

Lion Eleven Seeks To Shake Pitt Jinx

Finance Confab Will Hold Final Sessions Today

Final sessions of the sixth annual conference of the Municipal and Local Finance Officers of Pennsylvania, which started yesterday, will be conducted this morning. The "Information Please" program, in which eight experts in the field of municipal finance will be quizzed by delegates, attending the convention, will feature the morning's activities.

Sponsored by the Institute of Local Government, less than 200 delegates registered yesterday in Old Main, out of the 250 expected to attend. After registration, J. O. Keller, assistant to the president in charge of extension, welcomed convention members.

Following the quiz, breakfast will be served in the Sandwich Shop with leading finance officers as hosts. The chairmen of yesterday's sectional meetings will then report their findings to the convention.

Speeches by outstanding authorities in the field of finance, open discussions, and informal talks will make up the remainder of the program. Speakers are:

Carl Chatters, Chicago, executive director of the Municipal Finance Officers Association of United States and Canada; Albert Pleydell, deputy commissioner of New York City's purchasing department; Leonard P. Fox, manager of the Pennsylvania State Chamber of Commerce research bureau; and Fred W. Hosler, principal of the Public Service Institute, Department of Public Instruction, Harrisburg.

Cooperating with the finance officers are seven state and three national organizations. Harold F. Alferfer, executive secretary of the Institute of Local Government, is in charge of all arrangements of the convention.

A luncheon at the Sandwich Shop will formally close the conference today.

Tribunal Schedules Customs Bluebook For Exempt Frosh

"Although freshmen are permitted to start dating at 8 a. m. today it is no indication that Tribunal is starting to go soft," Raymond F. Leffler '42, Tribunal chairman, stated last night.

To qualify this statement, Leffler announced a Tribunal sponsored quiz for all freshmen exempt from customs because of age or wearing of customs at another college.

The "customs" bluebook is designed to test the campus knowledge of the '45ers and will cover Penn State songs, cheers, BMOC's, faculty, buildings, and other pertinent matter in the "bible," Leffler added.

The test will be held Tuesday night at 9 o'clock in Room 10 Sparks Building, he stated. All those freshmen carrying exemption cards must be present as roll will be called, added the Tribunal head. In addition the five violators who carried punishments for the past week must be present at the meeting, he announced.



These Stars May Shine—When the Nittany Lions and Pitt's Panthers tangle in their annual grid battle this afternoon, the sports world may hear a lot of praise echoed for the above five players. Captain Len Krouse, Pepper Petrella, and Bill Smaltz will set off the Nittany fireworks and Bill Dutton and Bill Benghouser of Pitt intend to steady the Panther offensive.

Judging Team Enters Chicago International

Penn State's seven man livestock and meat judging team will participate in the International Livestock Show scheduled in Chicago this Saturday. Coach William L. Henning, professor of animal husbandry announced last night.

The team, consisting of George R. Krupp, Donald S. Gaige, James A. Kennedy, Robert S. Christ, Almon K. Birth, John T. Smith, and James H. Swart, all seniors, is scheduled to practice at Purdue University and the University of Illinois while enroute to Chicago after seeing the Pitt game today.

Construction Starts On Wind Tunnel

Concrete has been cut and excavation completed for the wind tunnel being constructed in the sub-basement in the New Physics Building, according to John H. Hensey, contractor of the project. The tunnel, which will be used in aeronautical study, will be seven feet, four inches at the highest point and will be made of reinforced concrete.

Eight adjustable propellers, driven by two gasoline motors, will force air through the throat of the tunnel at a maximum rate of 250 miles an hour.

Hensey said that the tunnel should be completed within three months.

Ideal Football Weather For Today's Contest

Slight snow flurries yesterday morning dampened the hopes of many a Pitt weekend aspirant. Despite the sun's appearance later in the day, skepticism still reigned. However, college weather experts agreed that there is nothing to worry about. The forecast calls for fair and continued cold—perfect football weather.

Symphony Heads Chosen

Herbert F. Turnbull '42 was elected president, Elsie J. Lund '42, secretary-treasurer, and Eugene W. Lederer '42, librarian, at a recent meeting of the Symphony Orchestra.

