

The bigger, the better

Bart Hetrick (8th-chemical engineering, left) and Joe Lokay (10th-electrical engineering) prepare to "light up" their prize-winning Daily Collegian joint, made in the Penn State Organization to Reform Marijuana Laws joint-rolling contest late last term. The contest offered a

special prize to the person who could roll the best joint from a Collegian. It is not known whether newsprint can provide the same "high" that other, more illegal sub-

Energy dept. issues emergency rules

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Department of Energy on Thursday spelled out tactics to cope with any winter shortages of natural gas, oil, coal, propane, or hydroelectric power, including possible allocation of fuels and mandatory thermostat settings

David J. Bardin, head of the department's Economic Regulatory Administration and chairman of a special task force, issued a two-volume "Energy Emergency Planning Guide." He said it is not a fixed plan of action, but rather a set of guidelines.

The guide points out, for example, that the imposition of mandatory thermostat settings in non-residential buildings would be so hard to enforce and have such uncertain fuelsaving benefits that it probably would not be applied except in an extreme fuel shortage.

The government prepared fuel emergency plans in past years, but these were mainly linked to immediate problems such as the Arab oil embargo

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of 1973-74, and the chronic winter shortages of natural gas.

The new planning guide is the first major attempt at a comprehensive outline of potential problems in all the major energy sources and the options open to federal and state agencies to deal

The department last month, forecast less severe natural gas shortages this winter than last, if the weather is normal. Even in a hard winter, substitute fuels should be available to avoid economic hardship in most areas, it said. But the guide points out that energy emergencies could develop in a number of other ways.

Flaherty to begin governor race

HARRISBURG (AP) - Former Pittsburgh Mayor Peter Flaherty said Thursday that he'll authorize a gubernatorial fund-raising committee within the next two weeks.

Flaherty, who left the mayor's office last April to become head of the U.S. Justice Department's criminal division, announced last Saturday that he would leave the Washington post.

At that time, he said he would decide before the end of the year whether he would enter the 1978 Democratic gubernatorial primary.

Authorizing a fund-raising committee is normally the first step to entering a political campaign.

"I plan to set up that authorization before Dec. 15," Flaherty said in a telephone interview.

The date is important because that's when a Pittsburgh group is planning a \$1,000 per person reception to start a Flaherty warchest.

County planners want balance

Community needs vs. resources

The Centre County Planning Staff Community needs include housing, presented a comprehensive plan; to improve the balance between natural resources and community needs to the Centre Regional Planning Commission

In a slide presentation, Robert B. Donaldson, Jr., director of the Centre County Planning Staff, discussed recommendations to develop and maintain areas of environment and community.

Environmental elements include open space areas such as agricultural lands. forests, and mineral resources, and developed space areas such as flood plains, soil resources, and sloping lands.

transportation, facilities and services, according to the plan.

Donaldson said that the purpose of the comprehensive plan is to help boroughs and townships develop natural and community resources. The staff compiled a report and recommendations from individual studies of environment and community problems.

The commission agreed to review the report. They also asked Donaldson to give another presentation before the Centre Regional Council of Governments in January and municipal officials and planning commissions in

Thomas J. Pelick, Ferguson Township representative, reported that a committee discussed several legislative bills with State Sen. J. Doyle Corman (R-34th senatorial district). These bills included flood plain legislation storm water management, and joint zoning or-

The commission voted to discuss the bills further with State Rep. Helen Wise, (D-77th district), before recommending any action to the local councils of

governments. In other business the commission set up a nominating committee for new

officers for 1978. -by Vicki Fong

Assasination queries unanswered

disclosed FBI documents on the assassination of John F. Kennedy raise, but do not answer, questions about Lee Harvey Oswald's movements in the days before Dallas, and about the source of the bullets that killed the president.

The 597 pages of documents are the first of more than 40,000 the FBI will release Dec. 7 to comply with requests under the Freedom of Information Act for its material on the investigation of Kennedy's death in Dallas, Nov. 22, 1963.

The first three volumes were provided to a private researcher several months ago and were made available to The Associated Press on Thursday.

The documents, many heavily censored, show that the FBI attempted to trace the fatal bullets from the time they were manufactured until they reached

the assassin's hands. Agents were preplexed at first by a piece of evidence they found.

The bullets were 6.5-millimeter Mannlicher-Carcano ammunition. Agents determined that the manufacturer was the Western Cartridge Corp. of East Alton, Ill.

Agents in Illinois examined the company's production records and found that the firm produced four million rounds of this type of ammunition for the S. Marine Corps in 1954.

"The interesting thing about this order that it is for ammunition which does not fit and cannot be fired in any of the USMC weapons," said an FBI memo dated Dec. 2, 1963.

'This gives rise to the obvious

speculation that it is a contract for ammunition placed by CIA with Western under a USMC cover for concealment purposes," the memo continued.

In other words, FBI officials speculated that the CIA was using the Marine Corps as a cover to purchase ammunition in secret.

A memo written at FBI headquarters the next day noted that the George Zucker Sales Co. of Chicago had purchased about two million rounds for commercial resale in 1962.

In the first batch of files released. these were the only two memos dealing with the ammunition. The material said

nothing more to explain or resolve the agents' speculation. Nor was it known whether the files to be released next week, and another 40,000 pages due later, would shed more light on the

The Warren Commission investigated the assassination and concluded that Oswald, acting alone, killed Kennedy. The commission reported that this type of ammunition "is readily available for purchase from mail order houses as well as a few gun shops." It noted that "some two million rounds have been placed on sale in the United States."

Outing Club completes its Mid-State trail relocation

The Outing Club has completed a relocation of the Mid-State Hiking Trail in Rothrock State Park.

The construction of section three began in September, 1969 and moves the trail away from the Crowfield road, taking it

farther into the woods. Tom Thwaites, faculty advisor for the Hiking Division of PSOC, said the 2.9 kilometer trail was, "really made with student power." Almost all sections of the trail were cleared and are maintained by PSOC members, Thwaites

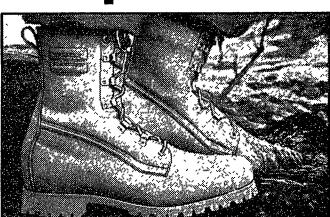
According to Thwaites the club started exploring for the trail in 1967. The first section opened in January, 1972 and the trail has been expanding ever since.

The Mid-State Trail is located entirely on state park land and is a public recreational facility.

Section three leaves the old route at Shingle Path, passes through Penn Roosevelt Park, climbs the western most ridge of Broad Mountain and connects with the old route where Centre, Huntingdon and Mifflin Counties meet

- by Betsy Long





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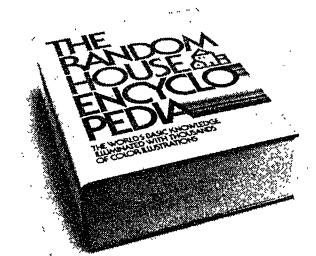
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