to light the tennis courts so we should be able to get federal and state funds to improve street lighting."

Addison said he favored an assault prevention system used in Allentown. Called the Checkmate Program, it equips trained volunteers with citizen band radios and has them cruise high-crime areas.

"The people in these programs are not vigilantes," Addison said, "but people selected and trained by the police to give extra protection to the communities."

Addison said plans for better lighting run into a dilemma.

Lighting fixtures have been budgeted but the lights are blocked by trees which people do not want cut down under any circumstances, Addison said.

Stewart said he did not like the idea of a Checkmate Program for State College.

"I have given the foundation for a good rape prevention program and we do not need people running around with CB radios," he said.

Stewart said the reason housing code enforcements were not being enforced is a lack of resources. There are only four people on the county level to keep a check on code enforcements, which is not nearly enough, he said.

"The problem can be solved by using qualified University students as code enforcement officers," Stewart said. The borough does not have the resources to hire more people, he said, so it should hire students. It would give them



Photo by Dan Felack

Mayoral candidates Arnold Addison (left) and Greg Stewart express their views at last night's candidates' night.

practical experience and save the cost of hiring additional personnel, Stewart said.

Addison disagreed with Stewart on the use of students as code enforcement officers.

"There is more to code enforcement than just having students look at buildings. There are codes and information that students could not enforce without considerable training," he said.

"We would have to have a strong training program even before we could even consider using students in this capacity," Addison said.

Stewart argued with Addison, saying that qualified students could perform the functions of a code enforcement officers.

"You don't need to be an expert to see wires hanging out of ceilings to know there is a problem," Stewart said.

Addison said it is dangerous to oversimplify the situation and stressed the need for qualified personnel.

The two candidates had strong dif-

ferences of opinion on the use of the veto in local government.

"The veto is the most important power of the mayor," Addison said. It was given to the mayor so he could work as part of the check and balance system in local government, he said.

Addison said if the mayor will not use the veto, he becomes a rubber stamp for the council and is not needed.

"I will follow the model of Jo Hays and only use the veto in good conscience," Addison said.

Stewart said a mayor does not need veto power in order to be a good mayor.

"If the mayor sets up an air of co-operation with council and voices his objections at the beginning of the legislative process, the veto is unnecessary and the mayor will not be a rubber stamp," Stewart said. He said, however, in case of strong disagreement, he would use the veto.

Both candidates agreed on the need to involve more students in local government but disagreed on how this should be accomplished.

Addison said he would form a mayor's

commission on students affairs. The commission would try to start a one-to-one relationship with student organizations and try to get more students on boards and commissions.

Stewart said that the borough did not need a special commission to deal with students.

"The mayor should be the communication link between students and the borough," he said. Stewart is also in favor of students sitting in on local boards and commissions.

Addison said the borough is faced with the possibility of having to increase taxes in order to keep up with the services people demand.

"We cannot have the best of both worlds," Addison said. If the public demands projects like bike paths, it will have to be willing to pay for them, he said.

Stewart said that with regional co-operation, new programs can be paid for and overhead among the different townships can be cut.

"We can extend social and human services," Stewart said.

Hijacker shoots self, ends ordeal

ATLANTA (UPI) — Bank robbery suspect Thomas Michael Hannan hijacked an airliner then released his hostages unharmed and committed suicide rather than surrender.

Hannan hijacked the plane in an attempt to free from jail another suspect said to be his homosexual lover.

Hannan, 29, ignored the pleas of his attorney, who went aboard the Frontier Airlines plane after the passengers left, and shot himself once in the chest.

"He was in the back of the plane sitting down in one of the seats," said James Dunn, agent in charge of the Atlanta FBI office. "There was no scuffle at all. He just sat down and pulled the trigger."

Hannan had hijacked the Boeing 737 twin-engine jet at Grand Island, Neb., his hometown, early yesterday morning and demanded the release from an Atlanta jail of George David Stewart, 29, along with \$3 million and two parachutes, apparently to be used in some sort of in-flight escape.

