

Police report 4,100 Collegians stolen

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About 4,100 copies of The Daily Collegian were stolen from University residence halls early yesterday morning, University Police Services reported.

University police said the papers were taken from the North, East, and Pollock dorm areas between 6:10 and 8 a.m. University police also said they have no suspects, but they are investigating the case.

Because yesterday's paper contained the Collegian endorsement for the Undergraduate Student Government election, some speculation exists that the theft was organized for political purposes. However, University Police Manager Thomas R. Harmon said this is not necessarily true.

"We can't comment on the validity of student politics involved in this matter. We're certainly not going to point an accusatory finger at anyone merely because there is a USG election going on. This could be related and then again it could be a case of malicious mischief," he said.

Officer James Norman, who is conducting the investigation, said he is looking for several

people who were at Himes Printing Co., 1015 Benner Pike, where the Collegian is printed, early yesterday morning.

"There were several people, apparently students, at Himes between 3:30 and 4 a.m. who requested they get the first copy of the paper. These people came in three cars described as being a yellow Volvo or similar model, a gray sports car, and a light-colored vehicle," Norman said.

USG presidential candidate Dave Pritchard said last night he and running mate Pam Nesky went to Himes at about 4:30 a.m. to see if they could get a copy of yesterday's Collegian to find out who was endorsed. Pritchard said he and Nesky made the trip in a green Ford Maverick.

Another source at the scene who wished to remain unidentified said he saw USG Vice President Vicki Sandoe and four others at the printing company around 4:30 a.m. The source also said he saw two cars in Himes' parking lot — one, a "two-door silver compact," and the other, a "four-door yellow compact which looked like an Audi."

Bill Cluck (8th-speech communication), adviser of the Penn State National Organization for

the Reform of Marijuana Laws, said last night that he and USG Vice President Vicki Sandoe, along with four other people, were present at Himes early yesterday morning to find out who the Collegian endorsed. Cluck said he drove his car, a two-door yellow Volvo, to the scene.

Cluck would not identify who, if anyone, accompanied him and Sandoe in his Volvo.

Sandoe said she went to Himes as part of an initiation for a fraternity. She said it would be nice to get the first issue of the Collegian, which she said she did.

At 6 a.m., when Collegians were delivered to Findlay Union Building, it was reported that three vehicles, fitting a similar description as those at Himes, allegedly were parked in the area, Norman said.

"There were several people in the cars when one person got out of the gray vehicle and joined the others, then left," he said.

These people are not being sought as suspects, but as sources for information pertaining to the theft, Norman said.

"We want to identify these people so we can talk to them. They may have legitimate reasons for being there; maybe they were just anxious to

see the Collegian endorsement," Harmon said. Cluck said his car was not near East Halls yesterday at 6 a.m.

University police were notified of the theft at 10:24 a.m. yesterday by Doug Bell, Collegian managing editor. Bell said he reported the incident after receiving calls from several students who complained no papers were in the dorm areas, and after contacting several residence hall coordinators who verified that papers were missing.

Later yesterday, Collegian Adviser Gerry Hamilton reported to University police that a lock on a door leading to the Collegian production shop had been tampered with from the inside.

Janet Begin, North Halls coordinator, said all the residents she talked to did not pick up a Collegian in that area.

"It was odd because usually our janitor — who arrives at 8 a.m. — is the first to open the bundle of Collegians, and there were none there when he arrived," she said.

An East Halls coordinator reported that a few people in that area picked up papers before 7:30 a.m., but after that the Collegians were definitely gone.

Another coordinator from Pollocksaid there were plenty of Collegians at 10 a.m. But she said she had received second-hand information that earlier in the morning, a maid saw a stack of Collegians in a dumpster and only cut strings remained where the papers are usually located.

Bill Storey (3rd-engineering) said he found about 10 bundles of Collegians in a dumpster in the delivery dock near the service desk entrance of Pollock at about 8:30 a.m. yesterday.

"At 7 a.m. Collegians were where they usually are, then at 8 a.m. they were gone. When I walked by the dumpster after breakfast, I saw the papers, still tied in bundles, so I pulled them out and put them back where they usually are," he said.

