



Morgan Elected AIM President

John Morgan, junior in business administration from Gilberton, last night was elected president of the Association of Independent Men by a one-vote margin.

Morgan defeated Lawrence Kowalski, junior in arts and letters from Hazleton, 17-16.

The AIM Board of Governors also elected Bruce Pellnitz, junior in education from Nescopeck, vice president; Louis Wonderly, junior in business administration from Phoenixville, secretary; and Dean Frey, sophomore in mechanical engineering from York, treasurer.

Frey was elected treasurer, 18-15, over Harry Martini, junior in education from Honey Brook and former junior class president, after James Macinko, freshman in electrical engineering from Allentown, and Lynn Scheirer, junior in civil engineering from Reading, were eliminated due to lack of votes under the single elimination ballot system.

This system ensures election on the first ballot by distributing

the votes of the lowest candidate among the remaining ones.

The offices of vice president and secretary were uncontested. The retiring AIM officers are Lash Howes, president; Robert Seiler, vice president; John Rhodes, secretary; and Norman Hedding, treasurer.

The new officers were sworn in following the election by Wil-

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John Morgan
New AIM President

Senate to Hear Exemption Plan

A recommendation to allow students of high standing in individual courses to be exempt from taking final examinations will be presented before the University Senate this afternoon.

The recommendation was presented at the March meeting by Dr. Wallace E. White, professor of wood technology, but discussion was postponed because of lack of time.

Eisenhower Blasts Resignation Rumors

WASHINGTON, April 3 (AP)—President Dwight D. Eisenhower dismissed today, as "the worst rot that I have heard," recurrent reports that he intends to step out and turn his job over to Vice President Richard M. Nixon.

Eisenhower talked at his news conference like a man planning ahead for this second term—to the point of saying

he certainly hopes that somewhere along the line there can be a general tax cut.

He said he would like to see taxes slashed next year "but I am not even trying to be that specific."

Once he asked newsmen to put in "a plug for the Red Cross" and its lagging drive for funds.

The first question at the conference was a request for Eisenhower's views on his fast, over-the-speed-limits trip to his Gettysburg, Pa., farm last Friday.

He knew it was coming. And he smiled amiably and said he didn't mind talking about it.

He said he was engaged in a back seat conference, as has been his practice for years, and had no idea of the speed his car was traveling with a Secret Service agent at the wheel. But because of the stories that were printed over the weekend, about his pace of up to 75 miles an hour on highways limited to 50 and 55, the President said that "I have issued orders that we will be particularly careful never to exceed the speed limit at any place."

From there the questioning jumped around to a wide range of subjects, with considerable emphasis on denials.

Eisenhower denied that he had given Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek assurances that the United States would help defend Quemoy and Matsu, off the Chinese main-

land, from attacks by Chinese Reds.

He denied that he had invited Anthony Eden, British Prime Minister at the time and Premier Guy Mollet of France to the White House last November to announce a cease fire in the invasion of Egypt. There have been reports that Eisenhower extended such an invitation and then withdrew it.

He denied that Adm. Arthur W. Radford, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, has recommended in so many words the reinforcement of United Nations forces in South Korea with newer jet planes and other modern weapons because of a Communist build-up in North Korea.

Eisenhower said, too, there has been no basic change in America's policy of aiding Poland and "encouraging this growing independence of Moscow."

Cabinet Meeting Tonight Cancelled by Steele

All-University President Robert Steele has cancelled tonight's meeting of All-University Cabinet. Steele said several Cabinet members plan to attend the Interfraternity-Panhellenic banquet tonight. He said Cabinet would not have sufficient business to hold a meeting with so many regular members absent.

The proposal, if approved, would amend Senate rule 0-2 in the 1956-57 edition of the Senate Regulations for Undergraduate Students.

This rule, permissive but not mandatory, now reads: "No student shall be exempt from a final examination except by approval of the head of the department and the dean of the college in which the course is offered."

The proposed reading of this rule as amended follows:

"Any student with a 'B' or better average in a course may be exempt from the final examination in that course upon recommendation of the instructor."

Dr. White's reasons for the change are the following:

- The exemption of good students from a final exam is a reward for good performance and is more meaningful than the dubious prospect of making a dean's list, graduation with honor or better job opportunities.

- It does not deny the borderline student who desires an "A" instead of a "B" the right to try for the higher grade.

- More bluebooks and quizzes throughout the entire semester would be encouraged, thus furnishing the instructor a broader base upon which the student's knowledge and ability to handle the course material may be determined.

