

Work for Russians Revealed by Scientist

MOSCOW (AP) — Bruno Pontecorvo, the Italian-born British atomic scientist, dissolved the five-year mystery of his whereabouts Tuesday. He disclosed that he has been working on atomic projects for the Soviet Union since 1950.

The 42-year-old scientist, has been called by official Washington the second most deadly spy in history.

He made the revelation in identical letters to the editors of Pravda and Izvestia, the Communist party and Soviet government newspapers.

He said he quit the West because the preparations there to use atomic energy for military purposes made him "ashamed of my profession."

Pontecorvo, who checked out for Moscow in September, 1950, has been credited with first rate knowledge of hydrogen bomb secrets.

In his letter he said he was enjoying "every care and attention" in the Soviet Union and was being permitted to work with "excellent" technical equipment. He described Soviet research as being "conducted on the widest

scale and on a very high technical level."

The results of this work, he said, were being prepared for publication.

He accused a former scientific associate, Nobel prize winner I. A. Rabi of Columbia University, of being a "prisoner of opinion" and asked if he still believed that Russia would never be able to produce atomic energy.

Prof. Rabi is the US representative on a UN advisory board which is preparing the world

atoms-for-peace conference in Geneva this year.

Pontecorvo also appealed to his former scientific associates in France, Britain, Italy, Canada and the United States to protest against the use of atomic energy for military purposes.

The US Joint Congressional Atomic Energy committee estimated in 1951 that Pontecorvo, along with Klaus Fuchs, German born British science worker who was convicted of spying, "advanced the Soviet atomic energy program" at least 18 months beyond where it otherwise would have been.

Fuchs took part in British and American work on the first atomic bomb and the committee said he "possessed the insight" into the development of the later hydrogen bomb.

The committee said Pontecorvo's tasks, prior to his disappearance, "included work upon tritium, a substance intimately related to the hydrogen bomb." Tritium is one of the two forms of heavy hydrogen which can be used in a hydrogen bomb.

Before working at Britain's Harwell laboratories, Pontecorvo had been engaged in secret work on Canadian atomic projects and during World War II visited American atomic plants.

Senate Passes New Dorm Bill

The Oregon legislature Monday approved legislation to build dormitories at the state university and colleges and to remove resident requirements for members of the state board of higher education.

The House sent to the Senate a bill to raise the \$8,000,000 limit on higher education bonds to \$13,884,000. The bonds are self-liquidating and are paid off by dormitory fees.

The Senate also sent to the House a bill that would permit the nine members of the state board of higher education to be residents of Eugene, Corvallis, Monmouth, La Grande, and Ashland. Under the existing law, residents of those cities where institutions of higher learning are located cannot serve on the board.

The present law also allows one alumnus of each school to serve on the board. The new bill would raise the number to two.

The Senate education committee also introduced a bill to require that all school boards have five members.

Petitions Due Friday For Sunrise Service

Petitions for the Easter Sunrise service chairmen are due Friday noon at the YMCA office. This service is sponsored by the University Religious Council.

Religious Evaluation Week chairmen petitions are due March 11 at the YMCA. These petitions are for the chairmanship next year.

Ticket for Two Given to Winner

A ticket for two to the Junior Prom will be awarded to the person who submits the winning theme for Junior Weekend, Junior Class President Bud Hinkson has announced.

The theme suggestions are to be submitted by 5 p.m. today. They may be turned in at the Junior Weekend headquarters, Student Union 303.

Themes must be usable for all of the events of Junior Weekend, including the terrace dance, junior prom, all-campus sing and all-campus luncheon.

Selection of the weekend theme will be made by Hinkson and the junior class officers: Gordon Rice, vice-president, and Don Bonime and Mary Sweeney, representatives.

Winning themes in recent years include "Faraway Places," 1951; "Childhood Memories," 1952; "Holiday," 1953, and "College Capers," 1954.

Duck Preview Petitions Duck Turned In by Friday

Duck Preview positions as coordinators, sub-committee chairmen and committee members are now available through petitions, according to Bob Porter and Lucia Knepper, co-chairmen of the Duck Preview weekend.

The petitions are due Friday at 4 p.m. ASUO petitions are to be used and should be turned in on the third floor of the Student Union.

Four people are wanted as coordinators of hospitality, housing promotion and program. The position of general secretary for the entire event is also open.

Under these four areas peti-

tions may be submitted for both sub-committee chairman and committee memberships.

Hospitality includes the committees of registration, transportation and programs.

Committees on promotion will be invitations, publicity and campus promotion. Housing committees will include men's and women's housing.

