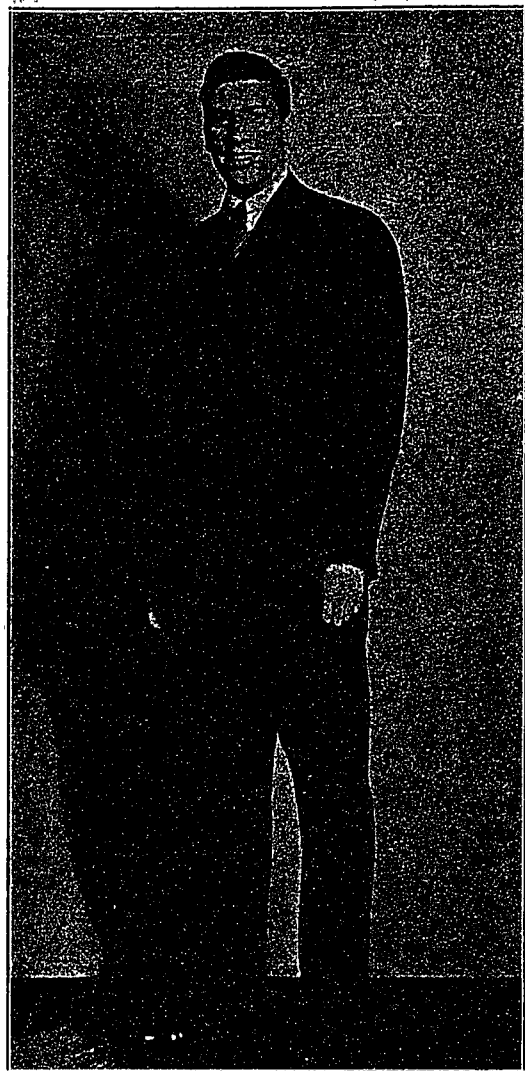


# McWilliams Is Selected For Collegian Award



H. CLIFTON MCWILLIAMS

## A SALUTE TO THE Most Outstanding Senior—1940

Editorial

"He has been wise, resourceful, fair, and courageous in his leadership, and at all times he has been loyal to the best interests of his College."

Such is the appraisal Dr. Ralph D. Hetzel, president of the Pennsylvania State College Student Government Association, has made of our College Student Government Association.

And of Penn State's Most Outstanding Senior of 1940—Howard Clifton McWilliams, Jr.

Tomorrow night, between the halves of the Pittsburgh basketball game in Recreation Hall, the Collegian will honor Cliff McWilliams—the Penn State senior who, during his entire collegiate career, has done most to augment the honor, the glory, and the prestige of the College.

His award, presented by the Collegian Junior Board, is not solely an athletic award. It is not a scholarship award. Nor is it based upon the number of campus honors the student may receive.

Cliff McWilliams possesses all of these—and more!

No average man or woman would have been able to step into an office unheard of until last May and perform the individual task of carrying out the executive powers which have been vested in the office he now holds—the first All-College President of the Pennsylvania State College Student Government Association.

Never before has one student been truly acknowledged as THE leader of the student body.

Yet, Cliff McWilliams has stepped into the shoe that had never been fitted. And it is a perfect fit.

Performing with a sincerity and genuineness of purpose, he is fulfilling a task which many would not have undertaken. His agreeable personality plus his physical size (also a tremendous asset as he captains the basketball team) have marked him as a leader among leaders.

Swept into the All-College post by a wide margin of votes last May, Cliff McWilliams has guided the Cabinet wisely. His undeniable fairness has been exemplified on many occasions when Cabinet has become involved in disputes which had to be settled with uncanny diplomacy.

"His ability to adapt himself to all situations . . . whether in conference with the President, chatting with the girls, or dealing with the politicians . . . without losing individuality or purpose of his being there," says Dean of Men Arthur R. Warnock, "is among his greatest accomplishments."

The Collegian could go on extolling the virtues of Cliff McWilliams. It could publish reams of copy of his exploits and his actions on the basketball court, in the classroom, on the campus. It could point out again his unwavering sportsmanship, his utmost sincerity and modesty, his gentlemanly character, and his true personification of the Penn State spirit. But this would be a repetition of what everyone knows to be fact.

