

CATA votes to discontinue Bellefonte service

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Centre Line service between Bellefonte and State College will be discontinued at the end of the year as a result of action by the Centre Area Transportation Authority on Friday.

The CATA board voted Friday to discontinue service on the X-route from the Nittany Mall to Bellefonte. Service will stop with the last regularly-scheduled run on Dec. 31, CATA Chairman John Spychalski said.

The action was taken after a proposal before Bellefonte Municipal Council to fund the service was defeated last Monday.

Dwayne Fisher of Bellefonte asked CATA to delay its decision long enough to give a group of Bellefonte citizens time to organize and persuade the council to reconsider.

"We're concerned and we hope we don't lose (the bus)," he said.

A citizens' group was scheduled to meet yesterday in the Bellefonte High School auditorium to discuss a course of action, Fisher said.

"I'm asking you to grant us a few hours until our meeting," he said. A representative of the Bellefonte citizens' group was unavailable for comment on yesterday's meeting.

Spychalski said it was not too late to reverse the planning process. However, it is an involved procedure that must be started now.

"If perchance your efforts should bear fruit . . . at least conceivably this process could be reversed," he said.

"From the standpoint of orderly management of the authority's affairs, we must continue planning for the

transition," he said.

Nearly two months is needed to plan for the transition because CATA must study the effects on the Centre Region, CATA general manager Paul Oversier said.

The transition includes planning "a new schedule which excludes Bellefonte and minimizes the effects on the region," he said.

The five buses that travel the X-route provide service for 32 other trips throughout the Centre Region, Oversier said.

CATA must have new timetables printed and must also inform patrons on other routes in advance of any changes, he said.

CATA also agreed to stop the sale of Bellefonte annual and winter quarter passes immediately. A 50 percent refund will be given on any annual passes with time remaining after

Dec. 31.

Big 22 passes will continue to be sold, but no refunds will be given on any remaining punches, although they can be used within the region after Dec. 31.

In other business at Friday's meeting of the CATA board:

• CATA authorized Oversier to send out bid specifications on five buses the authority wants to sell. CATA wants to sell the buses to the highest bidder and lease them back to pay off a loan and qualify for additional federal operating subsidies. The \$40,000 loan is due in the middle of December, State College representative Jim Miller said.

• Oversier said the sale of Fall Term passes increased this year by almost 32 percent over last year. CATA sold 912 passes this year and 692 last year.

Exxon gives PSU \$300,000 to help teaching careers

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In an effort to encourage young engineers to forego private industry jobs and pursue teaching careers, the Exxon Education Foundation will grant \$300,000 to the University, said William McKeough, program officer for the Exxon Education Foundation.

"The program is two-fold. We're not particularly interested in senior faculty because they're already established in their profession and they're not too vulnerable to private industry offers," he said. "We are interested in junior faculty because they are just beginning in the teaching world and as a result of such things as economic factors, they are more vulnerable to industry offers."

"Also, we are looking down the road for a future supply of teachers."

The University will receive the funding in the College of Earth and Mineral Sciences and the College of Engineering.

The support the University is receiving is only a small portion of the total \$15 million grant which will be divided among 66 U.S. colleges and universities, McKeough said. Exxon Corp. is funding the special one-time grant as part of its centennial to be observed in 1982.

The purpose of the program, which will be financed over a five-year period, is to decrease the flow of young engineers in college and university teaching jobs to private industry, where the salaries tend to be greater, McKeough said.

A major corporation like Exxon funds a program whose purpose is to keep young engineers from joining their company because it needs someone to train its end product, said Shar Bucklin, assistant dean of the College of Engineering.

"The demand for engineers is greater than it has been since World War II," she said. "They (Exxon) want a product coming out of the University that is a good one. They're not the only company that's doing this."

Nationally, a large contingent of 21,000 students with bachelor's degrees in engineering are going directly from college to private industry, Bucklin said. Salaries paid in private industry discourage students from seeking advanced degrees and holding junior faculty positions, she said.

For example, a student entering private industry with a bachelor's degree in engineering makes the same, and in most cases, a higher salary than a graduate with a doctorate who is beginning to teach, Bucklin said.

Beginning in the 1982-83 academic year, the Exxon Education Foundation will award 100 three-year \$50,000 Exxon Teaching Fellowships to the 66 designated institutions. The University will receive two fellowships, with one in chemical engineering and one in mining engineering.

The teaching fellowship's purpose is to increase the number of students in graduate programs leading to a doctorate and teaching careers, according to an Exxon Education Foundation announcement. A stipend of \$12,000 the first year, \$13,500 the second year, and \$15,000 the third year, as well as tuition and fees, will be given to each fellow.

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Cry wolf

Nittany Lions Curt Warner and Todd Blackledge survey the action from the sidelines at Saturday's football game against North Carolina State. The Lions emerged victorious over the Wolfpack, 22-15. Please see stories and photos, Page 11.

FTC official predicts return to policies favoring consumers

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WASHINGTON (AP) — A member and former chairman of the Federal Trade Commission predicts the government will return to pro-consumer policies as a backlash develops to the Reagan administration's "crude business sycophancy."

