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89% Of Students Want S. U. Building, Survey Here Reveals SENATE REQUESTED TO REOPEN VACATION QUESTION

89% Uphold Fee Plan To Pay Upkeep

Dancing Ranks First In Activity List; Bowling Next

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Eighty-nine percent of Penn State students are desirous of a Student Union building here, it was revealed yesterday from a recent cross-section survey taken of 800 students.

The survey was broken down into fraternity and non-fraternity men, with fraternity men voting 84 percent in favor of such a building and non-fraternity men hitting above 92 percent.

Questionnaires were distributed in a number of classrooms and filled out in almost equal proportions by freshmen, sophomores, juniors and seniors.

Three specific questions were asked, while a fourth contained a list of recreational activities which the student was asked to number according to choice.

Eighty-four percent of all students contacted agreed to the building of a small fee per semester for access to all the recreational facilities which would be housed in this type of building.

Questioned as to whether graduate students should have a lounge in this building, 84 percent were in favor of it.

Hasek Shows Pessimism On U.S. Spending

"This business of getting rich by spending money and going into debt is cockeyed."

This was the statement made to a Collegian reporter by Dr. Carl W. Hasek, head of the economics department and well-known authority on finances. Dr. Hasek was asked to comment on the latest governmental spending program which was released by President Roosevelt January 5. The present administration in Washington is seeking Congressional approval of a plan to raise the present public debt limit from \$45,000,000,000 to \$50,000,000,000. The purpose of this plan is to fix the national debt at the same figure as the same figure as the potential national income, which would be \$50,000,000,000.

"I am very pessimistic," said Dr. Hasek, "about the administration's effort to obtain an \$80,000,000,000 national income. Our national income in the past two years has been approximately \$65,000,000,000 and \$69,000,000,000 respectively. A potential \$80,000,000,000 is not impossible, but highly improbable."

Dr. Hasek continued his comment by discussing the "heavy" industries.

"The heavy industries are not prospering," Dr. Hasek declared, "because they are not investing sufficient funds. As long as they (the heavy industries) are not investing, we are not going to have prosperity!"

Anderson To Go To Hawaii

Dr. Clarence S. Anderson, professor of agricultural education, will teach at the University of Hawaii during the first semester of 1938-1939. His place here will be taken by Professor F. E. Armstrong of the University of Hawaii.

Peel Names Senior Ball Committee

Boal, Welsh Picked As Co-Chairmen

Thomas A. Boal and Charles S. Welsh have been named co-chairmen of the Senior Ball committee by Joseph A. Peel, senior class president.

Other committee members are Florence V. Watkins, ex-officio, Harold R. Arnold, Leonard R. Apfelbaum, Archie F. Brown, Donald N. Richards, Fred B. Spyker, Henry W. Sulzer and John C. Wray.

Senior Ball will be held February 24. At a meeting of the committee Sunday, plans were made to begin negotiations immediately with New York agencies for contracting the best dance orchestra available for that date.

Pump-Priming Is Subject Of Debate Forum

Penn State To Take Negative Side Against Bucknell At 8 P. M. Tomorrow

A parliamentary session concerning "Pump-Priming—Should It Be Continued?" will bring together the College varsity debate team with Bucknell University's representatives in Home Economics Auditorium at 8 p. m. tomorrow.

Edward G. Couch '41 and Raymond T. Fishburne '39 will represent Penn State and argue against the continuation of the government policy of spending. Their Bucknell opponents will assume the affirmative side in eight-minute speeches, and the question will then be open to discussion among the audience.

A similar debate forum was held with St. Francis College in Bellefonte High School last Thursday with Arthur D. Gatz '39 and Harvey Levin '39 debating in favor of pump-priming. An audience vote following the discussion favored the State part by a small margin.

Tomorrow night's meeting will be conducted along parliamentary lines with a chairman presiding. The opinion of the audience on the question will be revealed in a vote following the forum.

Tests Reveal '42 Class Will Make Best Grades

Statistics indicate that the Class of 1942 will make better grades in college than any since 1937 and possibly earlier, but college staff members can't explain the improvement.

Tests given to 1050 freshmen last Freshman Week by the department of education and psychology showed the present class has an average of 108.5, which is 7.3 points higher than that made by the 1941 class and 3.2 points more than the previous high of 105.7 scored by the Class of 1940 Lower Division and Mineral Industries students were not examined.

Scores previous to that for the 1938, 97.1; and 1937, 99.8. Earlier scores were not revealed but Dr. J. E. DeCamp, when he announced the results to the Collegian this week, expressed the opinion that the 1942 score was probably the highest for an even greater time.