He's still growing too, not physically, but he's growing. And he's "wise, resourceful, fair and courageous."

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## 3-DAY STUDENT GOVERNMENT CONFAB OPENS HERE TODAY

### Most Outstanding Senior Will Get Trophy Tomorrow

1st All-College President Has Envious Record As Politician, Court Captain

By ED McLODIE  
Amid a setting that is as familiar to him as his own backyard—the hardwood of Recreation Hall—Cliff McWilliams will receive the Collegian's annual award for the most outstanding senior, between halves of the Pittsburgh-Penn State basketball game tomorrow night.

Howard Clifton McWilliams is the name inscribed on the 15-inch trophy of Victory which will be presented by Edgar V. Hall '41, representing the Collegian Junior Board. But for the host of friends who have known the recipient throughout his active college career it will be just plain "Cliff" or "Mac."

Four Year Record Considered  
In electing McWilliams as the most outstanding senior in the graduating class of 1940, the electors decided on a basis of which student had done the most in his four-year college career to honor and further the prestige of Penn State. In amount of service, unselfishly rendered, McWilliams' record is monumental on the campus.

Stepping into the new position of All-College President, McWilliams was facing an entirely untried situation, but he has handled the position with the generalship he has proved himself a worthy college politician-athlete.

Entering Penn State as a freshman, he resolved to follow in the footsteps of his basketball-playing brother, Jay, and consequently went out for the court game to seek a regular post with the freshman team. Another feature of his life as a freshman, that had formulating factors later in his career, was the fact he was an independent.

Court Popularity  
Giving up choir and glee club work to become a letter winner in basketball in his sophomore year, McWilliams began what was eventually the cause of his success. He always was popular with court fans and consequently built up a popularity that was to be his champion later. It also was as a sophomore that he joined Phi Kappa Alpha fraternity.

In his junior-year things began to click for him as he starred in basketball and received his second letter, became a member of Parnous and Lions Paw; was Interfraternity Council representative, president of his fraternity, member of Phi Lambda Sigma, pre-league honoray, and his greatest achievement of them all—became Penn State's first All-College President under the new student government setup.

Now, as a senior, he is realizing the fruits of his achievements but is far from relaxing. McWilliams is as avid as a sophomore in pursuit of victory on the basketball court and is rounding his teammates into a winning combination.

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### WSGA Dance Tonight Will Climax Leap-Week Frolics

Leap week will reach its climax tonight when coeds escort their dates to WSGA's formal dance in Rec Hall from 9 to 12 p.m. Gail F. Pope '41, chairman, has announced that plans are complete and Rex Rockwell's band will play.

Highlighting the evening will be a grand march led by Jane A. Romig '40 and Elinor L. Weaver '41, WSGA president and vice president, and directed by Russell W. Clark, bursar, and Harry C. Rountree of the extension department.

An invitation to the parents of all-town women students has been issued by the dance committee.

### CONVENTION PROGRAM

TODAY  
10 a.m. 12:30 p.m. Registration—Alumni Association Office, Old Main  
11 a.m. Campus Tours  
12:30 p.m. Informal Get-together Luncheon—Old Main Sandwich Shop  
Introductions—H. Clifton McWilliams, Jr., All-College President, Pennsylvania State College  
Welcome—Arthur R. Warnock, Dean of Men, Pennsylvania State College  
Entertainment—Vosberg, the magician  
2 p.m. Conference Discussion—Auditorium, Room 10, Liberal Arts Building H. Clifton McWilliams, Jr. presiding  
Topics: The Structure of Student Government, Student Conduct, Discipline, and the Honor System, Campus Financial Problems, Elections Systems, Student, Faculty, and Administrative Relations, Student Participation in Curriculum Change  
4:30 p.m. Campus Tours  
6:30 p.m. Informal Dinner Meeting—University Club  
Toastmaster—A. William Engel, Jr., Editor, Penn State Collegian  
"Looking Ahead in Student Government"—Miss Charlotte E. Ray, Dean of Women, Pennsylvania State College  
"A Newspaperman's Viewpoint of College Student Governments"—Leon W. Shloss, Editor, Washington Bureau, International News Service  
Entertainment—Penn State Glee Club  
9 p.m. Student Government formal dance—Recreation Hall (Delegates to convention permitted choice of dress)

