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## Student AM Station: How to Finance It

A student press fund, accumulated several years ago through four senior class gifts, may be the solution to the main drawback of a new student AM radio station—money.

All-University Cabinet will hear a recommendation tonight to seek reallocation of this \$28,000 fund in order to finance a non-commercial radio station.

The cost of such a station has been estimated at the most, \$30,000. The press fund would be a logical source since it is unlikely that the Board of Trustees would approve use of student fees or state appropriations for the station.

To use the money for a broadcast station, a poll would have to be made of the contributing classes, and then, if a majority of those who reply say "yes," the reallocation would be subject to the approval of the Board of Trustees.

In 1948, when the fund was begun, the selling point was: "Save money for student publications!" At that time, apparently little thought was given to the enormous cost of setting up a printing plant and the problems its operation would involve.

The press fund has been lying dormant since the first gift because the cost of a worthwhile press would be in the neighborhood of \$100,000 to \$150,000. Even if a press were established, problems would arise in maintenance and personnel, especially during the summer months and vacations. Moreover, it is doubtful whether a press would be able to print The Daily Collegian and LaVie, the publications of the greatest cost and which would profit most in savings.

In the future, a press may be feasible if the money is available and the problems can be solved.

The class of 1951, though surrounded by cries for a student press, thought a radio station important enough to give \$7000 to start station WDFM.

Now, since an AM frequency is known to be available, the University has the opportunity to apply for an AM license from the Federal Communications Commission.

The advantages of this station would be numerous. It would serve as an immediate link among 13,000 students, it would generally stimulate student interest in campus affairs by publicizing activities and events and it would attract more students who intend to make radio and television a career. By becoming a center of activity and an outlet for student talent, it would also strengthen the journalism, speech, drama and music curriculums.

WDFM now is speaking into an almost "dead mike." Instead of students, its audience is made up chiefly of townspeople. Penn State is one of the few colleges and universities in the country without a strong student station.

The question is: Would four classes, who visualized a printing plant for the University, reconsider the designation and would the Board of Trustees approve the change?

In view of the situation, we feel sure that if the members of the classes of '48, '49, '50 and '52 had their choice between a student press and a student station today they would select the radio station.

The Daily Collegian joins with the staff of WDFM in support of a reallocation that may, in time, place a "live" student station on all campus radio dials.

—The Senior Board

## Little Man on Campus

by Bibler



"But Hortense, are you sure this is what Worthal meant when he said, 'meet me at the chapel?'"

### Interpreting the News

# Ike's Neutral Zone Tied With Germany

By J. M. ROBERTS  
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President Dwight D. Eisenhower's reference yesterday to the possibility of a neutralized zone in Europe is tied directly to the question of German reunification, whether or not he intended it that way.

At two points during his news conference the President was asked about different angles of proposals made during the current disarmament discussions in London.

Discussing the limited Russian acceptance of the principle of his two-year-old "open skies" proposal, he said it was being considered very carefully, and that any agreement might lead to something better.

Regarding last year's proposal by Anthony Eden for a neutralized zone in Europe, he said test arrangements along such lines might also produce something and would be considered sympathetically.

The President's idea is that if agreements in limited areas can be enforced, then it will be possible to broaden the areas and end the arms race.

Russia has already made the neutralization of Austria a peg for proposals to extend a neutralized zone from the Adriatic to the Baltic. But Russia wants to include a Germany reunified by means which would give the Communists a chance to take over the whole country.

She also wants a troop withdrawal arrangement which would remove British and American forces from the Continent, while Russian forces would remain in easy striking distance of Western centers.

Chancellor Konrad Adenauer of West Germany, already embarrassed by Britain's decision to reduce her forces in Germany while he is fighting for rearmament, will not be helped politically by the neutralization talk.

Russia wants negotiated reunification which would produce a coalition of East Germany's Communist leaders with Western democratic leaders, the type of coalition which the Communists have always been able to take over in the long run.

Many Germans just want reunification, on almost any terms. Adenauer's Socialist opponents are against rearmament anyway, and that fits into Russian agitation for a neutralized Germany.

