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Cabinet to Give Jackets To Swedish Gym Team

The Swedish gymnasts, performing on campus Jan. 15, will be presented with blue and white jackets as remembrances of the University, All-University Cabinet decided last night.

Hugh Cline, chairman of the Cabinet committee working with Eugene Wettstone, associate professor of physical education, on selecting a gift and composing a guest list of student government leaders to attend a reception for the gymnasts, showed Cabinet three jackets.

Choir Now Represented On Board

Chapel Choir was admitted to the Board of Dramatics and Forensics recently in an effort to increase the number of students represented through the board and to head off the possibility of the board's losing its seat on All-University Cabinet.

Several weeks ago Benjamin Sinclair, board president, told a Daily Collegian reporter he was going to propose the amendment to admit the choir. He said he was afraid that the board would be the first organization cut out during the revision of the All-University Constitution now in progress if any organizations were dropped from Cabinet. Sinclair represents the board on Cabinet.

Chapel Choir is the eighth member of the board. Three other members are the men's and women's debate teams, Radio Guild, Thespians, Players, Glee Club, and Blue Band.

Two other constitutional amendments were also approved by the board. The first calls for board members to consult the organizations they represent before board officer elections and to vote according to the groups' instructions. The idea of having members of the eight groups vote directly for board officers also was considered, but it was deemed unfeasible because of the great inequality in size.

Before new members are added to the women's debate team in the fall, for example, the team might consist of only 15 women, while Blue Band has approximately 100 men members.

The second amendment raised the majority required for a constitutional amendment from four-sevenths to two-thirds of the total membership.

No Winter 'Terrors' Expected Tomorrow

No heavy snow, aside from a few snow flurries today, or other wintery "terrors" have been forecast through at least tomorrow by the University weather station.

Today will be mostly cloudy with a high of around freezing, compared with yesterday's 39, but the mercury will rise again into the high 30's tomorrow, the weather station said.

Low tonight, as last night, will be a little below freezing, according to the weather station.

The jacket selected can be used as a gymnast's warm-up jacket. It will be white trimmed in blue with a seal of the University. Around the seal will be written, "Sweden at Penn State—1954." Cabinet allocated \$123.50 to the committee to buy the light-weight jackets for the 26 gymnasts.

Cline said when the gymnasts return to their country the jackets will be seen throughout many cities since the team members live in different areas.

Other Jackets Shown

Two other jackets were shown to Cabinet by Cline. Both jackets were more expensive than the one Cabinet selected.

Cabinet received a letter from Mary Jane Wyland, program coordinator and accounting executive director of the University Christian Association, suggesting that Cabinet purchase University calendars from the UCA for the Swedish gymnasts. Cabinet decided that the purchase of the jackets was a sufficient gift for the gymnasts.

UN Seminar Report

Mildred McCowan, president of the Women's Recreation Association, reported on the United Nations Student Seminar which she attended Dec. 2 to 5 as a Cabinet delegate.

She said that with the 24 other delegates she took a general tour of the UN building, and participated in informal discussions with members of the Division of Public Information at the UN, the Technical Assistance Administration in the Latin American program division, and the Public Affairs Division of the United States Embassy.

Visited USSR Mission

Miss McCowan visited the country missions of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics and Egypt. She said the trip was a valuable experience and suggested that Cabinet continue sending a delegate to the seminar.

Nittany, Pollock Men May Break Contract

Upperclassmen of third semester standing or higher who live in the Nittany or Pollock area may apply to be released from their housing and food service contracts.

Requests for release forms will be accepted until 5 p.m. Jan. 3 at the room assignment office, Kearns Hall, Nittany 20.

Annual Sing To Be Held At 8 Tonight

The all-University carol sing, which originated 28 years ago will be held at 8 tonight on the steps of Old Main.

Hummel Fishburn, head of the music department, will direct Christmas carol singing and Wilmer E. Kenworthy, director of student affairs, will deliver a brief Christmas message.

Chapel Choir, directed by Willa C. Taylor, will sing three selections: "Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence," French melody arranged by G. William Henninger; "Psalmite," Praetorius; and "Bring A Torch, Jeanette Isabella," French carol.

A brass ensemble under the direction of George Dunlop, Blue Band director, will open the program and the Rev. Luther H. Harshbarger, University Chaplain, will give the invocation and a prayer.

This year's carol sing, co-sponsored by the department of music and the University Christian Association, will last 35 minutes, Alexander Zerban, coordinator, said.

Rink Opening Is Postponed

Walter H. Wiegand, director of the physical plant, said yesterday there are a number of small details to be cleaned up before the skating rink can open.

The target date for the opening of the rink had been set for yesterday, but Wiegand said the opening was impossible because some work still had to be done. He did not elaborate.

No new opening date has been set, but Wiegand said yesterday he hoped it would be in the near future.

University officials are planning opening ceremonies for the rink, but no program has been set, pending announcement of the date the building can be released by physical plant.

The probable price list for skating has also been set. Prices for the afternoon period, from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. and the evening period, from 7:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. are as follows:

Students, 25 cents; faculty and staff, 50 cents; guests and others, 25 cents. The rental price for skates will be 50 cents.

Directories on Sale

Student directories and faculty directories are still on sale in the basement of Willard.

Student directories are 50 cents and faculty directories are 35 cents.

Physics Prof to Speak

Dr. Richard G. Stoner, associate professor of physics, will give a talk on "Shock Wave Interactions" at a fluid mechanics seminar at 4:10 p.m. tomorrow in 105 Mechanical Engineering.

Lutter Requests Cabinet Action On Grade System

By DON SHOEMAKER

Rudolph Lutter, fifth semester arts and letters major, last night suggested that All-University Cabinet take action on inequalities which he said exist in the grading system at the University.

