

Student Government Reaches New High As College Ruling Body

Cabinet, Tribunal Widen Jurisdiction

Student government on the campus, already acclaimed as "the best in the country," rose to new heights last year—the second year of the Pennsylvania State College Student Government Association.

Most notable achievements of governing groups were made by All-College Cabinet, legislative body, and by Student Tribunal, the "Supreme Court" of student government.

By recommendation of Cabinet, the Board of Trustees added \$1.20 to student fees to buy new Blue Band uniforms. Student Tribunal won its case when a faculty committee upheld the suspension of two students from extra-curricular-activities and temporarily from classes for a voting fraud at All-College elections.

Cabinet also took up powers previously held only on paper when it voted to divide chapel collections between Lingnan University in China and a local charity. This, however, was contested and a joint Cabinet-Penn State in China committee decided that the action must be ratified by chapelgoers in a series of votes this fall.

Under the student government constitution adopted in the spring of 1939, the separate men's and women's governments, the councils from each school, fraternity and independent groups, and activities groups were brought together in the All-College Cabinet.

Cabinet is headed by the All-College president, elected each spring by popular student vote. His powers in student government correspond to those of the United States President in our Federal government.

Serving as the legislative body for all students, Cabinet meets each week to consider student, student-faculty, and student-administrative problems.

One of the biggest feathers in the cap of the first Cabinet was the establishment of the Pennsylv-



Three Class Presidents—H. Leonard Krouse, left, is senior class president; Jerome H. Blakeslee, center, is junior class president; and Jack R. Grey is sophomore class president. The class of 1945 will be organized sometime in No-

vember under the direction of Blakeslee. Officers chosen then will serve until the spring All-College elections. Both men and women are eligible to hold all class offices. The only requirement is that all officers must have a "1" average.

vania Intercollegiate Student Government Association. At a convention on the campus, March 17, 1940, Pennsylvania colleges and universities became charter members of the association, formed "to establish and strengthen student governments . . ."

Presidency of the organization was awarded for the first year to Penn State with Thomas C. Backenstose '41 getting individual honors. He was chosen by Arnold C. Laich '41, All-College president.

The second convention, last spring, was also held at the College with delegations from 24 colleges in attendance. Bucknell University was selected president for the current academic year. Penn State was chosen for the vice-presidency.

In addition to the All-College president and vice-president, the president of each of the four classes has a seat on the Cabinet. The social side of college life is represented by the presidents of Interfraternity Council, Panhellenic Council, Independent Men's Association and a representative chosen annually by independent women.

Councils from each of the seven schools are represented by their presidents.

11 Counties Affected By State Quarantine

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State Department of Health, advocated that students planning to come to the College from the 11 districts should undergo a voluntary 14-day quarantine before they attend the College.

The scare of poliomyelitis has not reached here as only one case has been reported in this county and this is considered normal for the year, according to Dr. Joseph P. Ritenour, director of the College Health Service.

It is expected that College officials will take some definite action concerning the status of students from the quarantined counties either today or tomorrow. Students will be notified by letter or newspapers.

The 11 counties which are being regulated by the measures taken by the State Department of Health are Adams, Cambria, Cumberland, Dauphin, Franklin, Lancaster, Lebanon, Montgomery, Northumberland, Schuylkill, and York.

Almost 1,300 students are probably affected by the ban placed upon them by health authorities. Approximately this number registered here last year.

Baird, Doherty Join Services; Election Likely

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to return to college this fall. Before the amendment was passed, the constitution contained no provision for succession to the All-College presidency if both the president and vice-president "resigned or became disqualified." Instead the senior class president would have become chairman of Cabinet.

However, faced with the probability of such a situation, Cabinet felt that this arrangement would place too much work upon one man and drafted the amendment which was passed unanimously.

The amendment: "In the event of the disqualification or resignation of both the All-College president and vice-president, an election for All-College president shall be held within four weeks of the beginning of the regular College session after the disqualification or resignation of the old officers goes into effect."

New Road To Bellefonte Cuts Traveling Distance

An improved highway between State College and Bellefonte, which cuts four miles off the road distance between the two towns and pares traveling time almost in half, was formally opened on June 24.

The new road, Benner Pike, is paved with amiesite. Following a more direct route between the two towns, it is only 9 miles long instead of 13.

Dr. Palmer Appointed Ag Biochem Prof

Dr. Albert H. Palmer, an authority on milk proteins and recently on the faculty of the New York University Medical College, has been appointed an assistant professor of agricultural and biological chemistry.

Dr. Palmer will become the Smith, Kline and French Laboratories Research Fellow on the campus, succeeding Dr. William G. Gordon, who has accepted a position in the protein division of the Eastern Region Research Laboratories, Philadelphia.

MacKenzie To Judge

Peter C. MacKenzie, College livestock superintendent, will judge all livestock, including 4-H Club classes, at the Eastern States Exposition in Springfield, Mass., September 14 to 18.

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