Under program are the committees of vodvil, exhibits, tours, exchange dinners, dance and vodvil entertainment.

Duck Preview has been scheduled for April 23 and 24 this year.

Women Select AWS Officers

Women voters will elect one of three juniors president of the Associated Women Students to-

day. Jane Bergstrom, Janet Gustafson and Sally Ryan are competing for the top women's post. Runner-up will be declared vice-president.

Balloting will be from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. in the Student Union lobby. The preferential system of voting will be used to assure one of the candidates a majority of the votes cast. Each voter must present her student body card.

All three candidates are members of Phi Theta Upsilon, junior women's service honorary.

Miss Bergstrom, junior in art, is Phi Theta secretary and co-secretary of the University Co-op board. She is also a member of the Student Union personnel board. She was recently named co-chairman for this year's Junior weekend all-campus sing.

Miss Gustafson, a junior in speech correction, is president of the Red Cross board and a member of the rally board. She was Kwama president last year and her class representative on the ASUO senate.

Associate editor of the Emerald, Miss Ryan is a journalism major. She served on the AWS cabinet this past year as intercollegiate AWS representative, is a Carson hall counsellor and member of the Student Union board.



JANE BERGSTROM
Phi Theta Secretary



JANET GUSTAFSON
Red Cross Board Member



SALLY RYAN
Journalism Major

University Theater Comedy Opens Run

"The Contrast," the first early American comedy, will begin its run at the University theater this Friday. This play is the University theater's offering to the Festival of Arts program whose theme is "The American Heritage."

"The Contrast" is as popular in 1955 as it was in 1785 when Royall Tyler wrote it. The appeal of the play has caused it to be repeated again and again since its first production. The 1790 edition was dedicated to George Washington.

A new stage curtain has been especially designed for "Contrast" to give an early American atmosphere to the stage.

The construction of the settings for "The Contrast" has amounted to a remodeling job in the stage area. Most of the play will take place on a stage built out over the orchestra pit and literally "in the laps of the patrons in the front row."

Tickets are on sale at the theater box office now.

WUS Projects Told by West

World University Service projects for the remainder of the school year have been announced by Gail West, general chairman.

The house solicitation drive began Monday and will continue through Friday. The men's and women's houses which contribute the most in this drive will be announced at the vaudeville show during Duck Preview weekend.

WUS has planned firesides featuring foreign students now attending the University as speakers. They will be held at various living organizations early in April.

An all-campus auction is being planned for April 22. This will be held on the Student Union terrace. Important people on campus will be auctioned off and required to serve dinner to the highest bidding house.

The last event of the year planned is the vaudeville show and carnival to be held April 23. It will be made up of skits entered by various campus living organizations. The carnival will be held after the vaudeville show. Booths will be handled by foreign students who will be selling articles from their own countries.

Proceeds from all these projects will go to help students in other countries.

Miss West has also announced several committee chairmen. They are: publicity, Donna Runberg; speakers, Alice Kihn; solicitations, Jean Sandine and Kathy Holloway; faculty solicitations, Glenna Pearl; auction, Martin Brandenfels; promotion, Gordon Ross; firesides, Evie Diamond and Luella Adams, and carnival Marlene Grassechi and Margi Harman.

Canadian Poet to Give Assembly Talk Today

Earle Birney, well-known Canadian poet, will deliver today's University assembly lecture at 1 p. m. in the Student Union ballroom. He will speak on the topic, "Canadian Poetry Today — Neglected Stepchild."

Birney has had several volumes of poetry published, of which the best-known is "Trial of a City." The author has also published a novel entitled, "Turvey." His work is noted for its humorous qualities and its description of the Northwest and outdoor life.

At the present time, the poet is a professor of English at the University of British Columbia. He also writes radio and television plays and speeches for the Canadian Broadcasting corporation.

Birney, now 51, was born in Calgary, Alberta. He received his B.A. from British Columbia. He also holds a M.A. and a Ph.D. from

Toronto University. He was at one time editor of the book, "Twentieth Century American Poetry."

The Canadian has been the recipient of several writing awards, the most recent being the Royal Society of Canada medal for poetry. His first honor was the Stephen Leacock award for humor in 1953. In both 1942 and 1945, he received the Governor General's medal for poetry.

Birney was also awarded first prize in the International poetry awards in 1951 and a Canadian government overseas fellowship in 1953.

The speaker will be on the campus through arrangement made under the Northwest College Lectures and Concerts association.

A coffee hour forum will be held for Birney today at 4 p. m. in the Dad's lounge of the SU.