Michael Pertschuk, who is still an FTC member although President Reagan replaced him with James C. Miller III as chairman, said the public increasingly sees the administration "as tilting precipitously toward wealth and privilege."

"Reagan's regulators are courteous and wear blue ties, with emblems neatly ranked in rows," he said. "They are otherwise distinguished only by their chronic myopia in overlooking consumer disadvantage and abuse."

The swing back to consumer advocacy will not be immediate, Pertschuk is saying in a series of lectures, but Reagan's policies may cause enough consumer outrage that the ground will be fertile for a change.

"Reagan may succeed where Nader fell short in rekindling public outrage," he said, referring to consumer advocate Ralph Nader.

Pertschuk has generally maintained a low profile since he was replaced as FTC chairman soon after Reagan took office. He has made only a few speeches and has declined some interview requests.

That may be coming to an end with the series of lectures he is giving at the University of California at Berkeley. The lectures began last Wednesday, and the last one will be this Wednesday. Drafts of the 231 pages of lectures were made available by his office in Washington.

"As a minority commissioner, I see no dearth of opportunities for impassioned dissent," Pertschuk said.

"As we proceed into this new regulatory era," he said, "it will become increasingly difficult for business to fob off its poor economic performance, since the Reagan administration's trumpeted regulatory relief is unlikely to produce a traceable resurgence in business productivity or vigor."

The rise of the consumer movement in the 1960s and early 1970s brought legislative victories made possible by unorganized business opposition and determined consumer advocates such as Nader, Pertschuk said. Public disclosures and resulting consumer outrage led to laws designed to protect consumers from unsafe automobiles, a polluted environment and other perils.

"In those days we saw ourselves as on the side of the angels and we were largely so perceived by the media," he said.

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weather

Variable cloudiness turning windy and colder by late morning with scattered rain showers changing to snow showers. High temperatures near 47 degrees in the morning then dropping the rest of the day. Put on the woolies tonight — it will be clear and very cold with low temperatures around 23 degrees. Intervals of clouds and sunshine tomorrow with high temperatures around 42 degrees.

—by Mark Stunder

Mubarak says Egypt must rid itself of terrorism

By MAGDA EL-SANGA
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CAIRO, Egypt (AP) — President Hosni Mubarak told the nation yesterday that the assassination of Anwar Sadat was God's warning that Egypt should rid itself of religious terrorism. He said the opposition's views must not be ignored, but reminded opponents that the majority still rules.

"It was the wisdom of heaven to make that horrible crime a warning to Egypt to cleanse itself of the plague" of religious terrorism, Mubarak said of the Oct. 6 assassination of President Anwar Sadat, blamed on Moslem extremists.

The newspaper Al-Akhbar said yesterday that 70 members of underground Moslem fundamentalist groups linked to Sadat's assassination have been charged with "acts of

sabotage to overthrow the regime and possession and use of explosives."

The latest published figures say 750 people have been arrested in the wake of Sadat's assassination and that there have been ensuing clashes between fundamentalists and police in several major cities.

Al-Akhbar also said the four men who allegedly shot Sadat as he reviewed a military parade will be indicted Wednesday.

It also said that on Saturday the supreme military court started trials of "those responsible for the military unit that the first defendant Khaled el-Islambouly was part of."

The paper gave no indication of how many were being tried, but said they were charged with "not fully carrying out their duties" by allowing three outsiders to infiltrate the parade with weapons and ammunition.

Official statements have said that el-Islambouly was backed in the charge of Sadat's stand by three non-military men he had managed to place on the truck under his command during the parade.

Mubarak's statement was made in a 45-minute policy speech to the Egyptian Parliament. The address, which touched on a range of domestic issues, including the massive subsidy programs of Sadat, was nationally televised. Religious leaders and diplomats attended as special guests.

"Every citizen can be reassured that the internal front is totally secure, and the security forces have safeguarded the peace," Mubarak said.

Now, he said, the time has come to ensure domestic peace by developing the economy. He hinted at fewer subsidies.

"Our eventual goal is to create an equal society, not a society of privileges and class distinctions. Social justice is the first rule for peace and stability in society," Mubarak said.

"Egypt is for all, not for a privileged few monopolizing wealth and power, or a chosen few who lord it over the people and impose their guardianship, (Egypt is) not a society of class dictatorship. It is for all its children based on equal opportunity and equality in bearing the burdens."

He said he would not be lenient with "indiscipline or corruption" and told the Egyptian people it was "time to get to work."

"Every citizen must nurture the spirit of reciprocity, not (give himself) the right to depend and rely on what government institutions can do," he said. "We must hold onto our right to individual and group

initiative, we are citizens with equal rights and duties and not wards" of the government, he said.

A large part of Egypt's annual budget, now equivalent to about \$2.9 billion, is siphoned away on subsidies for wheat, rice, sugar and cooking oil. In 1977, a rumored price hike on basic commodities resulted in two days of rioting.

Mubarak said the question of subsidies and how to ensure that subsidized goods reached those who needed them was one of a number of problems he proposed to deal with through a national dialogue.

Mubarak, who has met with leaders of opposition parties, said yesterday he expected them to offer "studied opinions and constructive criticism" and promised to listen.