



Prexy OK's All Efforts By LA to Hike Stature

By LARRY JACOBSON

Faculty members of the College of the Liberal Arts were told yesterday they would have the support of President Eric A. Walker in any effort to raise the stature of the college. Walker pledged his whole-hearted support during an address outlining the possible future responsibilities of the college.

"Of course," he said, "you will probably want to raise the standards of your college. You also might want to raise . . . the admission requirements . . . so that they are the most rigorous and demanding of any liberal arts college. I will give you my full support."

Walker also said he would back all attempts to raise the standing of the faculty: "I'll support distinction . . . to my limit." Promotions will be given on merit, not seniority, he added, so that faculty will have more stimulation to do their best.

While on the subject of motivation, Walker declared, "I'm going to do everything I can to raise salaries."

Walker also promised to give Liberal Arts faculty members more time for research, which, he said, at the present time isn't considered too important in the college. He said he was going to ask the state legislature to allot funds for liberal arts research, although he said the state probably wouldn't allocate more than a token sum to begin with.

The College of the Liberal Arts Student Council came in for special praise from President Eric A. Walker during his address yesterday. Walker said the council had done more than "any other student council" toward the raising of college academic standings.

Walker then turned to the graduate program, pledging cooperation on any attempt to raise and develop the program.

The discussion of possible future Liberal Arts College actions was prefaced by an outline of the role of a liberal arts education.

Faculty members were told that the role of the liberal arts college is becoming increasingly important in today's trends. Describing the paradox of change, Walker said that the advances in professionalism increase the needs for specialization, while the same complex situation also ups the need for a liberal education.

"We need both, and there isn't time to give a complete education in both fields," he said.

Thus, college must give the student "the tools to continue his liberal education after college, and also must give him the inspiration to continue this education," he said.

As a partial solution to this problem, Walker suggested the expansion of interdisciplinary courses, service courses and historical courses. Too many history courses don't touch on

Driver Skids Into 3 Signs

A University student "felt a slight bump" early yesterday morning while driving east of Fairmount Avenue and when the bump was investigated by police, it was discovered the driver had skidded into three signs.

Peter Magaro, sophomore in psychology from Hazleton, told police he was talking to a passenger when he felt the bump at 12:15 a.m. yesterday.

State College police said the car skidded about 20 feet, hitting a stop sign, street sign, and finally a parking sign before coming to rest against a tree at the intersection of Fairmount Avenue and Garner Street.

Damages were estimated at \$350 to the car and about \$50 to the signs. The driver was not injured.

'Mild Toxic Reaction' Hits Simmons Diners

A number of coeds were suffering yesterday from what Dr. Herbert R. Glenn, director of Health Service, terms "a mild toxic reaction" possibly caused by turkey served in the Simmons dining hall Wednesday night.

"We can't prove anything," Glenn said, "but we do suspect the turkey mix. We will never know for sure."

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To menny Ohio State Unavursitie students kant spel for nuthin, the Associated Press reports.

The hilarious—but somewhat dismaying—spelling foibles of today's college students have come to light in the latest issue of the Ohio State University Monthly. Sadly enuf (pardon, enough), spelling purists should know that many of the odd-ball spellings in the first paragraph were lifted from documents that the students themselves filled out.

The report on atrocious spelling was made by Dr. William T. Palchanis and Dr. William C. Stahl of the university medical staff. They went to the trouble of putting quotation marks around the misspelled words, but here are some excerpts from their report, minus the identifying marks just for fun:

"Students have reported on their medical histories such childhood illnesses as meesles, bronicle nomonia, hooping cough, rumatic feavor and diptherie. During their adolescence may be afflicted with asma, accute apendisidus (usually followed by an appendictmy), heart mummurs due to rhuematic fever, stummach truble and toncilitas."

Election Results: Page 2

The results of the Women's Student Government Association, Panhellenic Council, May Day and Women's Recreation Association elections yesterday appear on page 2 of today's edition of The Daily Collegian.

Ike Continues Economic Talks After Labor Exerts Pressure

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Eisenhower talked over the economic situation with his advisers again Thursday, after new pressure developed for tax cuts and heavier spending.

This pressure was brought by AFL-CIO leaders who reported they told Eisenhower the recession is growing worse, and to wait for improvement is not the cure.

The unionists said their White House visit was friendly, but there was no word of any new actions in the making.

In a major antirecession announcement, the Defense Department promised to raise to 10 billion dollars the amount of job-providing contracts it

Glenn said that by noon yesterday about 20 or 25 coeds had been to the dispensary and only one had been admitted to the infirmary.

However, yesterday morning housemothers in Hibbs and Stevens Halls said 50 to 75 per cent of the coeds were ill. Several hostesses were also said to be suffering from the alleged poisoning.

Glenn said there is "nothing to get alarmed about. These things will occur even with the precautions on this campus which are super."

But Robert C. Proffitt, manager of the food service, said the turkey was fresh and was bought from "the usual, reliable sources." None of the turkey remained on which to conduct a test, Proffitt said.

