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## 3 Protests Ignored As Russians Hold Convoy Second Day

BERLIN (AP)—The Soviet army ignored three strong protests yesterday and for the second day held up the passage of an American military truck convoy bound from isolated Berlin to West Germany.

U.S. Army authorities here viewed the incidents as the most serious pressure on Allied lifelines since Moscow launched its campaign last November to get the Western Powers out of West Berlin.

## 3 Contracts Awarded For Building

The University Board of Trustees has approved the awarding of contracts for the construction of three new buildings at the site of the University Research Center.

The board approved the awarding of contracts for the first building last July. They expect this building to be completed by May.

The Research Center will be financed by the University and will be utilized primarily for contract research programs. It will help to meet a shortage of facilities resulting from the rapidly expanding research program at the University.

Each of the three new buildings will have one floor, approximately 68 ft. by 186 ft. This area will be divided into 10 research rooms, each about 30 ft. by 30 ft. Partitions dividing the rooms will be removable so that two or more rooms can be converted into one, depending on the space needed for a designated project.

The new buildings will be located to the north and the south of the building now under construction. They will be connected by a 250-foot corridor.

## Students to Debate Two-Party System

Questions concerned with America's traditional two-party system will be discussed Sunday when Pennsylvania State University students argue the point in a telecast originating on the campus at 2:30 p.m.

The presentation, third of the bi-weekly series titled "Bull Session," will be aired by WFBG-TV, Channel 10, Altoona.

Leading the discussion will be Dr. M. Nelson McGeary, professor and head of the political science department. Students participating will be Ellen Donovan, Philip Eyrych, Jay Feldstein, Phoebe Humphrey, Susan Whittington, and Thomas Dye.

The Russians demanded the right to inspect the cargoes.

Corp. Richard C. Masiero of West Stockbridge, Mass., in command of the convoy, followed standing U.S. Army orders and refused to let the Russians do any more than look at the manifest papers.

Masiero and his men, muffled in blankets, slept in their trucks for the second cold night, determined to stick it out. They got hot food from a U.S. Army officer.

The officer was allowed to cross from the West German checkpoint at Halmstedt, just 100 yards over the border, and talk with them.

But a reporter, who drove from Berlin, said the trucks were parked beside the highway.

Besides Corp. Masiero, the stranded Americans are Pf. Benjamin G. Peoples of Theodore, Ala.; Sp4 Elwood F. Johnson of Brooklyn, N.Y.; Sp4 James E. Cook of Hardeeville, S.C.; and Pfc. Robert E. Love of Plain City, Ohio.

American authorities here said the whole thing had been started by the Russians to create an incident—possibly timed with Secretary of State Dulles' talks in London, Paris and Bonn to hammer out a unified Western policy on Berlin and Germany. He begins the talks in London today.

The Soviets have said only that they will take the matter under consideration," said a U.S. Army spokesman after the third protest.

The Russians continued to let military trains, air traffic and civilian highway traffic proceed without interference.

## Olver Asks Students To Avoid Building Sites

E. F. Olver, director of the Department of Security, warned students not to take shortcuts through the construction site at the Home Economics Building.

Because of heavy equipment in this area, crossing it is dangerous, especially at night, he said.

## 2 Legislators Back 'Open Trustees' Bill

### Bipartisan Aid Seen

By BOB FRANKLIN  
Collegian Editor

HARRISBURG—State Rep. Joseph P. Ujobai (R.-Chester) said yesterday he may introduce a bill to force open meetings of the University's Board of Trustees.

House Majority Leader Stephen McCann (D.-Greene) said he would support such a bill. But he suggested that the board open its meetings voluntarily.

"I believe that's good government," he said. When bodies which receive public funds hold all their meetings behind closed doors, McCann charged, "there's something wrong with democracy."

Action to open board meetings to the public and the press already has been endorsed by Gov. David L. Lawrence, a trustee, and by Board President James B. Long. But the board has taken no action on the matter.

Ujobai, who is editor and general manager of the daily Phoenixville Republican, was a power behind passage of the Commonwealth's "right-to-know" laws in the last session of the state legislature.

The "right-to-know" laws require open meetings of official business sessions of all borough councils, township boards of commissioners and boards of supervisors, school boards, authorities and some other public agencies in the Commonwealth.

The bill approved by the last session of the General Assembly was considerably weaker than the one originally proposed. Ujobai said yesterday he will work this session of the General Assembly with particular reference to the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission.

He said his bill probably will include a provision specifically to open the trustee meetings.

But McCann said, "There's nothing wrong with Penn State's Board of Trustees stepping forward and opening their (Continued on page three)



—Collegian Photo by Bob Thompson

STATING HIS VIEWS, Governor David L. Lawrence talks with members of Sigma Delta Chi, men's journalistic fraternity in his office.

## 443 Coeds Register For Sorority Rush

An additional 200 second semester and upperclass women who have registered to participate in sorority spring formal rushing bring the total to 443, it was announced at the Panhellenic Council meeting last night.

This is 56 more than had preregistered for rushing in December.

## Senior Gets \$35 Fine For Disorderly Conduct

Dan Reese, senior in business administration from Warrendale, was found guilty of disorderly conduct yesterday in a hearing before Justice of the Peace William P. Bell.

Reese was fined \$35 plus \$9 cost of prosecution.

## Debate Information

Preliminary information for students interested in joining the men's debate club will be given at a meeting at 7 tonight in 214 Boucke. Tryouts are scheduled for Feb. 11 and are open to all men with good scholastic standing.

## Colder Weather Expected Soon

As two contrasting air masses meet, one from the south and the other the north, violent weather will be set off in the Eastern two thirds of the nation sometime today. Heavy snows are expected through the upper midwest and



plains states as thunderstorms and possible tornadoes take place in the deep South.

The weather today will be cloudy with increasing southwesterly winds and mild with occasional rain with a high near 50. Temperatures will remain in the 40's tonight with rain changing to snow with strong winds tomorrow. The temperature is expected to fall all day tomorrow.

—Joel Myers  
Collegian Forecaster

## Food Fair to Be Held by IFCPA

By TOM EGGLE

The Interfraternity Council Purchasing Association will hold a food fair Monday, February 16.

IFCPA is an incorporated, non-profit buying organization, according to a booklet released by the IFCPA office. It provides such services for members as buying greater quantities of foodstuffs at a reduced price. It also provides fraternities with buying information about kitchen equipment, house furnishings, and gifts. At present 27 of the 54 fraternities on campus are purchasing through the IFCPA program.

The food fair, which has been in the planning stages for over a month, is being held to show participating and non-participating members how they can save money by purchasing through IFCPA.

The fair will be held from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. and from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. in the maple room of the cafeteria of the Home Economics building.

Approximately 15 companies will have displays and demonstrations of products which they sell. They will demonstrate such things as food mixes, dry milk, frozen pies, and ways to prepare certain kinds of food.

Fraternity caterers, presidents,

housemothers and cooks have been urged to attend the fair so that they may see how IFCPA can benefit fraternities. Invitations to attend have also been sent to Hotel Administration students, Home Economics students and University food service personnel, according to Mrs. Ruth Arnold, an IFCPA Board of Control member. She said that anyone interested in IFCPA or in the displays that the companies will have, may attend.

Miss Gilma Olson, associate professor of food and nutrition, will speak about menu and food planning for fraternities. Miss Olson will speak in the evening only.