

Wage, Salary Increases Head Budget Request

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"State of the University"

More than one-half of the \$16 million increase in the 1959-61 budget which the University has requested of the state will be spent on wage and salary adjustments. President Eric A. Walker in his "State of the University" address cited wages and salaries as the most important single item in the budget.

Walker said that the University cannot hope to maintain its position as an outstanding state university unless the salary scale is raised significantly in relation to those in effect at competing institutions.

A survey made last fall found that the University has the lowest average salary for professors, associate professors and assistant professors out of nine comparable midwestern and eastern universities.

Universities included in the survey were Cornell, Ohio State, Purdue and the Universities of Illinois, Maryland, Minnesota and Wisconsin.

During the 1957-59 academic years, the average faculty salary increased approximately 11 percent. However, these increases were made strictly on a merit basis by which most of the best professors were able to be retained.

Walker said although the faculty and staff have cooperated in the pioneering experiments that the University has undertaken to raise its effectiveness, the University can expand no further until the present programs are adequately financed.

Walker also said that the faculty and staff have for years kept the University growing on compromise salaries, professional dedication and make-shift arrangements.

He stressed that dedication alone cannot build a great university and until the present programs are soundly based financially, the University can admit no additional students, accept no new research or instructional projects or undertake no new public services.

State Budget Talk Is Set For Mar. 2

By BOB FRANKLIN
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Gov. David L. Lawrence has set March 2 as the tentative date for announcing his budget request for the University.

The governor has made that day the target date for presentation of the Commonwealth's 1959-61 budget to the legislature, according to the Associated Press.

President Eric A. Walker has asked Lawrence to seek a \$43.9 million biennial appropriation for the University. That would be a \$16 million increase over the current appropriation.

Lawrence has said repeatedly that the amount the University receives will depend primarily on the state's program of increased tax revenues. He has declined to say what specific taxes he will recommend to the legislature to fill a budgetary gap which The Associated Press said is expected to run about \$400 million.

However, State Rep. Stephen McCann (D-Greene), majority leader of the House, where all financial bills must originate, has placed the figure at closer to \$200 million.

Concerning the University's request, McCann last week told student members of Sigma Delta Chi, men's professional journalistic fraternity, "A portion of Penn State's money will certainly be met in this session." But he echoed Lawrence's sentiments concerning the appropriations dependence on tax revenue.

Education now accounts for 52 cents of every tax dollar in the current \$1½ billion budget, McCann said, representing "the greatest costs of state government."

He predicted that within 10 years the state will spend \$1 billion on education alone.

Continued Cold, Rain Tomorrow

The forecast for today is for fair skies but with a continuation of yesterday's cold weather. The morning low of 10 degrees will rise to an afternoon high of 20 degrees. Tonight will be fair and



warmer with a low of 19 degrees. Cloudy and warmer weather is predicted for tomorrow. There will be rain, beginning in the afternoon and continuing through the night, as a result of a storm system now developing in the western Great Plains.

—Joel Myers
Collegian Forecaster

Open Class Idea Hit By Council

The Education Student Council disapproved of the University Senate's plan for open lecture sections at its meeting Tuesday night.

According to Dorothy Newman, president, the council felt the Senate plan would cause too many unnecessary disturbances for the professors conducting these lecture sections.

It was generally felt by the council members that the material for these classes could not be effectively given with free students drifting into them whenever they pleased.

The problem of taking attendance was another reason for council disapproval. The members felt this process would cause delay where regular attendance is taken. Such delays would probably shorten the lecture time for students taking the course for credit, and perhaps increase the load of outside assignments, according to Miss Newman.

An alternate motion of opening lectures in one college in the University per week was favored by the council. The members said such action would cause less work and disturbance to professors since they would only be subjected to "mass invasion" every few weeks instead of several times during one week.

Miss Newman said the council felt its alternate suggestion might help to increase student interest in this new program because they would have less trouble deciding which lecture to attend.

Angel Flight Applications Available at HUB Desk

Applications for Angel Flight are now available at the Hetzel Union desk until Feb. 24 for second, third, fourth, fifth and sixth semester women.

To be eligible for membership, at least a 2.3 All-University average is required.

'What's That, Dad?' 'Cricket, Old Chap'