Proffitt said every step in the processing of the Wednesday night meal had been gone over, from beginning to end, and nothing could be found that was different from every other night, although it was impossible to be certain.

Cases of illness were also reported among coeds who had not eaten the turkey.

When questioned on several reported cases of fainting Glenn said he believed there "probably has been some fainting. It is caused by diarrhea."

Proffitt contended that it was not food poisoning because all the food service employes in the dining unit ate the same food as the students and none of them had reported being sick by 5 p.m. yesterday.

will place during the first six months of the year.

This is four billions more than were placed in the last six months of 1957.

An encouraging note was provided by the Federal Reserve Board in a report saying de-

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WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate last night rejected a proposal to cut personal income and federal excise taxes by about \$5,200,000,000.

partment store sales across the country last week were seven per cent higher than during the similar week of 1957.

Of the 12 Federal Reserve Districts only one — Kansas City — showed a decline and the drop there was only one per cent.

Still another bright note

Saulnier Estimates Severity of Slump In 'Lesser Family'

Raymond J. Saulnier, chairman of the economic advisers to the President, last night placed the present recession "in the family of lesser severity," but supported "loose money" as a present corrective measure.

Saulnier based his opinions on his belief that it is possible to predict end severity of a business cycle—such as the present one — by the seventh month of its downswing.

If "loose money" doesn't work, he said, the next step is taking federal works plans out of mothballs, being mindful, he added, of the danger of transferring to a "Public Works Administration kind of approach."

If that — the second line of defense — fails, Saulnier said, a choice is faced which offers either tax reduction or spending.

But spending, he said, produces things actually unneeded, and what's more, he said — "it just won't work."

Worse yet, he added, would be a tax reduction simultaneous with federal spending. Saulnier called spending a delayed action measure; that is, after tax reduction started the economy on the upswing, the results of spending would give the sudden push toward a "raging inflation."

"This is not a forecast," he said, but added slowly, "it could be."

Saulnier, in a question-and-answer period, denounced the suggestion for a "tax holiday" made by Walter Reuther, president of the United Auto Workers. He said he "would not like to be around when it ended," for then, he said, we "might have a very serious economic problem."

Saulnier emphatically made the point that increased defense spending in the Sputnik wake has "nothing to do with the economic recession."

This spending, he said, is determined by scientific and military minds, not by economists. It is not, he said, "a military W.P.A."

Saulnier attributed the lack of harmony on economic opinion in Washington to four factors — "imperfect communication of ideas," "a tendency toward hypochondria," "anxiety" and "impatience."

There is a danger, Saulnier said, in tax reduction once the upswing gets in. This is so, he said, because the advisers deciding whether or not to cut taxes will not know the nature of the upswing — whether it will be vigorous or slow.

If it is a vigorous one, he said, it will be because of an ascendancy of inventory over sales. A tax reduction then, he said, would be needless.

But a tax reduction would be "useful," he said, in a slow upswing, in order to "give it impetus."

Fraternities May Face Higher Tax

Fraternities face possible higher taxes in 1960 as a result of a county-wide property reassessment now underway.

The state requires the re-evaluation in a 1951 reassessment law. Edward R. Miller, county chief assessor, said the reassessment does not necessarily mean a tax hike. However, he said, practically all the fraternities as many other properties in the county are assessed far below their present value.

Miller said the reason for the re-evaluation was that the present system is unfair with some properties assessed higher than others in relation to the true value.

The first phase of the reassessment is a complete re-mapping of the county. The firm of Harris, Henry and Potter Engineers, of Doylestown, has set up offices at Kreider's Exchange to sort property deeds which have been microfilmed.

Miller said that when warmer weather arrives the entire county will be aerial photographed and then re-mapped. The project is expected to take about 18 months.

In about six months, Miller said, an assessing firm of Cole, Lyster and Trumbull, of Dayton, Ohio, will begin appraising each building in the county.

When the appraisals are completed, it will be up to the Tax Equalization Board, composed of the county commissioners, to set the tax rate, Miller said.

The new property values will not be on the tax records until at least 1960, Miller said. Since the present commissioners' terms expire next year, it is possible that the entire board will have different personnel when the assessment is finished.

Lion Predicts More Snow

The Nittany Lion telephoned The Daily Collegian this morning and announced that it may be some time before he returns to campus.

In making the announcement, the Lion said, "My case of measles is not improving and I don't think that yesterday's snow will help it along. Besides that, I may be another victim of food poisoning."

The Lion, in a long-range forecast, called for some additional snow with high temperatures today of 35 to 40 degrees.

Officer to Discuss Navy's Program

Lt. R. A. Latka of the Office of Naval Officer Procurement, Pittsburgh, will visit the campus Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday to talk with seniors about the Navy's officer candidate program.

The program is open to qualified male college graduates and leads to a commission in the Naval Reserve.

Latka will be in the game room at the Hetzel Union Building from 10:20 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. each day.

