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## 73% OF STUDENTS FAVOR COMBINING GOVERNMENTS

### Student Housing Board Established As Five Groups Coordinate Efforts

#### Body To Act As Central Organ Of Action

Moving to establish a liaison between students, townspeople and administration with regard to the housing crisis in State College and to institute a centralized organ for student housing action, five campus organizations unanimously approved the establishment of a Student Housing Board at a special two-hour session at the Christian Association office Wednesday afternoon.

The proposal was made by Emanuel Roth '40, representing the Collegian and adopted by representatives of the American Student Union, Frieda Moskalik and Ann Cogan '42; Doris Blakemore '39, Women's Student Government Association; Robert Smith '39, president of the Penn State Club, Donald McLanahan '41, vice-president of the Student Cooperative Association, and Martin Rockwell '40, Christian Association.

Townspeople Represented  
Also included in the Housing Board are representatives of the townspeople, the group called together by Rockwell, decided McLanahan forwarded the successful cooperative movement here as a factor to be taken into consideration for the alleviation of the situation and pointed to the "exceedingly low cost" of room and board in the co-op houses. He explained that the ultimate goal of the Cooperative Association is to establish a league of such houses in State College.

Smith insisted that the College should make every reasonable effort to complete the men's dormitory.

triangle, a completion which would serve as a basis for the concentration of all non-fraternity men in the dorms. Raising the possibility of the Administration encouraging private capital to build rooming houses here, Smith condemned as "unreasonable" the antagonistic attitude of townspeople toward students.

Blakemore explained that no housing problem for women existed since the five women's dorms in town were "very satisfactory." Joining with Cogan, she stated that the women of the College would willingly pool their efforts.

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### Informal Rushing Will Begin Sunday

#### Women's Sororities To Hold Open House For '42 Girls Today And Tomorrow

Open houses in sorority homes from 3 to 5 p. m. today and tomorrow will be the only association between sorority women and rushes until Sunday noon, when informal rushing begins.

Freshmen are not to expect personal invitations to these parties, open to all interested women students. Visits to a house are not to exceed 30 minutes.

Free association among the women will open Sunday noon. Sororities must take invitations for their Sunday and Monday parties to Atherton Hall, Gange, and Women's Building between 11 a. m. and 12 noon Sunday, to be placed in mail boxes between 12 and 12.30. Invitations for town women will be delivered from Women's Building by Pan-Hellenic.

Embarrassment Spared  
Invitations for the remainder of the week may be taken to the dormitories between 11 a. m. and 12 noon Monday. This is planned to eliminate the embarrassment of several different fraternity women seeking the same girl at one time.

Freshmen are advised to answer invitations to sorority parties on the day preceding the party. In this way they will have received all of their invitations and can select the parties they wish most to attend.

Sororities are confined to an evening account of \$20 during rushing season, to include every except formal dinners, for which each house is allowed to spend \$30.

### Pan-Hel Lays Confab Plans

Doty, Chambers to Represent Group in Washington February 24-26

Plans for the Pan-Hellenic district conference to be held in Washington, D. C., February 24, 25 and 26 were discussed at a meeting in 418 Old Main at 6.30 p. m. Wednesday.

Vivian S. Doty '39, president, and Juanita M. Chambers '40, vice president, will represent the local organization at the conference and will discuss the problem of "Deferment or Early Rushing."

### Group Of 15 To Lecture On Religion

#### Noted Speakers Listed For Confab Here

The names of 15 speakers who will address students during Religion in Life Week, February 26 to March 3, were announced yesterday by the committee in charge.

They are Dr. John A. MacKay, president of Princeton Theological Seminary; Dr. Henry S. Leiper, secretary of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America; Dr. Grace S. Overton, dean of women of the University of Michigan; Dr. Henry David Gray, secretary of the board of education of the Congregational Church; Dr. Paul J. Blasted, executive secretary of the student volunteer movement; and Dr. Arthur L. Carson, professor at Case Western Reserve University, Ohio.

