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## Maneuvering for Money

Sen. Jo Hays (D.-Centre-Clearfield) has again showed his awareness of the problems facing the University.

Hays has asked the state Senate to appropriate the University \$35,129,000 million for the next two years. This is \$7,416,000 million higher than the \$27.7 million recommended by Gov. George M. Leader Feb. 5 in his budget message.

Hays' bill is the second University appropriation measure before the General Assembly—and both are higher than that budgeted by Leader. The other bill was introduced April 8 by Chairman Norman Wood (R.-Lancaster) of the House Appropriations Committee. It is for \$33,849,000 and is co-sponsored by Rep. H. G. Andrews (D.-Cambria), giving it bipartisan support.

Although both bills are higher than the amount budgeted by Leader, they fall short of the amount the University sought Leader to include in his budget. That was something like \$38.5 million.

Recapping, the fuzzy picture of the University's maneuvering for its appropriation falls together something like this:

President Eric A. Walker last fall reportedly asked Leader for the \$38.5-million figure. This undoubtedly surprised Leader to say the least, especially when one considers the University is now operating on a \$25 million appropriation.

Leader then told Dr. Walker that such funds were just not available. He admitted that he wanted to go to the General Assembly with a "tight budget" (it's "tight" but still the largest in the state's history at \$2 billion-plus) to avoid a "fight" with the Republican-controlled Legislature.

Leader told Dr. Walker that he would have to recommend a flat 10 per cent increase over the current appropriation—or the \$27.7-million figure. However, Leader gave Dr. Walker the go-ahead to ask the Republican-controlled Legislature to raise the appropriation.

Then Dr. Walker appeared before a joint Senate-House Appropriations Committee April

2 in Harrisburg. At the hearing, Walker asked that the \$27.7 figure be raised at least to \$35,129,000, the size of the Hays bill.

Dr. Walker apparently convinced the committee that the \$27.7 figure was "far short" of the University's minimum obligations. He was armed with data showing the low salaries of faculty members in comparison with other land-grant institutions.

The committee then told Dr. Walker that it may not be possible to appropriate the \$35-million figure and asked where he thought it best could be cut.

Dr. Walker reportedly told them that it was in the new projects—totalling \$1,280,000. Well, this is what Wood did when he introduced his measure in the House—cut the \$1,280,000, knocking it down to \$33,849,000.

Then, in essence, the Hays bill just restores the \$1,280,000 cut from the Legislative request by Dr. Walker.

Just what will happen next to complicate the picture more no one knows. At the present, anyhow, the University is winning its struggle for more funds since both bills pending in the General Assembly are higher than the \$27.7-million "disaster" figure recommended by Leader.

If the General Assembly passes one of the two bills, the University still has another obstacle to pass—Leader's veto.

Leader has shown his position on appropriations—if the General Assembly provides the funds to grant the appropriations, he will generally approve them. If not, he will probably cut them to try to meet a balanced budget.

Then the University's hopes of getting an increased appropriation signed by Leader not only depends on approval by the Assembly of the appropriation but the providing the funds to go along with it.

That's the picture: The University is winning up to date but has a good many obstacles yet to overcome.

—Ed Dubbs

## Gazette

Today  
FROTH ADVERTISING STAFF, 7 p.m., Froth Office  
WRA CLUB ACTIVITIES BOARD MEETING, 12:30 a.m., 103 White Hall  
WRA GOLF CLUB, 3-5 p.m., Caddy House

WSGA JUDICIAL BOARD, 5 p.m., 203 HUB University Hospital  
George Goldstein, Robert Jaecques, Mikaa Mechlowitz, Alan Vivian.

### Washington Beat

# Strife, Troubles Aren't New In Jordan's Long History

WASHINGTON, April 24 (AP)—This isn't the first time problems have come to the land of Jordan.

Today there are strikes and political strife, another big mess of troubles for a country where history got a head start.

As long ago as 6000 B.C. man was trying to use water from the River Jordan for irrigation. He still is.

Moses passed this way, leading the children of Israel toward the Promised Land. In biblical history Gilead, Ammon, Moah and Edom roughly made up what now is Jordan. Ruth, Elijah and Elisha were natives.