TOMORROW  
8:30 a.m. Conference Assembly—Alumni Association Office, Old Main  
9 a.m. Round Table Meetings  
Student Government and the College News—212 Old Main—Leon W. Shloss, chairman, A. William Engel, Jr., vice-chairman  
Fraternity and non-fraternity Relations in Student Government—304 Old Main—Dean Arthur R. Warnock, chairman, Frank C. Anderson, president

Interfraternity Council and Clarence A. Evans, president Independent Men's Association Pennsylvania State College vice-chairman  
10:30 a.m. Round Table Meetings  
Women in Student Government—304 Old Main—Miss Jane Romig, president Women's Student Government Association, Pennsylvania State College, chairman, Dean Charlotte E. Ray, vice-chairman  
Student, Faculty, Administrative Relations—Robert Edmundson, president Student Government Association, University of Pennsylvania, chairman, Colonel Ambrose R. Emery, vice-chairman  
12:30 p.m. Informal Luncheon—Old Main Sandwich Shop H. Clifton McWilliams, Jr. presiding  
"Student, Faculty Relations"—Colonel Ambrose R. Emery, ROTC, Pennsylvania State College  
2 p.m. Swimming, Penn State vs Syracuse—Glennland Pool  
3 p.m. Boxing, Penn State vs Cornell—Rec. Hall  
3:30 p.m. Women's Tea—Atherton Hall  
5 p.m. Informal Dinner Meeting—Nittany Lion Inn  
Toastmaster—David E. Pergrin, Senior Class President, Pennsylvania State College  
A College President Appraises Student Governments—Dr. Ralph D. Hetzel, president of Pennsylvania State College  
Entertainment—Sam Gallu, soloist  
8 p.m. Basketball, Penn State vs Pittsburgh—Rec. Hall  
9:30 p.m. Informal Party—Dyck Nite Club, Old Main

SUNDAY  
9:30 a.m.—Conference Meeting—405 Old Main, H. Clifton McWilliams, Jr. presiding  
Reports of Round Table Meetings  
Presentation of constitution for proposed Pennsylvania Intercollegiate Student Government Association  
11 a.m. Chapel Service—Schwab Auditorium  
"The Simplicity of Life"—John H. Frizzell, College Chaplain  
12:30 p.m. Closing Dinner—Corner

### ADDRESSES CONFAB



DR. RALPH D. HETZEL

### Blue Band Concert Unif Plays Sunday

Program Of 6 Numbers Is First In Series Of 8  
The Blue Band, for the first time under the direction of Hummel Fishburn as a concert unit, will open the annual complimentary concert series sponsored by the department of music in Schwab Auditorium at 3:30 p.m. Sunday. The affair will be the first of eight concerts scheduled.

The 80-piece concert Blue Band, slightly different from the marching band, will play the following six selections:

"Bravada" by Curzon, "Prelude and Fugue in G Minor" by Bach, "Procession of the Nobles from 'Mlada'" by Rimsky-Korsakoff, "Rhythm of Rio" by Bennett, "Overture Hangroise" by Sko-nicka, and "Pictures at an Exhibition" by Moussorgsky.

With four more concerts scheduled this year than last, concertgoers will have the opportunity to hear both the Engineers and Infantry ROTC bands, under the direction of Mr. Frank Gullo, the College Symphony orchestra, and the Louise Homer Club with Phi Mu Alpha.

The Blue Band is headed by Bruce I. Garner '40, president, Walter A. Belski '40, secretary, Edward M. Pennington '40, manager, and David G. McCullough '40, librarian.

### 50 Delegates From 23 Colleges To Register; Hetzel Will Address Convention Dinner Saturday Night

Shloss, Washington INS Chief, Will Lead Forums; Deans Warnock, Ray, And Col. Emory Scheduled To Speak Before Various Luncheon Gatherings

See Editorial, "First Convention Then . . ." on page 2  
More than 50 student leaders from 23 colleges and universities in Pennsylvania will gather here today for a three-day state-wide Student Government Convention.