Only minor modernizing changes have been made in the test from year to year, Dr. DeCamp said, and this could not account for the improvement. The test, he told, is designed to predict the grades a student will make in college.

It examines preparation and knowledge as well as intelligence. Registrar William Hoffman expressed the opinion that the present freshman class is no better than last year's, which scored considerably lower. Students from the

Nittany Soccer Team Awarded Eastern Intercollegiate Diadem

Jeffrey men Hold Crown Alone For First Time Since '29; Tied In '36, '37

Special to the Collegian
NEW YORK, Jan. 16.—For the first time since 1929, Penn State's six-year undefeated soccer squad was awarded undisputed possession of the Eastern Intercollegiate crown by representatives of 36 Eastern colleges and universities who met at the Yale Club here Saturday.

The Nittany men, who swept through eight games this season without being tied, have played 45 games without defeat since 1932, and have been tied but four times since then.

Springfield and Haverford, although defeated this past season, were outstanding contenders for the crown and offered the Penn State soccer men dangerous competition.

Have Shared Honors Often
A championship Penn State team was, in 1926, awarded a tie with Princeton and Haverford for the Conference cup; in 1929 the Jeffrey men gained undisputed claim to the trophy; in 1933 they were given a tie with Penn, in 1935 an undefeated, untied, and unscored upon Nittany squad failed to gain the title while Yale, undefeated but scored upon, rose to claim the crown. The decision of the Conference was based on the fact that Yale had played 4 more games than Penn State.

256 Candidates For Graduation

Seek Doctors' Degrees At Commencement February Seniors Total 143

Of a total of 256 candidates for degrees at mid-year commencement to be held February 3, eight seek doctorates, Registrar William S. Hoffman announced yesterday.

Candidates for bachelor's degrees number 148, with the graduates for Bachelor of Science degrees for graduate work.

Of the 143 undergraduates, 70 seek the Bachelor of Arts degree, 56 in Liberal Arts and 14 in Education. The other 73 are candidates for Bachelor of Science degrees.

The lists are not final, the Registrar explained, and actual graduation in many cases depends on the outcome of final examinations. Commencement details will probably be announced by next week.

\$200 In Scholarships

Mortar Board has awarded \$50 scholarships to Gladys Z. Duppstadt '39, Ida J. Peebles '39, Marjorie E. Goodley '40, and Martha B. Jayne '40 from its Spinster Skip profits.

Lassies Say: 'If Papa Pays' The Only Way

"Make Papa pay," was the answer to queries as to how empty-pocketed coeds may obtain Artists' Course tickets, according to a recent survey completed by Mrs. Neva, Morris, housemother of Grange, to find why more coeds weren't attending the course.

"Artists' Course tickets unbalance the budget," moaned most would-be culture-seekers, "besides, they're sold right after Penn week-end and just before Pitt week-end."

"If the Artists' Course Publicity Committee sent notices of the course home to parents maybe a check would be forthcoming."

Dieterich Honored

For the second time, Dr. Charles D. Dieterich, assistant college physician, has been elected president of the Centre County Medical Society.

Students Approve Defense Of Western Hemisphere

AUSTIN, Tex., Jan. 16.—Last week, President Roosevelt in his message to Congress asked for armed forces strong enough to aid in the defense of the entire Western Hemisphere. American college youth, the coming generation that may have to fight in another world war, approves of the policy by a good majority.

Students of all classes and in all sections of the United States in a carefully selected cross-section have been interviewed by representatives of the Student Opinion Surveys of America. This non-

College May Legally Act On Housing

3 Obstacles Preventing Room Inspection

The College Administration would have legal authority to adopt a regulation telling students where to live and where not to live in State College.

This was pointed out yesterday by Dean of Men Arthur R. Warnock in an interview with the Collegian on the housing situation at State College.

Dean Warnock listed three obstacles which would be encountered if the College undertook inspection of rooming houses and the setting up of an approved list of rooming houses for students.

They are:

- 1—The College now has no legal authority to inspect a rooming house without the permission of the householder. The College, however, could sponsor such an inspection through the State College Board of Health, legally empowered to do so.
- 2—The College at present has no regulation under which it could say where a student could or could not live. The College would have legal authority to adopt such a regulation.
- 3—There would be need of competent instructors who could make investigations into the rooming situation at regular intervals.

Dean Warnock expressed the belief that "rents in the lower brackets" would rise because of the householder's expense in meeting the requirements set up by inspectors.

