

## Mural Petition Requests Split Of Senior Fund

A request to call a senior class election on the question of dividing the class gift into two funds may soon be presented to William B. Bartholomew, president of the class of 1941, it was learned last night.

Requesting that the class memorial be divided 50 per cent for a loan fund and 50 percent for a mural fund, 10 petitions are being circulated among members of the senior class.

"This is not a demand for a re-election on the absolute disposal of the senior class gift but an effort to gauge student sentiment on such a split of the fund," George J. Joseph, one of the circulators of the petition, explained last night.

"We feel confident that if a minimum of 300 seniors sign the pleas, Bartholomew will call an election since that number will be demonstrative of class desire," Joseph added.

The petitions revive an issue which began at All-College elections when senior voting on the class gift resulted in the choice of loan funds over murals by a five-vote margin.

Joseph and Clayton H. Musser, co-authors of the petition, base their plea on the closeness of the class vote and the publicity which the College has ob-

## US Convoys Would Win For Britain, Tanger Says

The United States can save Britain from defeat by conveying war materials to her while she is still on her feet, according to Prof. Jacob Tanger, head of the political science department.

Tanger said that he thinks Britain's navy will be a strong factor in deciding the war, but her land troops and military machine will remain inferior to Germany's.

"Russia will get involved in the war if Germany attempts to sack the Ukraine granaries, but she is content now to watch the western countries cut themselves to shreds, economically and politically," he pointed out. "Stalin will step in when these countries are well worn by war."

Regarding Turkey, Tanger stated, "I think she will waver in sentiment and join the dominant power later in the conflict as Italy joined with Britain in the last war."

The political scientist said that the real cause of this war was the failure of peace-time government. He recommended greater accessibility of raw materials from other nations.

Tanger explained that Hitler must be dealt a stunning blow before the people under his suppression can revolt. Otherwise a paralysis would have to go completely down the Nazi line to destroy the party's power. Such a party destruction, he declares, is unlikely.

Only the United States can turn the tide of battle for Britain. The Germans, he said, have been stimulated by Hitler's brilliant victories, but a crushing defeat will break their forced allegiance.

"Hitler is choosing his own battleground, but his campaigns can be shattered with a battlefield handicap and the possible loss of his control of the Rumanian oil fields," he concluded.



**PUERTO RICO** will be the residence of Dr. Kingsley Davis, associate professor of sociology, for the next few months. He sailed yesterday for the Caribbean island where he will work on a study of population trends.

## Time, Place Set For Graduation

The 81st annual College commencement will be held on New Beaver Field at 11 a.m. on June 8 and the baccalaureate sermon will be held in Rec Hall at 11 a.m., June 8, Clarence E. Bullinger, College marshal, announced yesterday.

All candidates for degrees will meet before commencement on New Beaver Baseball Field behind the east stands. However, there will be no processional.

President Ralph D. Hetzel will confer the degrees after presentation of the candidates will be made by the deans of each School. Though the commencement exercises are scheduled for New Beaver Field, in case of rain they will be held in Rec Hall.

Candidates for Bachelor degrees should make arrangements at Student Union for their caps and gowns. There will be a refund of about \$5 when caps and gowns are returned to the Athletic Store immediately after commencement.

## Senior Invitations

Commencement invitations, announcements, and programs will be available at Student Union beginning Monday, it was announced yesterday.

## Russians Were Treated Better Under Czar, Declares Klassen

"It was an interesting experience to witness the change of the Russian government under the Czar to that under the Marxists," Peter B. Klassen, instructor in sociology who will leave the College in June to do research work at the University of Chicago, reminisced yesterday.

Klassen, who was born in Russia and lived there for 20 years, remarked that life under the Czar was much happier than that of today because then the people had freedom of religion, but now they are denied religion. He said that nothing has been put in religion's place and that condition gave rise to the present dictatorship.

"The Marxists, the class now in power, are highly intellectual and the mass of the Russians are too far below their level of thought to be satisfied with the form of government," Klassen said.

Having witnessed the Russian famine in 1922, Klassen declared, "I have seen people die like flies from starvation. However, Her-

## Police Report Additional Theft

A report to the police by Theta Xi yesterday of a robbery of \$3 cash and a wallet containing an antique dollar bill Wednesday night was the only new development in the investigation of the fraternity robberies that occurred between 2 and 6 o'clock Wednesday morning.

Thomas E. James, Jr. '44, was robbed of the \$3 and Albert L. Hovanec '43, the wallet.

The members of Theta Kappa Phi who were robbed of a total of approximately \$75 Wednesday are Thomas M. Carr '41, \$42; Joseph V. Sweterlitsch '43, \$10; Thomas P. Meehan, Jr. '43, \$4; Edward C. McGinley '41, \$6; Robert H. Pease '44, \$5; Lawrence D. Gent, Jr. '44, \$2; Joseph Ortwein '41, \$2; J. Robert Kunkle '44, \$2. Amounts of small change were also taken from other members of Theta Kappa Phi.

Triangle fraternity was the second hardest hit of three. Five members were robbed of sizable sums, and others of small amounts of change. The five are Charles J. Smith '42, \$20.50; Charles R. Clemson '41, \$4; William R. Forsyth '43, \$3; Harold C. Foust '42, \$2; and Jack I. Cornell '44, \$1.30.