Jericho is in Jordan. So is Jerusalem. So is Bethlehem.

Each civilization—Greek, Roman, Crusader, Turk—has been attracted to this strange country with the deepest inland depression on earth, the Jordan Valley and the Dead Sea.

In some spots the narrow Jordan Valley is 2000 feet below the surrounding countryside.

The Dead Sea is 1286 feet below the Mediterranean.

Jordan means "descender" or "downcomer," appropriate for a

river that drops so far. The Romans called it the Dead Sea because neither plant nor animal can live in its mineral-filled waters. The Jews called it the Salt Sea.

Modern Jordan got its start as Transjordan in 1921, placed under British mandate by the League of Nations. Twenty-five years later it became, to give it its full title, the Nashemite Kingdom of Jordan.

The Royal Hashemite House had little truck with another Arab group that's been in the news lately. Old King Abdullah of Jordan disliked old King Ibn Saud of Saudi Arabia. This lack of affection was royally returned.

The Arabs have a proverb: "I and my cousins against the world; I and my brothers against my cousins."

Jordan is about the size of Indiana, but there the resemblance stops. Indiana has 4,520,000 pigs. Jordan has only 37. But let's be fair about this. Jordan has 13,805 camels. What do you say to that, Indiana?

Of the 1,440,000 persons in Jordan, more than a third are Arab refugees from Palestine, living, unhappily and unhelpfully, on relief.

Amman is one of the world's

fastest growing capitals, going from 30,000 to 175,000 in seven years. With this population growth has come some of the wonders of modern civilization. Amman now has six movies, including a drive-in.

But the desert country still has its nomads with their camels. They're wanderers by necessity, packing their tents—one tribe, the Bani Sakrr, has 6000—as they move in search of food for their livestock.

When young King Hussein married his cousin, Princess Dina, he merely was observing an old tribal custom.

A researcher who spent considerable time with Jordan nomads, studying their customs and love-life, found the wife usually moved in with her husband's folks.

The most desirable marriage, as Hussein showed, is one with a first cousin. The next most desirable is one with someone of a different tribe from the same village. The least desirable is a girl from another village.

But sometimes a wily Arab deliberately chooses the third course and for a reason many a Western mind can comprehend.

It helps solve the mother-in-law problem.

### Outside Jobs Available

Openings are available for students interested in outside jobs such as garden and lawn work, window washing, removing storm windows and putting in screens.

Persons interested should apply at the Student Employment Service, 112 Old Main.

### Hollander to Head CPA

Thomas Hollander, junior in arts and letters from Monessen, has been named director of Central Promotion Agency.

William Meckling, junior in business administration from Philadelphia, has been named business manager.

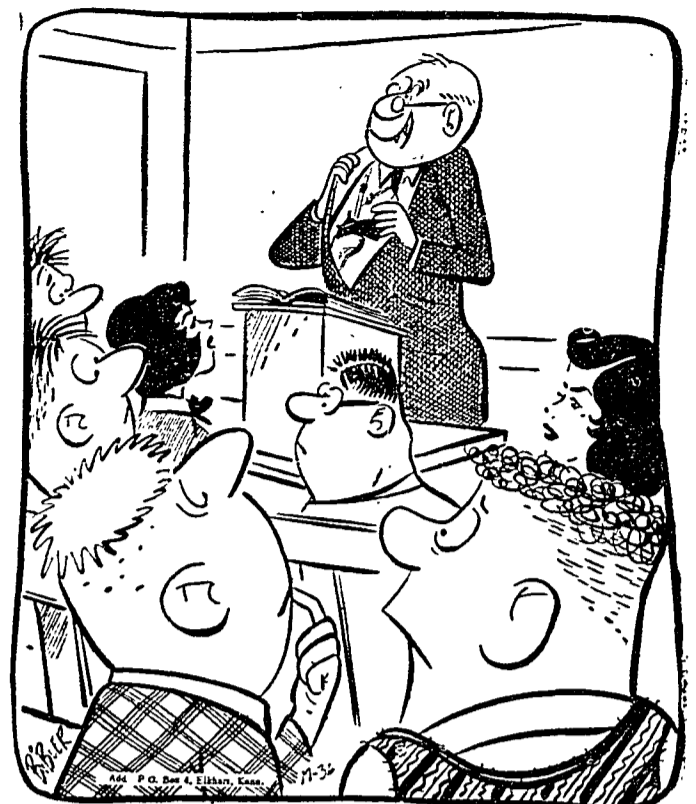
### Sr. Class Board Blanks

Application blanks for next year's Senior Class Advisory Board are now available at the Hetzel Union desk.