Other speakers are Dr. Samuel Gould Wright, executive secretary of the Council of Church Boards of Education; Dr. Frank Wilson of Lincoln University; and Dr. J. Maxwell Adams, university work secretary of the Presbyterian Church.

Additional speakers are Dr. Jesse M. Bader, national director of the University Christian Mission; Dr. Roswell Bajer, secretary of the International Goodwill Department of the Federal Council of Churches; Dr. Harold A. Ehrenspeiger, professor at Northwestern University; Dr. Mary E. Manley, secretary of the board of education of the Lutheran Church; and Dr. Howell Hart, professor of sociology at Duke University.

### Handbook Candidates For Editorial Board Meet Monday Night

All candidates for the Men's and Women's editorial staffs of the Freshman Handbook should report for the initial meeting in Room 418 Old Main at 7.30 Monday night.

Any upperclassmen is eligible for the staff. A. William Engel, Jr., '40, editor announces.

### Turkeys Work Overtime At 'Sweat Shop'

If C. I. O. head John L. Lewis ever hears how long the turkeys are working at the College poultry plant, there will be a major "sit-down" strike among the birds who are laying eggs under "sweat shop" conditions.

The poor turkeys are working 13 1/2 hours a day, because we carnivorous humans want more turkey meat! Ordinarily the turkey hens don't begin laying eggs until the arrival of warm spring weather.

### TOURING DEBATERS HERE



FRED R. THONEMANN



HUGH R. ROBSON

### Australian Orators Vie In Schwab Wednesday

Australia's debaters will match ideas and wits with Penn State's varsity representatives in an international symposium-forum in Schwab Auditorium at 8.15 p. m. Wednesday night.

Using "How can the democracies promote world peace?" as the general theme, opposing orators will deal with problems facing democracies and the case for an alliance between democracies.

State's representatives, David E. Cohen '39 and Charles G. Sweet '39, will present the case for isolated or regional action and the case for full collective security such as a revised League of Nations.

Each constructive speech will be 12 minutes in length with the last speaker, Sweet, introducing the resolution "Resolved, that the League of Nations offers the greatest hope of permanent world peace."

From this point on, both platform speakers and audience may speak on the resolution whenever recognized by the chair.

Joining the contest since last September, Hugh R. Robson, law student at Melbourne University, also well recommended for representing Australian students.

### Faculty Picks Four Juniors To Represent Penn State At Merrill Palmer School, Detroit, Next Year

Thelma E. Prather, Jane A. Roming, Bess J. Prager, and Ruth E. Wint, all juniors, are the four Home Economics women chosen by the faculty to go to Merrill Palmer School in Detroit, starting next September.

These four women, who will go in pairs for a semester of work, were chosen because of their scholastic standing, personality, ability to get along with others, and ability to represent Penn State women.

### Collegian Poll Shows 2-1 Advocate Women Holding Class Offices

#### More Than 1500 Ballots At Registration Filled; 68.8 Would Keep Separate Councils Under New Set-Up

Amassing almost a 3-1 margin favoring a combined all-College Men's and Women's Student Government, the Collegian survey conducted during the second semester registration indicated that women's suffrage was likely here soon.

Seventy-three and three-tenths of a proportionate representation of the student body voted "Yes" on the question, "Do you believe that Men's and Women's Student Government here should be combined into an all-College Student Government?"

Two-thirds of the more than 1500 voters advocated a chance for women to hold class offices. "Are you in favor of women holding class offices?" was the question, with final tabulations revealing that the closest contest was waged on this issue.

Separate Councils  
As a follow-up to the first question in the two-day poll, students were requested to point out if they favored retention of separate Councils under the new arrangement.

Sixty-eight and eight-tenths registered an affirmative reply to "If so, would you want to retain separate Men's and Women's Student Councils?"

No attempt was made to record personal comments during the poll, but occasional remarks specified a hope for proportional representation under such a new set-up.

