



LaVan to Ask Cabinet To Void Lion Election

By PAT EVANS

Byron LaVan, former Lion Party clique chairman, has been granted permission to appear before All-University Cabinet tomorrow to contest the party's clique officer elections held Sunday night.

In the latest repercussions from the politicians' battle

Frosh Rush Privileges Suspended

The Interfraternity Council Board of Control last night suspended the pledging and rushing privileges of a freshman found drinking at fraternity houses.

Richard Shillinger, board of control chairman, said the student was apprehended last week by State College police when he and a companion were found with a bicycle they had stolen.

Both said they had visited several fraternities and had consumed an undesignated amount of beer.

Freshman Suspended

The dean of men's office suspended one and placed the other on disciplinary probation, both on charges of drinking and the taking of a bicycle belonging to a borough resident.

The students were also charged with disorderly conduct by the State College police.

One of the students had appeared before a disciplinary committee prior to this incident, when he was given a deferred suspension. When a student is given a deferred suspension, he may be suspended directly by the office of the dean of men in case of further disciplinary violations.

Cannot Return

The student will not be able to return to the University next semester. For this reason he was not questioned by the board of control, Shillinger said.

He said the board of control sentence against the other freshman was made in accordance with a proclamation made last year by Daniel Land, then IFC president, that any freshman falsifying his University status or age in order to drink at a fraternity would have all pledging and rushing privileges suspended for one academic year.

The student declined to reveal the names of the fraternities that served him.

over the elections, LaVan appeared yesterday before the Cabinet Executive Committee to request that he be allowed to take his case to Cabinet.

He will ask Cabinet to declare the election null and void.

In the election William O'Neill, freshman in psychology from Downingtown, defeated Fred Ochroch, sophomore in business administration from Philadelphia, for the office of party clique chairman. Ochroch had been nominated by LaVan.

Lack Elections Group

Robert Steele, All-University President, said ordinarily the issue would be taken to All-University Elections Committee. But next year's committee members have not yet been chosen, and the only official member is Peter Fishburn, chairman.

If the elections are declared null and void by Cabinet, Steele said, they will be held again.

At the controversial meeting C'Neill's election brought storms of protest from LaVan and his supporters. After the vote had been announced, LaVan requested a standing vote, and then a recount of the ballots. His requests were denied.

To Make Changes

He will contest the election to Cabinet on the following charges:

● Paper ballots (notebook paper) were used.

● Improper conduct of the election.

● Improper counting of the persons in the room—they were counted by the election committee chairman after the election.

Fishburn said yesterday in his opinion the elections were conducted fairly. "I did the best I could with the facilities I had at the time," he said.

But Ochroch said "I'm positive I had more votes than the other faction. If the election is held over I'm pretty sure I will win."

O'Neill Slams LaVan

O'Neill had this to say: "LaVan's actions are a disgrace to the party." O'Neill called the elections "more than fair."

LaVan said he counted 174 persons at the meeting before the vote was taken. The ballots totalled 198.

Godayte said Fishburn handled the ballots, and there was "nothing at all illegal about the election." (Continued on page eight)

\$27.7 Budget Gets Committee's OK

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The General Assembly's Joint Appropriations Committee yesterday officially recommended the \$27.7 million "disaster budget" for the University a day earlier than expected.

The exact figure of the powerful committee's recommendation is \$27,713,400, far below the \$35,129,000 President Eric A. Walker requested from the General Assembly.

When Dr. Walker requested his budget figure, he told the General Assembly that unless the full amount were approved, the University would be able to continue only its present programs.

Hot Off the Press!



LAVIE IS OUT—Janet Remaly, junior in arts and letters from Easton, and Thomas O'Hara, senior in hotel administration from State College, look over the 1957 LaVie, being distributed this week in the Hetzel Union cardroom.

Since the Republican leadership has insisted new taxes would be necessary to increase the budget, such increases seem remote in the GOP-controlled Assembly.

There are still two bills in the Assembly calling for higher budgets—one from Sen. Jo Hays (D.-Centre-Clearfield) for \$35,129,000 and one from Rep. Norman Wood (R.-Lancaster), chairman of the House Appropriation Committee, for \$33,849,000.

Amendment Expected

But the Associated Press yesterday said Wood's bill is expected to be amended to equal the \$27.7 million figure.

The \$27.7 million amount is the same one recommended by Gov. George M. Leader. It is a flat 10 per cent increase over the 1955-1956 budget of \$25.2 million.

The University's fight for larger budget increases began with Dr. Walker's request to Gov. Leader for \$3 million-plus. Gov. Leader told Dr. Walker he could recommend only \$27.7 million to the Assembly, but that Dr. Walker could appear before the Assembly to ask for more.