Aimed primarily to benefit existing student governments and aid in organizing student self-government bodies in colleges where a system does not exist, the convention is the greatest undertaking of the All-College Cabinet of the Student Government Association of the Pennsylvania State College.

Final plans for the confab were completed at a meeting of the general committee Tuesday, after two months of preparation, David E. Pergrin '40, chairman, announced.

With registration from 10 a. m. to 12:30 p. m. this morning, the convention officially gets under way.

23 Schools to Attend  
Delegates from the following colleges will attend Lafayette, Lebanon Valley, Lehigh, Lincoln University, Moravian College for Men, Moravian College for Women, Allegheny, Carnegie Tech, Cedarcrest, Clarion, Drexel Tech, Clarion State Teachers, East Stroudsburg State Teachers, Franklin and Marshall, Gettysburg, Scranton, Keystone Junior College, University of Pittsburgh center at Erie, University of Pittsburgh center at Johnstown, University of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania State College center at Uniontown, University of Pennsylvania, Wilson College, and Ursinus.

Shloss to Participate  
Leon W. Shloss, editor of the Washington Bureau, International News Service, is scheduled to participate prominently on the convention program.

Shloss, formerly an instructor in history at the College, assistant coach of basketball, and coach of tennis in 1931 and 1932, will speak to the delegates on "The Newspaperman's Viewpoint of College Student Governments," at the dinner in the University center tonight.

He will also conduct one of the open forums tomorrow morning.

Topping the list of guest speakers will be President Ralph D. Hetzel, who will address tomorrow night's banquet at the Nittany Lion on "A College President Appraises Student Governments."

Dean of Women Charlotte E. Ray and Dean of Men Arthur R. Warnock (Continued on page two)

Members of the All-College Cabinet and convention committees who wish to attend any convention luncheon or dinner must register at the Alumni office in Old Main at 9 a. m. today.

With the nomination of Janet N. Holtzinger and Elinor L. Weaver for WSGA president, and L. Eleanor Benfer, Marjory A. Harwick, and Jane B. Hoskins for WRA president, the government and recreational nominating committees announced their candidates for women's elections March 13.

Additional nominations may be made from the floor at the mass meeting for all women students in Schwab Auditorium from 7 to 8 p. m. Tuesday. Any woman wishing to add to the slate must present her choice for office and give her nominee's qualifications.

An open discussion on the proposed point system which would apportion women's activities will be led by Betty Ann Albright '41 at the mass meeting. Primary elections will be held in the first floor lounge of Old Main from 8:45 a. m. to 5 p. m. Thursday.

Other WSGA candidates are Betty M. Martin, Marion E. Sperling, Mildred M. Taylor, vice president, Margaret R. Comly, Pauline Crossman, Mildred E. Schmidt, treasurer, Eleanor L. Fagans, Alice Fleeman, Vera L. Kemp, senior senator, Anne M. Borton, Marion M. Eberts, R. Helen Gordon, junior senator, Margaret H. Mellroy, Sarah E. Paxton, Margaret K. Sherman, sophomore senator; Jean Babcock, Jean F. Weaver, Florence May Worthley, town senator.

May Queen nominees are Mary Ann Landis, Marguerite R. Schaefer, Mary R. Wirtz, and candidates for freshman attendant to May Queen include M. Jane Blackburn, Frances A. Leiby, and Margaret C. Seeds.

WRA's slate includes Margaret M. Deiner, Mary W. Houghton, Marion E. Sperling, vice president; and Dorothy Godshalk, Virginia M. Penrod, Betty L. Zeigler, treasurer. Defeated candidates for president of both WSGA and WRA receive the secretarial position in their respective organizations.

### Block, Bridle Club Sets Date of Livestock Show

The Block and Bridle club will hold the 1940 Little International Live Stock Show in the Stock Pavilion on April 27, according to Curtis A. Miller '40, president.

