

OSC Professors Tell of Firings

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for his chemistry research and teaching, and that LaVallee's classes in economics were both popular with students, and apparently satisfactory to the administration. Spitzer said that President Strand offered "in evidence" a letter Spitzer had written to a professional magazine as a private citizen, which urged chemists to read the genetics theory of the Russian scientist, T. Lysenko, before dismissing it as mere Marxist dialectics. Spitzer said that his letter was in reply to an editorial in the magazine, and that there was nothing in his letter to identify him with the college.

Faculty 'Terrorized'

3. That the firings have "terrorized" the faculty. Spitzer said that after the publicity broke, a political science professor called off a scheduled panel discussion of "isms" as "too hot," and that a scheduled showing of a film on

Russia was cancelled without explanation.

4. That when the two appealed to the faculty council, the appeal was "railroaded" without discussion.

5. That the state Board of Higher Education merely "rubber stamped" President Strand's action, without giving the professors a hearing.

6. That the action violates a state law which says that teachers are not to be tested for political or religious beliefs.

OSC in 'Witch-hunt'

LaVallee, in his portion of the after dinner speech, declared that the firings at Oregon State were part of a nationwide witch-hunt which started immediately after World War II with radio commentators, and has proceeded to pure unorthodox political belief among the motion picture industry, government workers, and now college professors.

LaVallee said that the firings at the University of Washington, Olivet College, and OSC, of liberal professors, might be explained by the fact that colleges need money, "and to get it, they have to keep friendly the people who control money."

He charged that colleges will destroy professional inquiry if they require teachers to pass political orthodoxy tests. "We can follow the path of truth so long as it does not lead away from the Marshall Plan," he said.

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Progressives Denounces Pact

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and that estimates which include those not covered by unemployment compensation indicate that as many as 150,000 are out of work in Oregon.

"Instead of a progressive program of legislation to provide job security and housing," Moore charged "the federal government apparently intends to support the nation's economy by armament."

On the local level, the delegates reported that the Progressives made the only organized opposition in Portland to fare increases on the city transit system, and that they were working with church and other groups for a Portland ordinance which would make it unlawful for any public eating or lodging place to refuse service for reason of race, creed, or color.

To Investigate Firings

The party also reported that it is cooperating with a newly formed state committee on academic freedom to investigate cases of educators dismissed for political reasons.

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Protest Treaty

In closing minutes of the afternoon session, the delegates moved to memorialize Congress in protest against the North Atlantic Military Alliance, and to organize a committee on unemployment with a mission of investigating delay in servicing compensation claims.

The delegates also gave qualified approval of what they termed "a watered down" Fair Employment Practices Law passed last week in Salem.



If you have, among the war trophies in your home, any "unloaded" weapons, souvenir shells or other munitions, you'd be smart to get in touch with the Army or Navy—quick. Fred Kennel recently bought a house in Washington, D. C. In it, he found two bazooka rockets, left behind by the previous tenant. He asked the Navy Disposal Unit to look them over. Lt. Wilbur Brooks, left, and Lt. Charles J. Dorigan did. They found the rockets were deadly weapons, fully armed with the safety pins dislodged. They said the rockets would have exploded if dropped from three or four feet.

Seeded Stars Face Net Action Monday

NEW YORK, March 21.—(U.P.)—Richard "Pancho" Gonzales of Los Angeles, top-seeded in men's singles, and lovely Gertrude Moran of Santa Monica, Cal., first-ranked in women's singles, each was slated for action Monday as the National Indoor Tennis Championships resumed at Seventh Regiment Armory.

On tap were third-round men's matches and second-round women's matches. In each case, the winners will advance to the quarter-finals.

Gonzales, the 20-year-old Mexican-American who is determined to prove that his win in the national outdoor singles was no "fluke," was pitted against Dr. Reginald Weir, one of the nation's outstanding Negro players.

Weir last year became the first member of his race to compete in the nationals. This year he advanced to the third round with an 8-6, 4-6, 6-2 win over Gil Bogley of Princeton, national junior and interscholastic champion.

Paul Revere Rides Again

PHILADELPHIA — (AP) — Dice are sometimes referred to as "galloping dominoes," but Detective Nicholas Laurelli says a crap game lookout on horseback is carrying things too far.

Laurelli and other detectives converged on a small shack in South Philadelphia Sunday in search of a reported dice game.

As the detectives neared the shack, a man on horseback shouted a warning and galloped off across vacant lots.

The warning was to little avail, however. In the shack the detectives arrested eight men and seized about \$1000 cash.

Gonzales moved up with a 6-2, 6-2, routine win over Bill Lurie of New York.