By JOHN BLACK

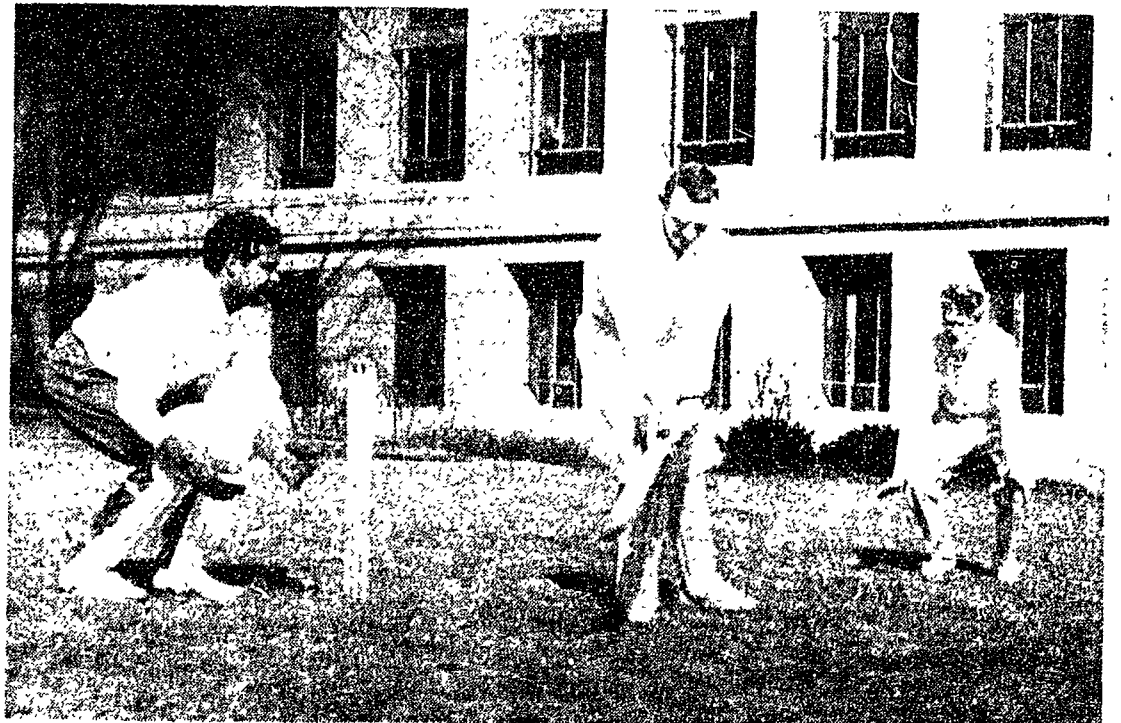
Tension fills the air, it is the last half of the third inning, there are nine men out, the score is 382-381, the silly mid off is poised, the square leg is ready, and the batsman steps to the popping crease.

The bowler delivers, the batsman misses his shot, the wicket-keeper grabs the ball, knocks off the bails, the batsman is stumped, the game is over, and the crowd finishes its tea.

If these terms are unfamiliar to you it is because you are not acquainted with the sport of cricket, national game of nearly every nation of the British Commonwealth and gaining popularity on the eastern coast of the United States.

The situation described above is analogous to the two-out, last half of the ninth inning situation in baseball, which is an offspring of cricket.

Dr. Robert D. McCammon, visiting research associate in physics from Ireland, is currently organizing a Penn State Cricket Club to play against other collegiate and organized teams this spring. (Continued on page five)



ANYONE FOR CRICKET? Wicketkeeper Atam Arya, graduate student in physics from India, batsman Iain Strong, graduate student in physics from Scotland, and silly mid off Robert D. McCammon rush the season and get in a little cricket practice.

—Collegian Photo by Ron Kerr

Big-4 May Include Germans in Talks

WASHINGTON (AP)—A new Western formula for a Big Four foreign ministers conference about Germany provides for including German representatives as advisers.

This opens the way for possible compromise with the Soviet Union on German participation.

In suggesting participation by German representatives, the Western powers would be thinking primarily of West Germans. They would be fully aware, however, that to the Russians the reference would mean Communist East German officials.

Both State Department and White House informants say Secretary of State John Foster Dulles will provide the guidelines for U.S. policy except for a few days around the time of his impending operation for hernia. The operation may be delayed until next week.

The White House yesterday denied emphatically speculation that President Eisenhower has discussed with associates the possible retirement of Dulles. The denial covered published reports that the President had discussed with Republican leaders a number of potential successors.

The White House press secretary, James C. Hagerty, recalled that he had termed such speculation "completely cockeyed."

The new Western note specifies that the prospective foreign ministers conference should deal with all aspects of the German problem. Thus the Soviets could bring up their proposed plan for confederation and a neutralized Germany, and the West could press for reunification under a modified free elections formula.

The note will reject the Jan. 10 proposal by the Soviet Union for a 38-nation conference to create a neutralized Germany or for confederation of West and East Germany.

While the note to Moscow will not be made public until after its delivery, it was described as leaving open the question of time and place for a foreign ministers meeting. But Western diplomats are being instructed that the United States, Britain and France are not prepared to meet behind the Iron Curtain in Warsaw or Prague.

Boy's Body Still Missing In Drowning

The rushing waters which swept a Bellefonte youth down a storm sewer to his death on Tuesday have failed to yield his body to the hundreds of grim searchers as of last night.

Terry Boal, 5, was about to step into a car Tuesday when rushing water bore him into a storm sewer at Ridge and Bishop Streets in Bellefonte. He was on his way home from kindergarten when the tragedy occurred.

Searchers yesterday concentrated their efforts in combing Spring Creek and adjacent waters in efforts to find the body since it was fairly well established that it could not be in the four-block section of sewer leading to Spring Creek from the site of the boy's disappearance.

Part of Bishop Street near the catch basin of the sewer was excavated yesterday morning in a vain attempt to locate the body.

Hopes soared briefly when a workman at the sewage treatment plant found a shirt he thought might have belonged to the boy, but it was not his, according to Mr. Boal.

Police, firemen, Boy Scouts, town officials and employees and many others united in the search for the child. Communities below Milesburg were told to keep a lookout for the body which may be washed down the stream.

Terry was clad in a three-quarter length gray coat with hood, long-sleeved red shirt, blue trousers, brown shoes and brown boots when he vanished at 12:50 p.m. Tuesday.

He was about to cross Bishop (Continued on page five)