## McLane to Speak at Commencement **Exercises**

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Spring Commencement ceremonies will be held on Sunday, June 11 at 2:00 p.m. for 412 graduating seniors in the Hershey Community Theatre, located at the Community Center Building at E. Caracus and Cocoa Ave. in Hershey.

The commencement speaker will be the Honorable William J. McLane, Member, House of Representatives. Mr. McLane serves on the Education and Insurance Committees, and is Chairman of the Health and Welfare Committee's Subcommittee on Youth and Aging.

The number of degrees being conferred in the indiv- of Math and Statistics. idual departments breaks down as follows: Business, 166; Elementary Education, 12: Humanities, 13; Mathematical Sciences, 5; Social Sciences, 62; Building Construction Tech-

nology, 30; Electrical Design Engineering Technology, 55; Mechanical Design Engineering Technology, 42; Transportion Technolgy, 6; and Water Resources Technology, 21.

The ricipient of the James Jordan Award will be announced at commencement. The nominees are: Gerald M. Brey, Associate Professor of Engineering; Phillip G. Buchanan, Assistant Professor of Accounting; Clemmie E. Gilpin, Instructor of Afro-American Studies; Robert C. Posatko, Assistant Professor of Economics; Charles D. Pringle. Assistant Professor of Management; and Winston A. Richards, Associate Professor

The James Jordan Award is given annually by the student body to the faculty member who demonstrates effective teaching, enthusiasm and sincere interest in the students.

## **Economic Damage Minimal**

UNIVERSITY PARK, PA--Pennsylvania survived the extremely bad winter and the coal strike with minimal economic damage.

First quater figures, now available, confirm earlier indications to this effect, reports Alice E. Warne, editor of Pennsylvania Business Survey at The Pennsylvania State University.

Manufacturing activities from November through March turned out to be very steady. The average factory workweek for all industries was longer in March than in November and in March the job level for this sector was relatively higher than it had been in any month since last July.

In spite of conservation measures, the use of electricity for industrial output dropped only 2 per cent between the two months. This suggests not so much a lack of cooperation in conserving electricity by factories and utilities as an effort to keep people at work. effectiveness of the electrical companies in "making do", and the results of effective cost-

cutting efforts during the past few years since energy became expensive--leaving not much margin for reduction if operations were to continue.

Miss Warne points out that several types of Pennsylvania industries other than manufacturing held their job levels also. In services, seasonal shifts predominated from December through February, after which strong gains brought the level of this industry group to a new all time high. In wholesale trade, and in state and local government, the respective job levels rose throughout the first quater.

Confirming this rather widespread job steadiness was a drop of 11 per cent between November and March in the number of new claims for unemployment benefits, beyond ordinary month-to-month seasonal changes. New claims generally signal recent layoffs. Total employment in Pennsylvania was recently 2 per cent higher in March than in November and unemployment 5 per cent lower. The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate dropped from 7.5 to 7.0 per cent.

Conditions in March t1.s year in most cases are better than a year ago. Factory output is higher; factory payrolls are larger; more jobs are being supplied in Pennsylvania companies; the factory workweek is longer; and there is more employment and less unemployment among Pennsylvania residents.

There are some exemptions, Miss Warne reports in the Survey, which is published by the College of Business Administration. The dollar volume of contracts awarded

for construction is smaller this year, although it is rising. Consumption of electricity at industrial rates is down about 3 per cent. Production by Pennsylvania steel mills was down a bit, although it too is

Daily production of Pennsylvania steel mills in March was the largest of any single month since June. Although the March output represented an annual rate of only 27 million tons, it was the best in several months. Early weekly reports for April suggest continued pickup later this spring.

Backing up Pennsylvania's performance is increased activity at the national level. Employment gained, industrial output climbed by the biggest percentage in a year, and output increased over a wide range of products. Retail sales rose strongly, spurred by an early Easter. Although auto sales got off to a slow start. they picked up in mid-month and continued strong in April.

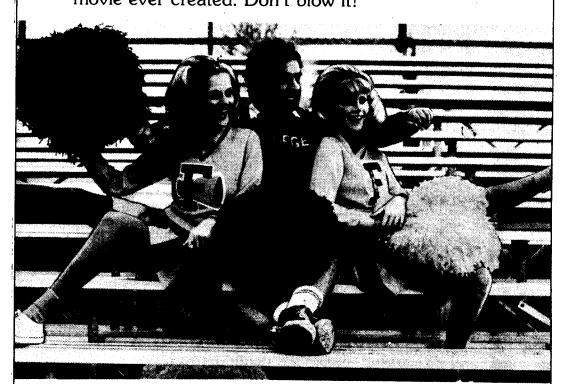
Personal income gained strongly, housing starts and residential building permits rose smartly. Retail inventories were small enough to permit considerably more stocking.

Darkening the brightness was the cloud of inflation. The consumer's price index shot up at the annual rate of 9.6 per cent in March. For the first quarter, inflation rose 9.3 per cent. By April, prices of raw materials and industrial components were rising fast, under pressure from increased energy, labor, transportation, and other costs.

All in all, says Miss Warne, national activity should continue to pick up in the coming months and so should activity in Pennsylvania.

## Delta Law requires you to read this message before you leave town.

O.K., this is goodbye! Go out and get drunk! Live it up! Have fun! The summer is yours! But some time this summer, like around August 4th, you'd better be ready to see the funniest college movie ever created. Don't blow it!



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## 4777 to Recieve Penn State Degrees

UNIVERSITY PARK, PA--With more than 4,777 graduates scheduled to receive degrees at the University Park Campus of The Pennsylvania State University on Saturday, May 27, five commencement exercises will be held. Three are scheduled for 10:30 a.m. and two for 1:30 p.m.

The multiple programs, which will provide adequate seating for all guests, are a necessity because Beaver Stadium, were the Spring Term exercises traditionally are held, is not available. Construction to enlarge the capacity of the Stadium is in progress.

In addition to the 4,779 candidates for degrees at University Park, there are 1,743 graduates at other campuses across the state, bringing to 6,552 the total number scheduled to receive degrees at the close of the term. There are 4,814 candidates for the baccalaureate degree, 1,178 to recieve an associate degree for completion

of two-year programs, and 535 listed for advanced degrees.

Because of the multiple programs, there will be no visiting speaker, as has been the custom for the Spring Term exercises. William K. Ulerich. of Clearfeild, as president of the Board of Trustees, will join Dr. John W. Oswald, president of the University, in conferring the degrees at the exercises at 10:30 a.m. in the Recreation Bldg.

Exercises scheduled are 10:30 a.m. in Recreation Bldg., Colleges of Business Administration; Education; and Human Development; in the Milton S. Eisenhower Auditorium, Agriculture, Arts and Architecture, and Earth and Mineral Sciences; and in the Hetzel Union Bldg., Graduate School. Scheduled for 1:30 p.m. in Recreation Bldg. are Colleges of Engineering, Science, and Health, Physical Education and Recreation; and in Milton S. Eisenhower Auditorium, the Liberal Arts.