Norman said when he checked the campus dumpsters for missing papers after 10:30 a.m., they had already been emptied.

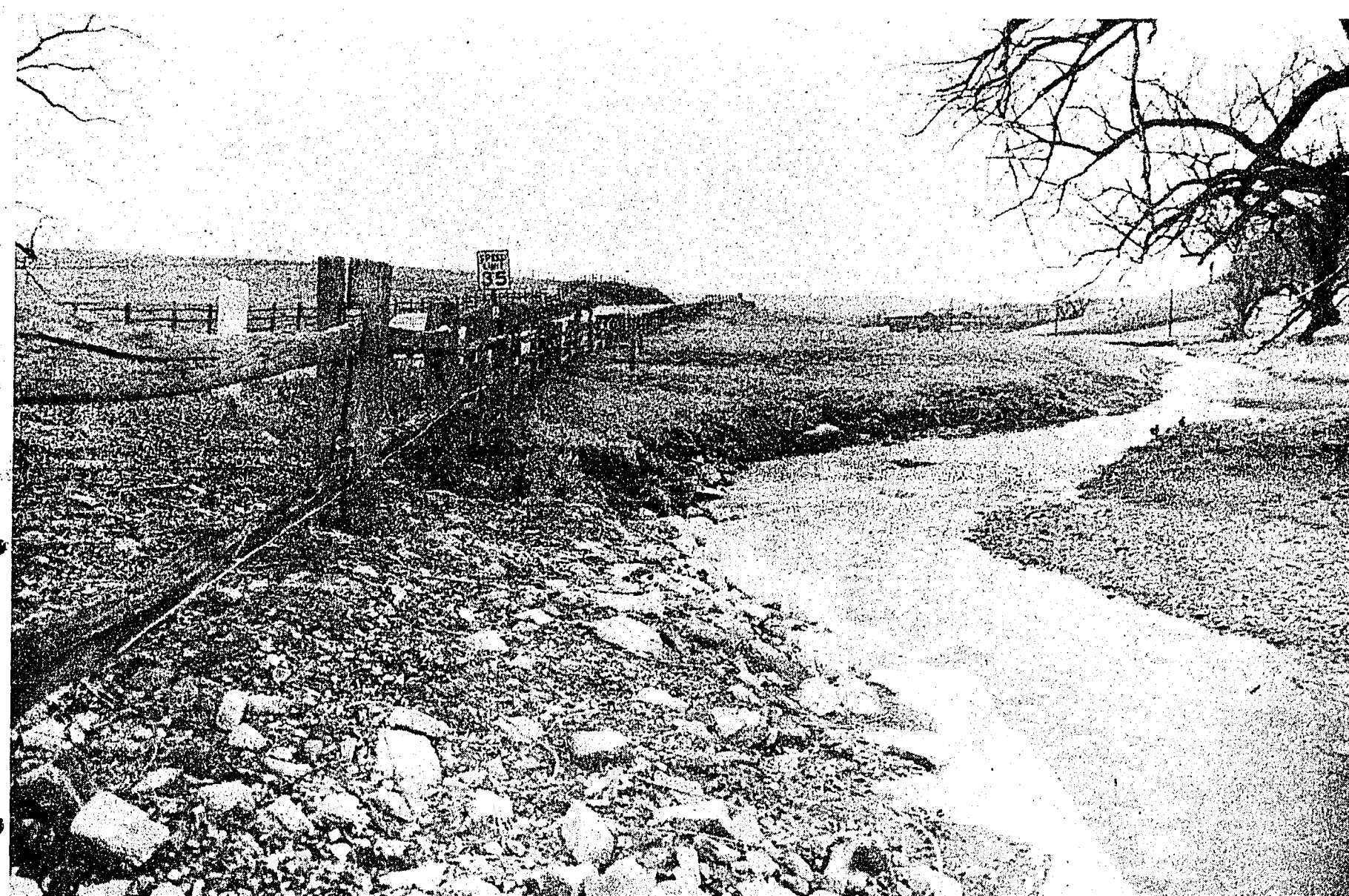
"We are investigating this as a criminal theft and mischief matter," Harmon said.

