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College Calendar

All calendar items must be in the Daily Collegian office by 4:30 p.m. on the day preceding publication.

Friday, September 26

BLUE BAND Marching Unit, candidates report to 109 Carnegie Hall, 9-12 a.m.
COLLEGIAN business staff senior board meeting, 8 Carnegie Hall, 7 p.m.
WRA Open House, White Hall, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, September 27

COLLEGIAN editorial staff senior board, 8 Carnegie Hall, 2 p.m.; junior board, 3 p.m.; sophomore board, 4 p.m.
HILLEL Open House, Hillel Foundation, 9-12 p.m.

Sunday, September 28

COLLEGIAN business staff junior board, 8 Carnegie Hall, 2 p.m.; business staff sophomore board, 3:30 p.m.
SORORITY Open House, 2-4 p.m.; see story for individual places.

Monday, September 29

LA VIE Senior Board meeting, 412 Old Main, 4:30 p.m.
CHAPEL CHOIR tryouts: tenors, 211 Carnegie Hall, 7-8 p.m.; basses and baritones, 8-10 p.m.
PENN STATE CLUB meeting, 321 Old Main, 7 p.m.
PENN STATE ENGINEER candidates meeting, 416 Old Main, 7:30 p.m.

With the Editor

In another part of today's Collegian is a round-up of news which occurred during the summer months. Some of that news was significant enough to warrant editorial comment which will be reviewed in part here.

Fees Increase

Most students, especially non-GI's, were unpleasantly surprised to learn that a special fee of \$20 has been added to the general fees. While it is significant that the College is the last institution in the East to increase fees, it is also significant that the increase was needed to partially offset the budget deficiency caused by Governor Duff's slash of Penn State's appropriation which was originally approved by the state legislature.

There will still be discontentment, however, because the new assessment adds only \$400,000 to the budget. This is certainly not enough to take care of adequate salary increases for the staff and faculty to meet spiraling costs of living.

According to a survey conducted by Colgate, educational expenses have increased over 50 percent, and if appropriations do not keep pace the group that will suffer most will be the student body, and consequently the people of the Commonwealth.

And what about other schools? The University of Minnesota received a 67 percent increase in state funds over last year. Indiana University's budget has been practically doubled. The University of Illinois appropriation represents a \$24,000,000 increase over the preceding two-year operating budget.

Yet, Pennsylvania which is the second largest state in the nation in terms of wealth and population has allotted only \$8,750,000 for general maintenance to the College for the next two-year period.

Sugar Bowl Bid

Penn State was again confronted this summer with racial discrimination in intercollegiate athletics, and again made an unequivocal decision to compete only under circumstances which will permit the playing of any or all members of its athletic teams.

The decision reached by the Athletic Advisory Board to decline the Sugar Bowl invitation tendered the Lion boxing team is especially commendable since there are no Negro boxers on the squad at the present time.

When the football game with the University of Miami (Fla.) was cancelled last November, Penn State had two Negro players on its squad.

Boxing captain Jackie Tighe as well as the other members of the board felt that the absence of Negroes on the squad should have no bearing on the decision. The point stressed was that the invitation attempted to place restriction on who could be members of the Lion team.

Troxell Voted State Post At Student Convention

Robert Troxell was elected Pennsylvania Region vice-chairman and member of the national executive committee of the United States National Student Association at the Constitutional Convention held at the University of Wisconsin August 30 to September 7.

Jane Fouracre, Eugene Fulmer, Allan Ostar, and Troxell were elected by All-College cabinet last semester to represent Penn State at the 10-day convention at which more than 700 delegates representing over a million students from 350 colleges and universities were present.

The delegates will present reports at mass meetings so that the student body can decide the question of ratification of the constitution. Ratification at this time would make Penn State a charter member of the USNSA.

USNSA was conceived when delegates from more than 300 schools met at the University of Chicago last December at the invitation of the 25 American student delegates to the World Student Congress held in Prague, Czechoslovakia, in the summer of 1946.

Purposes of the USNSA are to foster and develop campus activities that improve the welfare of the student, and to conduct activities which will bring the American student into closer contact with the students and cultures of the United Nations.

At Wisconsin the stand was taken that the organization will specifically refrain from becoming involved in partisan political affairs, sectarian religious considerations, or matters which do not directly affect the functions and activities of students.

In addition to adopting the constitution, the delegates chose Madison, Wisconsin, as the national headquarters of NSA, and ratified a "Student Bill of Rights."

This statement of principle stresses the inherent right of teachers to speak "as citizens," and be free of institutional censorship or discipline.

The panel on student government, of which Fulmer was a member, pointed out that the

"teacher is entitled to freedom in his classroom in discussing his subject," and must be insured the right to join any political, religious or social clubs, groups or organizations "not illegal under the civil statutes."

Miss Fouracre was a member of the panel on educational opportunity which drew up a policy for NSA to work for the "eventual elimination of all forms of discriminatory educational systems" and encourage "wide investigation and discussion" of the problems of racial barriers and white-Negro segregation in the classrooms of America.

Affiliation with the International Union of Students on a provisional basis was approved by the third main panel on international activities.

Official membership of the NSA in the world student union however, can not be accomplished until approved at the full NSA congress next summer, and ratified by a majority of the member colleges.

A condition of the proposed affiliation also includes the provision that "no decision of the IU which may be specifically repudiated by the NSA shall bind or shall be published as representing the opinions of American students."

Ostar, who was a member of this panel, was elected chairman of the sub-panel on publication of international activities.

Troxell was elected by members of the Pennsylvania region to represent them on the constitutional committee which drew up the constitution for adoption by the main body.

HERE HE IS!

IN PERSON

CHARLIE BARNET

AND HIS FAMOUS ORCHESTRA

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THE BIGGEST WEEKEND of the YEAR !!

JUNIOR PROM — FALL HOUSEPARTY

FEATURING

CHARLIE BARNET and HIS FAMOUS ORCHESTRA

Saturday, Oct. 25, 1947

• **VARSIITY FOOTBALL**
UNIVERSITY OF WEST VIRGINIA vs. PENN STATE

• **VARSIITY SOCCER**
NAVY vs. PENN STATE

• **Varsity Cross Country**
CORNELL vs. PENN STATE

• **FRATERNITY DANCES**

Friday, Oct. 24, 1947

• **JUNIOR PROM**

• RECREATION HALL—9 P. M. TO 1 A. M.

• SEMI-FORMAL—\$4.00 PER COUPLE

• TICKETS ON SALE FRIDAY, OCTOBER 24, AT A.A. TICKET WINDOW