Thomas Hollander, class president, has urged all juniors to submit applications.

## Little Man on Campus

by Bibler



"I've waited five years for someone to ask me that question."

### 'Round the Rim

# With Swan Songs—Gargoyles 'n' Profs

By BECKY ZAHM

The time is drawing close for the old senior board to be put out to pasture and this column is ready to sing its swan song. After April 29 most of us will join the ranks of the "has beens." (Compliments of former IFC prexy Danny Land, who is at present a "has been.")

Writing a column is one of the most rewarding and interesting jobs on the paper. It offers the opportunity to wade through an abundance of reading in order to separate some column-type grain. Occasionally, the pickings are poor, but generally they are profitable.

For example, an interesting item on professors turned up in the Monsanto Chemical Company's house publication.

According to the Monsanto publication, professors haven't been left in the dust in this current jazz age. A learned sextet of professors at Northwestern University have formed a combo called the "Academic Cats," and a Lafayette, Ind. (home of Purdue) octet, the "Crusty Crumbs," boasts five doctors among its membership.

Another amusing incident turned up in the Ohio State Lantern column. The columnist reports an incident at the University of Michigan concerning the campus humor magazine, the Gargoyle, and the Gargmobile, the Gargoyle circulation manager's pet name for his automobile. It seemed that someone absconded with the Gargmobile full of Gargoyles. Some Universities have all the luck.

The Ivy League also made the news when a Yale freshman attempted to win a Harvard election. The freshman, disguised as a famous socialite and diplomat named Lamont DuPont, almost duped the Harvard undergrads into electing him chairman of their freshman Jubilee Weekend Committee.

Backers of DuPont supposedly "notified" him of his nomination at the Government House in Jamaica, where he was enjoying a brief vacation. He then "flew" to Boston where he actually stepped off a plane at the Logan International Airport, attired in morning suit, top hat and carrying a cane. He was met by his accomplices in a new Cadillac limousine.

They then obtained permission to use the steps of the library for a ceremony, cajoled the fire department into running a siren as the limousine passed, coerced the campus cops into giving them permission to drive the car through the gates and arranged for a motorcycle escort plus bodyguards.

The outcome of this extravaganza was that the fictitious La-

mont DuPont won the election, but was disqualified. Another of his opponents, a fictitious Oliver A. Yabook who accused DuPont of being in reality Robert Hathaway, a freshman at Yale, came in second. He also was disqualified, but as consolation both were named honorary members of the committee.

DuPont, by the way, ran under the slogan, "Vote for Lamont DuPont, he owns us all anyway."

Which brings to mind a clever story containing a classic remark. Two characters were conversing and the one was taking a terrific browbeating from the other. Finally having taken all he could take, the first muttered, "OK, OK, just stop the world and I'll get off."

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## Selective Service Forms Available

Applications for the special Selective Service College Qualification test, for students who were unable to take the regularly scheduled tests, are now available in the dean of men's office.

The applications must be postmarked no later than May 6.

The special tests will be given on May 16. Lt. Gen. Lewis B. Hershey, director of Selective Service, said the tests will be given to students who did not take them on Nov. 15 or April 18 because of reasons beyond their control.

## Outing Club to Sponsor Canoeing, Hiking Trip

The Outing Club will sponsor a canoeing and hiking trip to Ricketts Glen State Park Sunday.

Persons interested in attending will meet behind Old Main at 7 a.m. Sunday. The group will return by 9 p.m.

The cost will be about \$2, including insurance and food.

## Tonight on WDFM

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