"If the persons responsible for this are identified we will review the matter with the district magistrate to determine what criminal charges would be filed," he said.

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Nature versus man-made
The water in the stream, located about one mile east of Hills Plaza, pays no attention to the imposed speed limit on the road as both cars and water race in their own way toward the horizon.

Low student turnout for first day voting

By VICKI FONG
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About 2,600 students voted in Undergraduate Student Government elections in the first day of voting yesterday, about 10 percent of the total student body.

Rob Fallon, USG elections commissioner, said the number is less than last year's first day tallies, which was approximately 11 percent of 25,000 students. Last year's total results estimated that only 26 percent of the student body came out to vote.

However, he said the count is only an estimate because a great number of paper ballots were cast, and a more accurate estimate will be figured tomorrow. Students can cast their vote by machine or by paper ballot. Fallon said in some areas the number of paper ballots cast equalled if not surpassed the number of votes cast in the machines.

Pollock Halls experienced the biggest turnout of voters, Fallon said, with North Halls and South Halls also having

big turnouts. He called the town voting turnout good, especially at the voting stations at College and Garner Streets, and the HUB.

One problem that occurred, however, was that the voting station at the bus stop across from Parkway Plaza had to close at 3:30 p.m. because only three students voted.

"We put the polls in two places at the bus stops," Fallon said, "so students in those areas would take the extra five minutes to vote, but most students were in a hurry and didn't stop to vote."

But he said that station, along with all the other voting stations in the dorm halls and in town, will be open from 9 a.m. to 7 tomorrow night.

Fallon said he hoped that the theft of yesterday's Collegians with the USG president and vice president endorsement will not deter students from voting.

"I'm sorry that it had to happen," he said, "It may be a good or bad thing."

FBI warnings frustrated by lax immigration policy

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Thousands of Iranians are entering the United States under a lax inspection policy that hampers and frustrates immigration agents and undercuts FBI warnings some may be student terrorists, a UPI investigation has uncovered.

Despite President Carter's claim that all incoming Iranians undergo close scrutiny, UPI discovered a silent but official policy of avoiding any incident that might anger Iran and endanger the 50 American hostages.

Although projecting an image of cracking down on Iranians in this country, the administration has created a bureaucratic tangle that has not been able to stop at the borders "students" carrying booklets on how to make bombs.

Government officials proudly point to "secondary inspections" as proof of America's vigilance. But those conducting the inspections ridicule them.

"I just about have to have the guy admit to me he is a terrorist before I can do anything," grumbled a frustrated inspector of the Immigration and Naturalization Service.

Since the embassy was seized Nov. 4, more than 11,000 Iranians have been admitted to the United States — a figure growing at a rate of about 50 a day. In the four previous years, 11,079 entered.

Last Sunday, at John F. Kennedy International Airport in New York, a young man with a student visa issued at the U.S. Embassy in Tehran was admitted to the United States after the INS conducted what officially is described as a thorough "secondary inspection."

In going through his luggage, the inspector found a military-like field manual that told how to make bombs and mines, fieldstrip the powerful Israeli Uzi machinegun, and use a wide range of other weapons.

Graduate enrollment up 300 since 1970

Editor's note: This is the second of a two-part series on enrollment at University Park.

By KATHY HOKE
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University graduate enrollment has risen by about 300 students since 1970, but changes in each of the colleges vary.

In addition, comparison of Winter Term 1970 and 1980 enrollment figures reveal that the total number of male graduate students dropped by 224, while the number of female students increased by 573.

The Colleges of Engineering, Science, and The Liberal Arts have experienced declines in graduate enrollment since 1970. Other colleges have either grown or remained stable in their graduate enrollment.

The College of Science has experienced the largest drop in graduate enrollment. Last term enrollment was 561 — down 212 since Winter Term 1970.

Norman Freed, assistant dean for resident instruction, said cutbacks in the amount of government funds for research has contributed to the enrollment decline.

"In general, there has not been sufficient willingness on the part of

government to finance scientific research and this has translated into less student interest at the graduate level, Freed said.