"No immediate possibility for lowering rents" was foreseen by the Dean.

Action On Housing Urged By Teachers

Calling on the borough authorities and the College administration to safeguard the health and safety of students, the Executive Committee of the local chapter of the American Federation of Teachers, in a prepared statement to the Collegian yesterday, endorsed united action to alleviate the housing problem in State College.

"We feel," the committee explained, "that the Borough and especially the College should make every reasonable effort to see that rooming quarters offered to students are adequate from the standpoint of sanitation, fire hazards, heat, light and air."

The group cited that an "urgent necessity" for satisfactory health and sanitary conditions existed especially in view of the fact that no additional dormitories are in immediate prospect.

"The Collegian housing survey," the statement continued, "unambiguously reveals the inadequacy of such housing facilities. While the College has a special interest in this problem, the jurisdictional responsibility for safeguarding the health and safety of students living within its limits necessarily devolves on the Borough authorities."

"We very much hope that the response to this issue will foster a precedent of College and Borough cooperation which our growing community so urgently needs."

Dr. Myers Elected To National Society

Dr. William M. Myers, assistant professor in the School of Mineral Industries, was elected a fellow in the Mineralogical Society of America at its meeting in New York recently.

Only Smooth Man Rates As Class 'A' Date

Are you a "Class A" date? Before you answer, dash over to the periodical room in the library and ask for "The Rating and Dating Complex," by Willard Waller, sociology professor who studied the dating situation here.

Board, Council Seek Right To Give Views On Mid-Year Recess

If Student Democracy Is To Exist Here, College Must Give Us A Voice, Says Letter To Senate

A request that the question of the mid-year vacation be re-opened to permit the student-body to present its view on the matter was presented to members of the College Senate and the Calendar Committee yesterday.

The request was ordered drawn up and mailed to every member of the Senate and Calendar Committee Friday night by unanimous vote of Student Board and Student Council, the two highest legislative bodies of Men's Student Government Association.

Addressed to the Secretary of the Senate and chairman of the Calendar Committee, the letter follows:

"At the request of the Collegian Senate and the Calendar Committee, Student Board appointed a special committee consisting of Raymond S. Coskey, Peter Seder and Walter A. Jones to present to those bodies student recommendations pertaining to the College Calendar."

The recommendations of this committee, fully authorized to speak for the student body as a whole were as follows:

- 1—A mid-year vacation.
- 2—Extension of the close of the annual Thanksgiving vacation from Monday 8 a. m. to noon Monday.
- 3—Beginning of the annual football holiday at Friday noon instead of Saturday morning.

"As we understand it, all of these proposals were rejected. "Because we feel that the case of the student body has not been fully presented and because student opinion demands us to take this action."

"Therefore, we, the Student Board and the Student Council, as representatives of the men's student body authorized by the Constitution of the Men's Student Government Association, do hereby respectfully request that the College Senate and the Calendar Committee reopen this question and that, in all fairness, student representatives be permitted to present the views of the student body before the Senate and the Committee."

"It is the unanimous belief of Student Board and Student Council that if student democracy is to exist here, the students should have the right to voice their views before the Senate on all questions directly affecting the student body."

Five points which Col Emery and his staff are attempting to put into effect are:

- 1—Reduction of the price of the textbook used in the basic ROTC course Col Emery hopes that a book can be furnished new, with paper covers, for as little as \$1.50.
- 2—Now in effect, a new ruling that high shoes no longer will be required for the basic ROTC course. From now on, students enrolled in the basic course will be permitted to wear any kind of brown shoes.
- 3—Athletes will be permitted to enroll in the advanced course during their junior and senior years.
- 4—An attempt will be made to double enrollment in the advanced courses in military training. It is the hope of Col Emery to have at least 200 advanced course cadets studying every year, beginning next fall.
- 5—A move will be made to increase the teaching staff in the department of military science and tactics and at the same time reduce the size of classes.

By obtaining two or three more officers detailed to the department, Col Emery hopes to have classes in the basic course average 40 men each.

Col Emery expressed the belief that "rents in the lower brackets" would rise because of the householder's expense in meeting the requirements set up by inspectors.

Related to the rearmament problem, one that will have direct effect upon college men is the new program to train civilian aviators in American colleges and universities. The Student Opinion Surveys is now conducting a coast-to-coast poll on this question.

In order to be in "Class A," girls must place emphasis on good clothes, a "smooth line," ability to dance, and popularity as a date. This last is most important, since she has a descending cycle of popularity, like a taxi-dancer.



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