Stewart was being held on charges of robbing a National Bank of Georgia branch with Hannan, who had been released on bond. Sgt. James Gill of Mobile, Ala., police department said the two men had traveled the country together and "both admitted to having homosexual relations."

The plane initially carried 30 passengers and a crew of four, but Hannan released all of the women and

children, as well as two men, one a heart patient, when the craft stopped to refuel in Kansas City.

He released stewardesses Diane Lord and Bobbie Karr after the plane had been parked on an Atlanta runway about six hours. At that time "he inferred he was ready to kill the hostages," Dunn said.

But, after a plea from Stewart, who was flown by helicopter to the airport, and the personal effort of his attorney, J. Roger Thompson, who went aboard the plane, Hannan released the remaining 11 passengers unharmed.

The pilot and copilot remained on board while Thompson, who represented Hannan and Stewart in the bank robbery case, tried to talk Hannan into surrendering.

"I want to say that Mr. Thompson did a heck of a job in this whole thing," said Dunn. "He was mainly responsible for getting those people out of the plane."

Thompson, however, was unsuccessful in getting Hannan to put down his gun.

"Mr. Thompson was talking with the subject aboard the plane, trying to talk him off the aircraft. He was unsuccessful. The subject shot himself one time in the chest and is dead," Dunn said.

An ambulance rushed Hannan to Grady Hospital, where a doctor pronounced him dead on arrival.

The tension at the Atlanta airport extended to Kansas

City, where relatives of the remaining hostages awaited anxiously for news in a motel.

FBI agent Ken Teetzen took the word they all were waiting for.

"The hostages have been released," he yelled, and a Frontier Airline official ran down the motel hallway, pounding on doors to announce the news.

The hijacking began around 7:30 a.m. CDT yesterday at Grand Island, Neb.

Officials said Hannan pulled a sawed-off shotgun from a bag during a security check and commandeered the jet.

Lyle Wurtz, a high school friend of Hannan who was aboard, talked Hannan into releasing the women and children after the plane refueled at Kansas City.

Great day

Mostly sunny and pleasant today, high 65. Mostly clear tonight, low 45. Considerable cloudiness tomorrow with a chance of a few showers in the afternoon and at night but most of the time should be rain-free. The high tomorrow will be 63. Considerable cloudiness Sunday morning, but partly sunny in the afternoon and a little cooler.

IN EDITION

Watch where you walk in Walker

Just about everyone has noticed the Eric J. Walker Environmental Sciences Building. It's a nice new building on Atherton Street across from the bus station.

But unless the University does something fairly soon about the management in Walker Building, it's not going to be nice and new very long.

On the door of the sixth floor men's room is a sign which reads: "Bathroom out of order, use floor below."

Something smells funny about that deal.

Room for the Unknown Folder

Did you ever leave your laundry in the dryer at the laundromat, only to come back and find your dry clothes rolled in a ball and piled in a heap on top of the dryer?

You really can't blame the person who needs a dryer and can't wait for you to come by and pull your dry clothes out, but a Collegian reporter recently came across an unusual remedy for the problem at the laundry room in Briarwood.

Our hero left his stuff in the dryer,

and then became involved in his studies and forgot to get the clothes out until long after the cycle had finished. He ran to the laundry room, fearing the worst.

Instead, he found his things neatly folded and stacked on top of the dryer.

When he got over the initial shock, he picked up his stuff and left, neglecting to leave a note of thanks.

He passed it on to this column, which hereby awards Briarwood's Unknown Folder with the Nice Guy of the Week Award.

A rose by any other name...

If you're a university president, you really have to look out for your image. What you wear and how you speak become immensely important to your lifestyle.

Penn State's own University President John W. Oswald, recently participated in two horticulture panel discussions that might seriously damage his image.

The panels were sponsored by the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society. The problems with the panels were not the sponsor, however. Nor did they have anything to do with Oswald. (Oswald is a very competent botanist. He even discovered his own plant disease, the barley yellow dwarf.)

The problem was the titles of the panels. The first was called "Whither Horticulture?" (thither?) How can you respect a man who comments on whether horticulture? You respect a man who comments on Direction of Horticulture: A Look Ahead.