Freed said the college hopes an increase in government funding will keep graduate enrollment at a steady rate.

The College of Engineering has also experienced a drop in the number of its graduate students although the college's undergraduate enrollment has skyrocketed. Graduate enrollment last term was 342, but was 396 in Winter Term 1970.

Walter G. Braun, associate dean for instruction in Engineering, said private industry pays such high salaries to baccalaureate engineers that the college has difficulty attracting prospective graduate students.

"This makes it difficult for us to get teaching assistants and the best graduate students on research projects," he said. "We're concerned about this because people with doctorate degrees are not going to be there. In the future, we're going to have a difficult time filling our faculty positions."

Graduate enrollments have also dropped in the College of The Liberal Arts. Winter Term 1970 enrollment was 170 students higher than last term's enrollment of 710. Despite the drops, the college still has the largest graduate enrollment.

Liberal Arts Dean Stanley F. Paulson said some graduate degrees in liberal arts are not sure entries into jobs, and this affects enrollment. Some departments in the college are developing

Meiser resigns from coaching

By CARYL KAUFFMAN
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Pat Meiser, coach of the women's basketball team for six seasons, resigned yesterday as head coach of the Lady Lions. Meiser will continue, however, her teaching duties in the College of Health, Physical Education and Recreation.

Meiser said her decision was based on personal reasons.

"Although I've deeply enjoyed my coaching experience and will miss it and our players, women's basketball has become so demanding and time-consuming that I feel I must devote more time to my children," Meiser said. "I also plan to become more fully involved in my teaching and academic responsibilities."

In her six seasons as coach, Meiser had a 92-52 record and led her teams to the Eastern Association for Intercollegiate Athletics for Women Middle Atlantic district playoffs each year. For the past three seasons, Penn State has won at least 20 games.

When Meiser took the reigns of the basketball program, the Lady Lions played a seven-game schedule. Meiser added seven more games her first year and has continued to increase the number and the quality of the teams Penn State meet. This season the Lady Lions were 20-14 and played 16 nationally-ranked teams.

"I very much appreciate all that Pat has done for Penn State athletics and Penn State basketball in particular," Penn State athletic director Joe Paterno said. "We are com-

pletely dedicated to the continuation of her good work in seeking to make Penn State a recognized power in women's basketball."

Paterno said that a search committee is being formed to find Meiser's successor.

Meiser also has had national coaching experience, directing the Eastern junior team, which won the gold medal at the 1979 National Olympic Sports Festival in Colorado.

As a member of the AIAW National Basketball Sport Committee from 1975-77, Meiser helped implement the Final Four format for the national championship. She also helped restructure the Middle Atlantic large college championship.

Meiser announced her decision to the team in a meeting last night.

Penn State guard Chris Gulas said the team was shocked by the announcement.

"When we went into the meeting we had no idea what it was about," Gulas said. "We'd just gotten done playing a game and we were in a good mood. She handed us this (the press release) and told us it was for personal reasons. It was very emotional. I hope everything works out for her."

"I liked her as a coach. I respected her. She brought this program from nothing to a big thing."

"She was a good coach and she was a good person," sophomore forward Robin Lombard said.

Jon Bednarek, who played all four years under Meiser said it was unfortunate.

"I was shocked," Bednarek said.



Pat Meiser
PSU sports information photo

"She's done so much for this program. I thought that in a few years she might step down because of her family but I didn't expect it so soon."

"I'll remember how much the program has grown, everything we've done, how she brought us in. I really haven't had time to think about it."

Bednarek added that it's easier for the seniors because they'll be leaving but said it could be hard for the younger players.

But Lombard said that although there will be adjustments, she doesn't foresee any problems.

"I guess any time you change coaches there are adjustments," Lombard said. "We're going to go in there not knowing what (the new coach) is like but she won't know us either. I don't really anticipate any problems though."

Remember the sun?
The clouds will lose their battle to stay over us when the sky clears this afternoon and the thermometer hits 47. Tonight will be mostly clear and cool with a low of 28. Tomorrow will be sunny with a high of 53.