Miss Moran, who is ranked fourth in the nation, will face Helen Garmaine of New York in the women's bracket.

Michigan is called the Wolverine State because the animal once abounded in its forests.

Cal Town Invites Truman-Strand

FALLENBROOK, Cal. — President Harry Truman and Vice President Alben W. Barkley are invited to the town here.

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Backing Pledged For Service Unity

WASHINGTON — (U.P.) — Gen. Omar N. Bradley, Army chief of staff, Monday pledged the Army's support for "a speedy, effective unity among the armed forces."

He also said in a statement in connection with Army Day, April 8, that "as part of the defense team, we must give the citizens of the United States a full dollar's spent."

In all the Army plans, he said, "we are pledged to a constant observance, in the true democratic tradition, of the right and dignity of the individual."

Taylor Has 'Open Mind' On North Atlantic Pact

WASHINGTON — (U.P.) — Sen. Glen H. Taylor, (D-Ida.), said Monday he has an "open mind" on the North Atlantic Defense Pact.

"I don't look with great favor on it," the former Progressive Party vice-presidential nominee said. "But I have an open mind and I'll wait for the debate in the Senate and the country before making up my mind."

His 1948 running-mate, Henry A. Wallace, already had denounced the pact as a "willful, deliberate and complete violation" of the U. S. pledge to uphold the United Nations.

Ah, Youth . . .

SALEM — (U.P.) — The House passed and sent to the Senate Monday a bill to let children under 18 years old fish in Mill Creek in Marion County.

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Family Buries Muggins After He Saved Them

PORTLAND — (U.P.) — The David Prentice family gathered Monday in the yard back of their charred residence and dug a grave for a black cocker spaniel puppy named Muggins.

Muggins perished early Sunday after arousing Prentice by frantic barking when smoke filled the closed-in porch where the puppy slept. Prentice led his wife and carried his infant son to safety.

The fire prevented rescue of the dog and gutted the recently built home.

LONDON BANS PARADES

LONDON — (U.P.) — The government Monday banned all political processions in London for three months as result of Communist attacks on a fascist parade Sunday night.

Electric eels have poor eyesight, possibly due to the effect of their own shocks, or those of neighboring eels.

TWIN WIN

LEWISTON, March 21.—(U.P.)—The Washington State College baseball team scored 13-0 and 3-2 victories over the Northern Idaho College of Education in a weekend practice doubleheader.

GROUP OKAYS CHOICE

WASHINGTON — (U.P.) — The Senate Interior Committee Monday approved the nomination of Dr. John R. Nichols, president of New Mexico A. and M. College, to be commissioner of Indian Affairs.

Yale U. Head Will Fire Reds

DALLAS, Tex., — (U.P.) — Dr. Char. University, Sunday night said he would fire any member of his faculty who was a communist.

"As far as I know, none of our present faculty is Communist. But if I should find that one of them was a Communist, I should certainly request his resignation," he said.

Dr. Seymour was speaking before the Dallas Yale Alumni.

"I do not believe a Communist is allowed freedom of opinion and conscience. I want my professors to be free-thinking," he added.

Exhibition Baseball

Continental (N) 6, New York (A) 2, Philadelphia (A) 6, Brooklyn (N) 0, New York (N) 7, Chicago (N) 0, Washington (A) 6, Boston (A) 1, St. Louis (N) 6, Boston (N) 2, Detroit (A) 6, Philadelphia (N) 4, Pittsburgh (N) 6, San Fran. (PCL) 4, St. Louis (A) 10, Oakland (PCL) 4, Hollywood (PCL) 3, St. Louis (A) 3, Sacramento (N) 1, Pittsburgh (N) 8, Chicago (N) 3, Cleveland (A) 2, Cleveland (A) 3, Portland (PCL) 2.

CAMP FIRE ADVISOR TOLD

NEW YORK — (U.P.) — The Camp Fire Girls Incorporated disclosed Monday Miss Anne C. Armstrong has been appointed regional field advisor for the states of Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Montana.

The French Revolution attempted to substitute the "decade"—10-day periods—for the 7-day week. The attempt lasted only a few years.

Hockey at a Glance

National League
Detroit 2, Montreal 1, New York 3, Chicago 1, Boston 1, Toronto 2, Pacific Coast League
San Diego 4, Oakland 2, New Westminster 6, Portland 2, Saturday's Results
National League
Montreal 5, Chicago 1, Detroit 3, Toronto 2, Pacific Coast League
Los Angeles 2, Fresno 1, New Westminster 4, Portland 2, Tacoma 4, Vancouver 0.

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