Members of Pi Kappa Alpha who were robbed of more than small change are Kenneth L. Payne '44, \$7; James R. Lehr '42, \$6; Wilbert D. Moffatt '42, \$2; and James R. Russell '41, Richard R. Von Ezdorf '41, and William H. Borner '41, \$1 each.

## Greyhound Bus Permit Passed By Boro Council

Borough Council held a special meeting yesterday afternoon to pass on building permits asked by the Greyhound Company and by Aikens, Kennard and Mateer.

The Greyhound permit will allow for the erection of a bus terminal at the present bus station location on Route 322 and listed an approximate amount of \$26,000 for the building.

Aikens, Kennard and Mateer were granted a permit to build a \$17,000 structure on the site of the Allencrest building, which was gutted by fire April 1.

Construction will begin as soon as possible on both buildings, according to the contractors.

## Harrisburg Buckles Down To Legislative Duties

### Artists' Course Sales Hit 289 Total

Purchase of 81 tickets by students yesterday completed the May sale of the Artists' Course series seats for next year. Including Wednesday's sale of 208 tickets to faculty and townspeople, the total mounted to 289.

Students purchased 40 tickets at \$3.50, 17 at \$4.50, and 24 at \$5.50 in 48 orders.

Drop in student sales as compared to faculty purchases was attributed by Dr. Carl E. Marquardt, committee chairman, to the lost support of departing seniors and general student unwillingness to pay now for a series six months away.

## 25-Cent Fee Cut For Senior Party

Seniors may attend their annual "hot dog party" this year without paying the usual fee of 25 cents, Co-chairman W. Lewis Corbin '41 and George L. Parrish '41 announced last night.

In place of the fee, cap and gown receipts will be necessary for admission to the party, which will be held on the Jordan Fertility Plots opposite Grange Dormitory, Sunday, May 25, at 5:30 p.m. In case of rain, the affair will be held Monday.

Highlight of the party will be the election of a hot dog king. To date, the senior nominees named for the crown are Edward B. Harris, Roy P. Rogers, and William E. LaPorte.

Entertainment will be furnished by the Blue Band, a campus "jam band," and a novelty male trio. All underclass dates will be charged 10 cents, the co-chairmen emphasized.

In contrast to other years, the "dogs" will probably be cooked at the party instead of having them prepared earlier and then brought in during the party.

## Flying Cadet Applicants Will Be Interviewed

Applicants for entrance into the Flying Cadets will be interviewed by Capt. James S. Sutton, in charge of the Flying Cadet Board of the United States Army Air Corps, starting Monday, Col. Edward R. Ardery, head of the Military Science Department, announced yesterday.

Interviews will be given on the Armory floor beginning at 9 a.m. Captain Sutton may remain for the interviewing until Friday, May 23, but it is suggested that any one desiring to make application report early in the week.

Applicants must be between the ages of 20 and 26, and have had two years of college education or its equivalent.

## Fire Destroys Farmhouse Near Pine Grove Mills

The Edward Clouser farmhouse near Pine Grove Mills burned to the ground in a fire which started about 10:15 o'clock last night.

Some furniture was saved from the blaze which started in a wood house attached to the kitchen of the house. Alpha Fire Company volunteers who rushed to the scene were hampered by a lack of an adequate water supply.

## Action Seen Due On College Bills

Special to the Collegian

**HARRISBURG, May 15**—A Legislature that has idled four months is ready to get down to real business, its leaders are indicating, and that means appropriations bills, 10 of them affecting the Pennsylvania State College, will begin to hum through committees and readings starting probably next week.

Leo Achterman (D., Monroe), the majority floor leader of the House, said today that most of the appropriation now in committee will be started through the House next week. Some measures were reported out of committee but no Penn State bills were included.

Chief among the Penn State bills slated to start through the legislative process is the general appropriation request for 1941-43. Governor James has asked that the amount be \$4,375,000, the College that it be \$5,509,000.

Until now it had been held up while the Democratic house was investigating alleged non-cooperation of the College and state with the federal soil erosion program. Rep. Clayton E. Moul (D., York) seems about ready to bring this probe to an end, however, and that will mean a green light for the College bills, among them a \$321,000 agricultural research bill sponsored by Representative Moul himself.

Even so, with the legislative machinery geared to what comparatively is speed, it may be almost a month before the bills are finally sent to the Governor. Their final passage is likely to be delayed until a few days short of final adjournment, now forecast as June 15. This device gives the Governor 30 days to consider the measures instead of the 10 he would have if the Legislature were still in session.

Already on the floor of the Legislature are appropriation bills for Temple University and the University of Pennsylvania, both brought from committee this week.

Today the House approved and sent to the Senate for concurrence a bill appropriating \$25,000 to the College for research in tobacco growing.

Yesterday it had okayed a bill for \$759,121 toward payment of the money borrowed to sponsor the \$5,000,000 building program just completed on the Penn State campus.

## Late News

**WASHINGTON** — A bill that would give the president the power to take control of 84 Danish, Italian, and German ships in American harbors was passed in the Senate and entered the House yesterday by a 57-20 vote. Eleven hours after this bill was passed by the Senate, armed guards had boarded thirteen French vessels.

**MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL**  
**National League**  
New York 2, Chicago 1  
Boston 6, St. Louis 3  
Brooklyn, Pittsburgh, rain.  
Cincinnati, Philadelphia, night game.

**American League**  
Detroit 10, Philadelphia 2  
Chicago 13, New York 1  
St. Louis 7, Washington 0  
Cleveland 6, Boston 4