Goes Before Assembly

Dr. Walker, armed with statistics showing relatively low faculty salaries, went before the Assembly with a request of \$35 million-plus, lower than his request to the governor.

At that time it seemed as if the Assembly agreed with Dr. Walker that the \$27.7 million figure was too low, for Wood then proposed his bill calling for \$33,849,000.

But the GOP's increasingly active "cutting-knife" has sliced into the budget.

The GOP is chopping away at many budget requests in an attempt to balance the \$2 billion-plus state budget.

Steering Committee to Meet

The Lion party steering committee will meet at 7 p.m. tomorrow in 214 Hetzel Union.

AIM to Hear Proposal On Dorm Award

A plan to award a trophy to the outstanding male living unit on campus will be presented to the Association of Independent Men Board of Governors at 7 tonight in 203 Hetzel Union building.

The plan would go into effect next year. The program calls for the trophy, to be called the "AIM-Counselors Outstanding Living Unit Award," to go to the outstanding living unit, as determined by a point system, for one year.

Points would be awarded to the living units in five categories—scholarship, group activities, evaluation (to be done by unit counselors), individual activities, and penalties.

Five to Compose Committee The awarding of points would be done proportionately to the number of men living in each unit.

The award would be handled by a committee composed of three representatives of the board, two counselor coordinators, and a representative from the office of the dean of men.

The board has set up an extensive system for awarding the points, both for individual and group activities.

Based on One Semester

The only requirement for the awarding of individual points is residence in the unit to receive the points for the period of one semester. No points would be divided between units.

In other business, the board will consider a recommendation barring representatives with an All-University average below 2.00 from sitting on the board.

3 Senior Groups May Obtain LaVie

Seniors in the Colleges of Agriculture, Home Economics and Mineral Industries may obtain their copies of LaVie between 8 and 11:45 a.m. and 1 and 4:45 p.m. today in the Hetzel Union cardroom.

Seniors will also vote for one of five gift suggestions for the \$10,000 class gift and for students to receive senior honors.

Leader Terms Cuts In Budget 'Reckless'

HARRISBURG, May 21 (AP)—Gov. George M. Leader today described Republican budget cutting as "reckless surgery on the bone, muscle and sinew of needed state services."

He called Republican plans to slice \$94.5 million from his proposed \$1,559,000,000 general fund budget an "irresponsible action."

In a statement the governor cautioned Republicans that "the day of reckoning will come and the people of this Commonwealth will not forget the men of uneasy conscience who were responsible for this irresponsible action."

The Republican-controlled Joint Appropriations Committee showed exactly where the ax will fall.

Bills carrying out the recommendations will be submitted tomorrow.

A record \$1,107,000,000 general appropriations measure is also ready for consideration.

Chairman Norman Wood (R.-Lancaster) of the House Appropriations Committee defended the

GOP action in chopping \$27 million from the Welfare Department budget.

He said that even with lower appropriations the state's mental hospital system would be the "finest . . . anywhere."

The governor called the GOP budget slashes "The most shocking example I have ever seen of being penny-wise and people foolish."

"The budget I handed to the legislature had no fat in it. I had personally cut 175 millions from the request of the various departments, believing I had a duty to the taxpayers of this state to submit an honest recommendation of our minimum requirements," he declared.

Yale Prof to Speak At Baccalaureate

E. William Muehl, professor of practical theology at the Divinity School at Yale University, will give the major address, "The Paralyzing Ideal," at the Baccalaureate-Class Night at 7:30 p.m. June 7 in Schwab Auditorium.

The two ceremonies were combined this year "to increase attendance and to cut out the undesirable portions of class night," Joseph Hartnett, class president, said.

President Eric A. Walker will preside over the ceremonies which will include the salutatorian and valedictorian addresses, presentation of class honors and presentation of the class gift by Hartnett.

Muehl is the author of two books, Politics for Christians, published in 1956 and The Road to Persuasion, published in 1936 and has written numerous articles on Christianity and politics.

Muehl is a member of the Michigan State Bar Association, The American Arbitration Association and the Commission on Chris-

tian Faith and the Legal Profession of the United Student Christian Council.

Members of the Administrative Committee on student Affairs, the Presidential staff, the class officers, clergy and student participants in the program have been invited to march in the procession.

Luther H. Harshbarber, University chaplain, George E. Ceiga, University organist and the Chapel Choir will assist in the service.

The class honors to be presented to five men and six women will include two class donors, spoon man, barrel man, cane man, pipe orator, bow girl, slipper girl, fan girl, class poet and mirror girl.