Then, Oswald spoke at a panel entitled, "Meanwhile, What About Now?" We don't know, what? The rumors about Oswald's next panel discussion have already started to fly. The most popular title as of now is, "Budget Blues: Appropriations Yea Verily!"

North puts more in more often

Well, the figures are in on this week's newspaper recycling drive.

Eco-Action informs us that North Halls in this week's big winner. North had the highest percentage of residents turn in their Daily Collegians for recycling. East came in second, and South Halls took third.

Penn State: Unsafe at any speed

We know who Ralph Nader is, but why is he saying these terrible things about us?

Two years ago, Penn State was

hearing a lot about Ralph Nader. The popular consumer advocate was backing the formation of a group called PennPIRG, a consumer protection organization that would have been run and financed by students.

The program ran into a snag at Penn State. The method proposed to collect student money was a "negative check-off" system. If a student didn't want to contribute \$2 to the PennPIRG fund, he would have had to indicate such on his tuition payment.

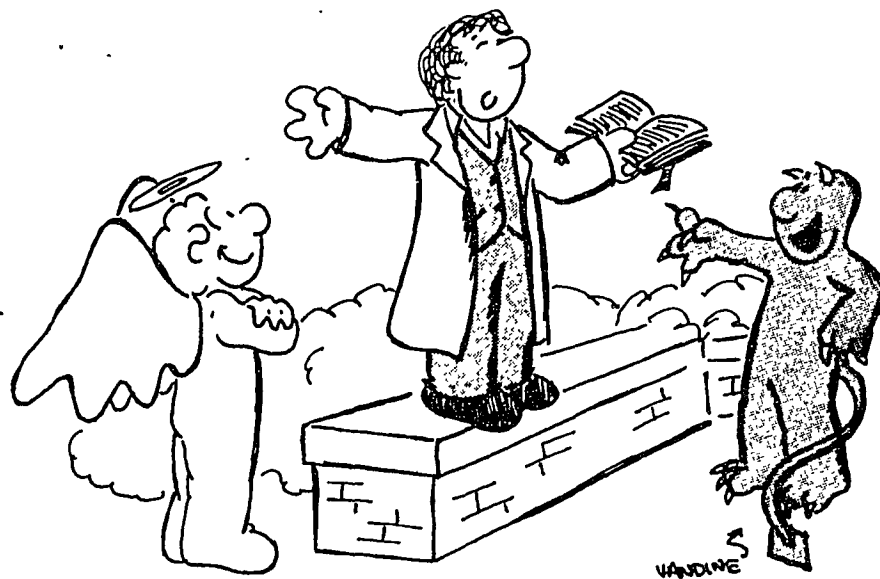
Objections to this proposal tangled PennPIRG in the red tape of Penn State's bureaucracy, and it died a slow death by strangulation.

Recently, Ralph Nader has been working with MassPIRG, University of Massachusetts' equivalent of PennPIRG. In a speech Nader gave at UMass on Oct. 6, he made a passing reference to his struggle with the Penn State bureaucracy.

Nader called the Penn State campus "stupid, ignorant, and authoritarian," "run just like a business," and "the pinball capital of the world."

And just think. All he was trying to do was set up a consumer group. Imagine his reaction if he would have tried to register.

Stories collected by Mark VanDine. Contributing writers Bob Frick, Dave Skidmore.



It's the next best thing to being there

Program! Program! You can't tell your evangelists apart without a program!

After watching the various evangelists expound on their various beliefs over the past couple weeks, we thought we'd supply our readers with a list of just who you're talking to and/or heckling at.

Bro Cope and Steve Michaels are our resident evangelists. They're the ones who usually stand on the mall and preach to the Willard steps. They both have beards; Bro's is black and Steve's is brown.

The well-dressed preachers who have turned up just recently are Jed Smock and Max Lynch. This visit marks the third (not second) coming of Jed and Max to Penn State, their last having been about two years ago. Max is the one with the dark glasses. You'll find these two standing on the small wall by Willard.

So if you don't make it to church Sunday, don't worry. You can still make it to your third period class at Willard Monday and get the same thing.