Morris Schaffner '40, the show manager, has announced the following features of the Little International meet: auction, coed pig race, student sheep shearing, and a College teamsters contest.

### Senior Ball Receipts Show \$326.97 Profit

Although this year's Senior Ball, with Jan Savitt, drew 29 more paid admissions than did last year's with Duke Ellington, the estimated profit of \$326.97 was \$350 under last year's gain of \$685. The difference was due to expense increases of \$350 for music and \$50 for decorations.

### Junior Class Poll Set For Blazers

Will Vote To Determine Style Of New Jackets  
With the possibility that a new Junior Blazer may appear on the campus this spring, Thomas A. Backenstose, Junior Class President, announced yesterday that a poll of members of the junior class will be taken next week to determine the interest in selection of a new type of Blazer.

"Much adverse comment on the style and appearance of last year's Blazers has led to the belief that something new in style, and possibly color, is desired," stated Backenstose.

"If the junior class indicates a change is wanted, plans for new Blazers will be made, with possible innovations in material to be considered," he continued.

The survey to be conducted, Backenstose pointed out, would determine whether changes are desired. Approximate prices for the different styles under consideration will be voted on in the poll also.

The tentative report, released yesterday by Neil M. Fleming, graduate manager of athletics, showed 702 paid admissions, 47 booth rentals, 727 checking fees, and 776 taxes on admissions had grossed \$3,145.35 income. Seventy-four complimentary tickets, 11 more than last year, were issued.

Expenditures were estimated at \$2,818.38, with music at \$1,350 the largest item. Music last year cost \$1,000.

Admissions, 702 at \$3.50—\$2,457.00, tax on admissions, 776 at \$3.50—\$2,716.00; both rental, 47 at \$5.00—\$235.00, checking, 727 at \$2.50—\$1,817.50.

Music—\$1,350, decorations—\$400; tax on admissions—\$271.60; programs—\$120.40, advertising—\$105.75, compensations—\$100, checking—\$181.75, College labor—\$100, telephone and telegraph—\$27.50, piano tuning and rental—\$15, ticket sellers and doormen—\$32.50; flowers—\$10; women's attendant—\$5, catering—\$50; invitations—\$4.50, ticket printing—\$28.01, and miscellaneous—\$15.

### Camera Club Organized

Plans for an exhibition to be entered in the Penn State Christian Association Hobby Fair in March were discussed at the first meeting of the newly reorganized Penn State Camera Club, Wednesday night.

### Annual Gridiron Banquet Postponed From March 11 To Thursday, March 14

Conflict with a varsity basketball game against Carnegie Tech on March 11 will make necessary the postponement of the annual Gridiron Banquet until Thursday, March 14, banquet chairman Bernard A. Newman '40 announced yesterday.

The yearly affair, when anyone and everyone on the campus is taken to task and made to like it, is sponsored by Sigma Delta Chi, national journalism honorary. The theme this year will be "War and the Dead Past"—and the committee in charge of programming the banquet dares YOU to come and see whether you can stand the gruesome "fun" in store for banquetgoers.

Tickets for the Gridiron Banquet will be priced at \$1.50. Informal attire will be in style this year for the first time.

### Dunaway Will Lecture

Dr. Wayland F. Dunaway, professor of American history, will speak on "Social Life and Customs of Scotch-Irish Frontiersmen of Pennsylvania" at Highland Hall, private girls school in Holidayburg tomorrow.

### Kreiser Tickets Go On Sale Today

With ticket windows in Old Main opening at 8 p. m. today, 254 extra tickets to the Fritz Kreiser concert here next Thursday will go on sale at \$2.00 each. Dr. Carl E. Marquardt, chairman of the Artists' Course Committee announced yesterday.

Dr. Marquardt urged students and faculty members who were interested in procuring tickets to the number to purchase them early, as the number was definitely limited. Of the available tickets, 130 are for seats on the stage, and 124 are standing room.

"Already," Dr. Marquardt stated, "several requests for tickets have been received from out of town, including one request for a large block of seats. In view of this demand and the desire to accommodate first of all the students and faculty, seats will not knowingly be sold to out-of-town patrons until Friday afternoon."