Skating In Armory Resumes Tomorrow

Roller skating will be resumed in the Armory at 1 p. m. tomorrow, according to the Student Recreation Committee of the School of Physical Education and Athletics, and will be continued on the following two Saturdays.

As a special feature of tomorrow's program, the first 25 girls reporting for skating at 1 p. m. and at 7 p. m. will be allowed to participate free, the Committee revealed.

Inaugurated last spring and continued during the past semester, roller skating has attracted between two and five hundred participants every week-end, according to the committee.

Skating will again be divided into four sessions of two hours each. A fee of 20 cents will be charged for each session. Skating periods will begin at 1, 3, 7 and 9 p. m.

Business Less Favorable  
"Business in the state made a less favorable showing in 1938 than it did in the rest of the country," the report said. "Building contracts were off 10 percent while a national gain of over 7 percent took place. Building permits fell 23 percent, contrasting the national gain of nearly 2 percent."

Retail sales throughout the state were lower than in 1937. No area in the state had higher payrolls or better employment than it did in 1937, the report revealed.

"Business in the state declined until midyear," the report stated, and then began a rapid increase which continued until the end of the year.

Wanted By Co-eds:  
Valentine Beau For  
Sweetheart Dance

"Will you be my valentine?" At long last Mrs. Penn State will have the chance to do the escort choosing. No, it isn't leap year, only the Sweetheart dance which the Women's Recreation Association is sponsoring tomorrow night.

Co-eds, this is the opportunity to ask the smooth B. M. O. C. who cooperated in the Psychology final Remember, Senior Ball is in the offing.

The fee is one dollar.

The place—White Hall—dress is semi-formal. Tables are turned Opportunity knocks, take heed!

ROTC Not To Resume Until 8 A.M. Monday

No ROTC classes will be held before 8 a. m. Monday, Col. Ambrose R. Emery, head of the department of military science and tactics, announced yesterday.

This order includes both basic and advanced courses.

After Monday, all men will go to the Armory to get regular classroom assignments, Col. Emery said, because the rooms listed in the time table have in some instances been changed.

Successful Co-Op Houses  
Solve Housing Problem

By ADAM A. SMYSER '41

While students elsewhere on the campus are paying \$7 a week for board and \$3 weekly for room, 70 members of the Student Co-operative Association are boarding for \$3.50 and getting rooms for \$2.75.

Membership in the Association is divided between the Gables Co-op, 140 South Pugh Street, and the house at 120 East Foster Avenue. Twelve girls live at the Gables and 26 boys come in for meals. At the Foster Co-op, 32 boys room and board.

The Association was first conceived last spring when a social group from the P. S. C. A. visited New York City co-operative organizations and noted their remarkable success.

The financial and social success of the houses has given the Association a large waiting list and efforts are being made to expand into one or two more houses.

All in Student Hands  
Students run both houses, the cook in each house being the only paid worker. A home ec major helps plan the menus, a purchaser is responsible for buying all the food at the wholesale market; a treasurer collects dues and pays all bills. The rest of the members do their share in working four hours each week at household tasks.

Not only does the co-operative method of living cut expenses, but members report that it cuts home-

No Smoking In Rec Hall, Please!

Because of recognized ill-effects upon participating athletes from any amount of smoke, spectators at athletic events in Recreation Hall have been requested to refrain from smoking in a special appeal from Harry Harrison, president of A. A.

With such an exciting week-end of sport events scheduled here, Dr. Carl P. Schott, Dean of the School of Physical Education and Athletics, has made particular efforts to alleviate such conditions this Saturday. Members of various hat societies will aid in the special drive.

The Collegian asks your cooperation.

Bullinger Granted Leave

Prof. C. E. Bullinger, head of the department of industrial engineering, was granted a sabbatical leave for the first semester of the 1939-40 academic year by the Board of Trustees.

NYA Wants Workers  
Who Can Read French  
To Report To Office

All NYA workers who can read advanced French are requested to report to Mrs. Stewart in the NYA office, Room 208 Old Main.

Workers are desired who will be available for teaching to a student in advanced French courses. Report as soon as possible.