In the long run, disarmament in Europe or anywhere else will depend upon solution of the German problem.

### Tonight on WDFM

6:50	Sign On
6:55	News
7:00	"A" Train
7:05	Sports
8:00	As You Believe
8:15	BBC Weekly
8:30	Jazz Panorama
8:40	News
9:15	Special Events
10:00	Chamber Concert
11:30	News: Sign Off

## Other Comment: Leader's College Plan

(Below is reprinted other editorial opinions on Leader's higher education program. The Daily Collegian's lead editorial yesterday supported the plan, saying it has "merit.")

**HARRISBURG EVENING NEWS:** Governor Leader has presented to the Legislature what he calls "one of the most forward-looking programs of education opportunity for college students of any state in the Union."

The Governor's proposals—for award of 5000 scholarships a year, for an educational loan fund, for a program of state aid to encourage local school districts to establish junior colleges—are indeed forward-looking and, in our view, necessary.

**JOHNSTOWN TRIBUNE-DEMOCRAT:** Finances do, to be sure keep some students out of college who ought to be there. But we very much doubt that this plan, which the Governor says would benefit directly or indirectly some 50,000 students from this State in each academic year, will solve the problem of higher education. There are some problems that can't be solved by just passing a new tax (the plan would be financed by a one-cent soft drink tax).

**THE READING TIMES:** The General Assembly will do well to have a close look at the Governor's ideas. They have great merit.

**THE PITTSBURGH POST-GAZETTE:** It (a

satisfactory junior college program) would be a fine step forward in education in Pennsylvania.

**THE PHILADELPHIA BULLETIN:** The Governor's eye-catching idea ignores recent Pennsylvania budget history. This could be summarized as mushrooming growth of aid to education, followed by desperate scurrying for taxes to support it. Pennsylvanians will want to consider carefully before they get in still deeper, worthy though the goal may seem to be.

**THE PHILADELPHIA DAILY NEWS:** Governor Leader's plan . . . would be financed by a penny-a-bottle tax on soft drinks. Or by other means. Seems fair enough to us. The way the kids nowadays are drinking pop, they'd come pretty close to working their own way through college. We hope the Legislature gives careful consideration to Governor Leader's ideas and tosses partisan politics out the window along with pop bottle caps.

## Gazette

Today  
ALPHA TAU ALPHA, 7:30 p.m., Alpha Zeta Fraternity  
BOOK EXCHANGE CANDIDATES, 8 p.m., 214, 215, 216  
Hetzl Union  
University Hospital  
Maurice Balling, Stanley Burd, John Damian, Roger Kerlin, Robert Meyers, Carolyn Quarles, Whitten Richman, Doris Seiler, Clemens Schonebeck, Ira Starer, John Sweetney, Donald Thompson, James Robinson.

### Ed Prof Accepts Fulbright Position

Dr. James Gemmell, professor of education, has been granted a one-year leave of absence to accept an assignment as a Fulbright lecturer in Finland.

He will lecture at the Helsinki School of Economics and the Swedish School of Economics, both in Helsingfors, Finland.

The U.S. State Department, in announcing the grant, said it was one of approximately 400 to be awarded for lecturing and research abroad during the academic year 1957-58.

### History Prof Will Attend Russian Studies Meeting

Dr. Edward C. Thaden, assistant professor of history, will represent the University as chairman of the Russian area program of the conference on undergraduate area studies tomorrow and Saturday at Macalester College, St. Paul, Minn.

### Tribunal Applications

Application blanks for Tribunal are now available in the dean of men's office.

Fourth- and fifth-semester students may apply. Applications are due by noon Saturday.

### Marketing Group Elects President

George Hawk, junior in business administration from Springdale, has been elected president of the Marketing Club.

Other officers are Richard Lindfors, junior from Hathoro, vice president; Elaine Koncosol, junior from North Braddock, secretary; and Jacob Maimone, junior from Nu Mine, treasurer.

Nancy Lederer, junior from Longport, N.J., has been appointed editor of the Mark-Edits, the club's newsletter.

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