- Course material would be reviewed and integrated before the close of regular classes—something which is needed by poorer students.

- Students will often have an opportunity to make better grades in a situation whereby several exams are scheduled within a short period of time.

- It would raise the morale of students and would increase student interest in daily classroom preparation.

- The work of the instructors will be more rewarding and stimulating as increased eagerness for learning may develop within the students.

- The work involved during the exam period will be lessened, thus more time will be available to do a better job of grading the exams that are taken.

- The scheduling of exams will be easier since fewer students will be taking them.

- Proctoring of the exams will be easier.

- At other universities where the system is in use the results have been excellent.

Cool Weather, Rain Forecast

The Meteorology Department today issued a forecast for rain and cool temperatures for tomorrow.

The Nittany Lion has now assumed such importance in the University Weather Station that he can leave the actual predicting to his underlings.

In a meeting of the newly-formed Board of Forecasting Control, the Lion explained that he had planned to get in some tennis this week, and that something should be done immediately about improving the prevailing weather conditions.

Today's forecast calls for rain, ending tomorrow night. High should be between 42 and 46 degrees.



Senior Gift Idea Boxes Ready Soon

Suggestion boxes for the Senior class gift will be placed in Grange, Simmons and McElwain dormitories, at the Hetzel Union desk, Waring desk, the Corner Room and in the Library Monday and will remain until noon Saturday.

Suggestions for a gift to benefit the entire student body may be made by all students. Voting is not restricted to seniors.

Discussed by Class Board

The Senior Class Advisory Board discussed last night the suggestions made by January graduates. Two suggestions have been chosen as being the best. They are:

- Donation of the class gift money for the completion of the Helen Eakin Eisenhower Memorial Chapel.

- Foundation of a scholarship for students based primarily on need and not on scholarship.

Approximately \$10,000 from student fees is available for the gift.

The Advisory Board will select six suggestions from the total submitted next week. These will be placed on a ballot given to seniors when they obtain their LaVie.

Random Poll Planned

The board also discussed the possibility of combining Baccalaureate and Senior Class Night into a single senior convocation. The most important and appropriate parts of each would be used, according to Joseph Hartnett, senior class president. The board will take a random poll this week to determine student reaction to the combination suggestion.

The senior convocation would be held the Friday night preceding graduation. Class night was originally held at that time, but Hartnett said that attendance at Class Night has been insignificant recently in relation to the size of the class.

Junior Named LaVie Editor

George Shambaugh, junior in journalism from Harrisburg, has been named 1957-58 LaVie editor.

Other senior board promotions include:

Leslie Phillabaum, managing editor; Mary Steranchak, art editor; William Kearns, scheduling editor; Maureen Funk, copy editor.

Jack Halpern, sports editor; Mary Mertz, sorority editor; Robert Yeager, fraternity editor; Lynn Glassburn and Margaret King, co-activities editors; Ann Francis and Joanne Adair, co-senior editors; Patricia Miernicki, organization editor.

Roy Vollmer, Betsy Hoekstra and Mary Ann Raup have been promoted to junior board art staff.

Tapping Cards Available For 3 Hat Societies

Fourth- and fifth-semester men may fill out tapping cards for Androcles and Blue Key hat societies until 5 p.m. next Wednesday at the Hetzel Union desk.

Second- and third-semester men may fill out tapping cards for Delphi hat society until 5 p.m. April 17.

Student Council Voting Reported Light

Voting was reported as light to, medium yesterday in elections for seats on seven of the nine college student councils.

The elections will continue today in all colleges except Home Economics, which completed its elections yesterday. The Agriculture and Physical Education Student Council members are not chosen at these elections.

The polling places and the hours they will be open are:

BusAd	8-5	HUB cardroom
		Sparks
Chem-Phys	8-5	Osmond
Ed	8-5	Schwab
Eng	8-5	Eng B
LA	8-5	HUB desk
MI	9-5	MI

Only the Chemistry and Physics Student Council elections officials reported a "larger than usual" vote. The balloting for the Business Administration Student Council was reported "fair to adequate."

Students must present a matriculation card to vote in most of the elections.

Home Economics Results
Eleven students were elected to positions on the Home Economics Student Council in elections which ended yesterday. Fifty-one per cent of the students in the College of Home Economics voted.
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TWO STATE COLLEGE YOUTHS stop at the Education Student Council poll in front of Schwab Auditorium yesterday to see about voting. Carol Jones, a junior from Springfield, explained to the youngsters that they couldn't vote.