Nittanymen Hope To Avenge Loss Suffered In 1940

By BOB SCHOOLEY

As usual the Penn State Nittany Lion eleven will assume the role of the underdog when it tangles with the Pitt Golden Panthers in a determined effort to free itself from one of the biggest jinxes in college football in Pitt Stadium at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

Not since 1919 have the Lions tasted victory flavored with Panther meat in the Smokey City. In that year it was Coach Bob Higgins who paced the Blue and White to triumph, 20-0, over Pitt from his end post. The Panthers hold a sharp edge of victories as a challenge to the Lions. Twenty-four decisions were pinned on the wall by Pitt and the Lions have carried off 14. Two games ended in a tie.

But the classic upset of the series which began in 1893 was recorded on New Beaver Field in 1939 when Coach Higgins' charges walked away with the contest, 10-0.

Last season the game was again transferred to Pittsburgh and the Lions were again beaten, 20-7, to wreck their hopes for a Rose Bowl or Orange Bowl bid. So the rivalry which has developed to sword's point will be tested in today's 41st meeting of the teams. The Panthers are the Lions' oldest rivals, and Pitt's likewise.

Team spirit reached a new high in Lion practices during the week as Penn State prepared to throw all its power against the Panther grid machine. With a squad unhampered by injuries, the Lions bear no particular love for the aerial robbery tactics of Pitt's Edgar "Special Delivery" Jones and intend to spoil his habit of intercepting passes.

The Lions refuse to tag their backs with talent names, but they have elected Big Bill Smaltz postmaster of the "air mail" department. Today's battle looms as a tussle between the needle-accuracy of Smaltz' passes and Jones' ability to snatch enemy aerial tosses and turn them into scores. (Continued on Page Three)

Late News

PITTSBURGH—With the increasing disturbance and violence in which 12 pickets were wounded when 150 strikers were fired on from behind coal mine slag, mine authorities asked Governor Arthur H. James to send out the State police to quell the rioting in Fayette county. The Governor said he would comply with their request.

DETROIT — After reelecting Philip Murray chairman, the CIO convention yesterday condemned the use of armed forces to squelch disturbances in the strike areas.

VICHY—Hitler will meet Marshal Petain next week to discuss French possessions in Africa and the new landing of arms on the eastern coast of Africa by the British.

TOBRUK—A full Nazi division has been reported trapped near Tobruk in Britain's new offensive in Libya.

To Show Color Movie

"Combat" is the title of the natural color movie to be shown by the Hort Club at 4:15 p. m., Tuesday, in 100 Hort. The film is narrated by Lowell Thomas, and deals with the control of pests on fruits and truck crops, including potatoes. Admission is free.

BULLETS FOR BREAKFAST!

Ex-Editor Dodges Strikers' Bullets

Bullets for breakfast—that was the experience of Adam A. Smyser '41, last year's Daily Collegian editor and now staff writer for the Pittsburgh Press, who was one of five reporters who narrowly escaped death yesterday, during an early morning uprising of coal strikers at Edenborn.

The reporters' car was riddled with bullets as they entered the town at 4 a. m. to find themselves in the midst of a shooting labor war. Smyser, along with others was starting out on early morning news patrol.

"I'm one of the lucky guys the bullets didn't hit," he declared in a phone call later on that morning, made from a company store where

outside he said, a boy was "swept up in blood."

In a detailed account of the shooting Smyser told how he, along with the other newspapermen, drove along the road in total darkness and stopped suddenly when they noticed a long line of cars blocking the road.

"None of the cars had any lights on and at first I didn't get what was happening. Then boom, boom, came a couple of reports from up on the hill, and I saw that men were lying flat on the road—one of them had even crawled under the car ahead of us," he related.

A lull in the shooting occurred during which Smyser decided to get out of the car. He slithered

out of the automobile on his hands and knees and crawled to the side of the road, when suddenly the guns from the hill let go again.

"Could it have been that those marksmen up on the hill saw poor little me, perhaps the only person among hundreds who was moving down in the valley. At any rate the turf all around me started spitting up, and I realized that the puffs of dust were created by spattering grape-shot," Smyser related. Smyser said that at daybreak he went upon on the hill and picked up some of the empty shells.

"None of them had my name on it," he concluded.