As a result, he was appointed as a committee of one to look into the situation and to see what has been accomplished on the matter up to the present.

As an example of the inequalities which he said exist, Lutter asked Cabinet to consider a hypothetical comparison between the grades of two students at the University, both carrying 18 academic credits.

One student, Lutter said, might get 90's, or scant 3.0 grade averages in three three-credit courses, and 80's, or scant 2.0 grade averages in his other three three-credit courses.

The other student might get 89's, barely missing 3.0 grade averages, in each of his six three-credit courses.

The first student would receive 45 quality points under the present system, giving him an All-University average of 2.5 and dean's list rank. His numerical grade average would be 85.

The second student's 36 quality points would give him an All-University average of 2.0. His numerical grade average would be 89, higher than the student who made dean's list.

Lutter suggested two proposals as remedies for this situation.

1. Keeping separate the amount of work done and the quality of work done. This he said could be done by totaling the number of credits to determine whether a student had the required number necessary to graduate, and marking the quality of work on the same basis as it is now. This would necessitate setting up a dual-grade system, however, Lutter said.

2. Multiplying the numerical grade of each course by the number of course credits and dividing this total by the total number of credits carried by the student.

As an example, he cited the case of a student who got an 80 in a four credit course and a 70 in a two credit course.

In the four credit course he

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Applications Due For Junior Class Exec Committee

Applications for the newly-formed junior class executive committee are being accepted at the Student Union desk in Old Main today through the week after Christmas vacation, John Thalimer, class president, said at last night's class meeting. Interviews for the committee will be held two weeks after the Christmas recess.

The committee, which will be an advisory group to Thalimer, will be made up of one sorority and one Leonides member, two members each from fraternities and AIM, and two general representatives plus the class officers. The committee is expected to discuss the Cabinet report of the class president, and also to be helpful in obtaining the general opinion of the class without having to call a class meeting.

The class voted to recommend that Thalimer vote in favor of a Cabinet proposal that no invitation be extended to the national convention of the National Student Association. The big stumbling block in the proposed plan is that not enough people were available to work this summer on plans for making the convention a success, Thalimer said.

Eight people besides the class officers attended last night's meeting. There are approximately 2000 students in the junior class.

Pogal Names Constitution Committee

Gordon Pogal, Lion party clique chairman, yesterday released the names of the committee to revise the Lion party constitution.

They are June Koziar, Robert Spadaro, Carol Saperstein, Earl Seely, Carole Schwing, Vanessa Johnson, Robert Howe, Edward Long, and Pogal, who will act as chairman.

The committee must revise the constitution and report to the Senate Committee on Student Affairs subcommittee on organization control by Jan. 13.

At that time the subcommittee will review the new constitution and make a report to the student affairs committee if the constitution is acceptable.

Rae DelleDonne, State party clique chairman, was unavailable for comment yesterday. She said Monday that she hoped to appoint a committee to revise the State party constitution in the near future.

At the time she refused to give any further information, saying she felt the revisions were an internal party matter.

The Senate move to charter political parties came about when All-University Cabinet decided several weeks ago it did not have the power to do so.

The subcommittee on organization and control met last week to review the constitutions and made eight recommendations for their revision. Although the committee itself did not make a statement concerning the meeting, an unofficial source revealed that eight specific recommendations were made.

According to Ross B. Lehman, chairman of the subcommittee, no official statement can be made until the group makes its report to the Student Affairs committee.

Benjamin Sinclair, former Lion party clique head, in commenting on the recommendations yesterday, said he approved of the subcommittee's recommendations, but did not approve of the methods being used to force them on the parties.

Little Theater to Show Grad's Play Tonight

"The Last Day of Summer," an original three-act play by Bert States, graduate student in English, will be presented for the last time at 8 tonight in the Little Theater, basement of Old Main. Tickets are available at the dramatics department office, second floor of Schwab.

ONLY 2 MORE Shopping Days 'till Christmas in State College

Ike Hints at Military Cut

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15 (AP)—President Dwight D. Eisenhower spoke out emphatically today in favor of a big new military reserve program, declaring if this country is prepared to win a big war it certainly can win any little one which might flare up.

The President also hinted at a news conference that the broad strategy of his administration will vary strength. He neither con-call for further cuts in active military nor denied one report that the Army will be reduced by 100,000 men and the 1st Marine Division pulled out of Korea.

Eisenhower was assured and good-humored in his meeting with newsmen—one that covered a range of topics from taxes to flying saucers. He caused—and joined in—a roar of laughter when he said his press secretary, James C.

Hagerty has a perfect right to freedom of speech.

Hagerty said in a radio interview Monday night the Republican party would be "foolhardy" if it failed to renominate Eisenhower for the presidency. Beyond the half-humorous free speech remark, Eisenhower made no comment on his own second term views.

On other matters the President said:

1. He will ask Congress next month to put off for at least a year the \$3 billion dollar cut now scheduled for April 1 in corporation and excise taxes. The reason: An expected budget deficit. Taxes will have to be kept up, the President said, or the purchasing power of the dollar will go down. tion from Democrats in the new

2. He expects very real cooperation

Congress, which they'll control, on defense, foreign affairs and related matters. And he's told all Cabinet members to keep the appropriate congressional committees posted on their plans and proposals at every step.

3. By and large, he expects maximum cooperation from Republicans on his entire program—though there are differences of opinion, he said, on such things as tariff policy. This was one of the items explored in his Monday and Tuesday meetings with congressional leaders of both parties.

4. He regards Secretary of Labor Mitchell as his chief labor adviser, but he doesn't necessarily go along with any of his advisers in final decisions. Mitchell has urged repeal of state "right to work" laws, which ban such things as the union shop.