



# University's Budget Request Cut \$10 Million by Lawrence

## Russia Agrees to Hold West Berlin Conference

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MOSCOW (AP)—The Soviet Union agreed yesterday to a foreign ministers' conference on West Berlin and a German peace treaty though stressing that it would still prefer summit talks.

A friendly windup to British Prime Minister Harold K. Macmillan's mission to Moscow attended the dispatch of Soviet notes to the Western Big Three and West Germany on these chief problems of the cold war.

The Kremlin assented to Western proposals for a conference in Vienna or Geneva and suggested it start in April with a time limit of two or three months for completion of its work.

Western diplomats said the proposal showed the Soviet Union has long since scrapped May 27 as an absolute deadline for settlement of the West Berlin question.

They pointed out that since Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev set the original date, Soviet officials both in Russia and abroad—including Dep. Premier Anastas I. Mikoyan in the United States—have reiterated that no deadline exists and that the proposal contains no ultimatum.

The suggestion for such a long period of negotiation was described by one Western diplomat as "the one encouraging section of the note."

The notes proposed that the government chiefs get together on the ground that a summit meeting has "the greatest chance of achieving positive results."

But if the West is not yet ready for that, the notes said, foreign ministers of the Big Four powers, plus Communist Poland and Czechoslovakia, could be called at the same time and place. Diplomats expected there would be no western objection to inclusion of Poland and Czechoslovakia, allies of the Russians in the Warsaw Pact.

The Kremlin agreed with a Western suggestion that representatives of West and East Germany should sit in.

## Expansion, Pay Hike Apparently Killed

By BILL JAFFE

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University expansion and faculty salary raises were apparently killed yesterday when Gov. David L. Lawrence cut the University's budget request by \$10 million.

A deeply disappointed President Eric A. Walker immediately said he would personally carry the University's fight for increased appropriations to the State Legislature.

The University requested nearly \$44 million for the 1959-61 biennium but Gov. Lawrence recommended only \$34 million

—an increase of only \$4.5 million over the 1957-58 appropriation.

As a result of the \$10 million cut, Walker said:

• University expansion plans will be halted.

• The University will be forced to abandon its plan to admit 5600 new students.

• Enrollments would have to be frozen.

• Faculty salary raises, a \$8.3 million request in the budget, would have to be postponed.

• No new research programs for Pennsylvania industry and agriculture could be started and no expansion of current projects could be undertaken.

• It would also mean curtailment of the state-wide system of Commonwealth Campuses for undergraduates and of the continuing extension programs for adults.

The news of the cut in the budget request was met with stone silence by faculty and administration members and Walker said "the cut was a serious blow to us." The sense of disappointment was especially keen among faculty where members had been building hopes on the request for salary and wage increases.

"Despite the governor's sympathetic interest in the University," Walker said, "the arithmetic of State finances will, if unchanged, tie our hands at a time when the demands on us are at an all-time high and still rising."

Lawrence recommended almost the same percentage increase for the three large state-aided institutions as he did for the University, Walker pointed out that the University is different from other Pennsylvania private colleges and universities in that it has no private endowments to fall back on. The University's appeals to pri-

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## Walker Denies Fish Killed by University

President Eric A. Walker yesterday flatly denied that the University owned and operated sewage treatment plant had anything to do with the killing of trout at Benner Spring or at the Pleasant Gap Hatchery Nov. 19.

State Secretary of Health Dr. Charles Wilbur yesterday said the University sewage plant was the cause of trout deaths in Spring Creek.

Wilbur said a thorough investigation by the Sanitary Water Board, the Fish Commission and the University revealed that "the heavy load being carried at peak periods by the plant was the cause of the pollution." The creek is the source of water in a raceway at Benner Springs where most of the trout were killed.

The sewage plant is owned and operated by the University but also treats the sewage from the State College borough.

Walker said there does not exist any substantial evidence which would indicate that the University's operation of the plant was a contributory factor in the death of the fish. He also said that there was no evidence to any degree that the University was responsible for the death of fish at the Pleasant Gap Hatchery.

"Moreover, the University is not aware of anything which it could have done or could do even now which would materially affect the welfare of fish in the Spring Creek watershed," Walker said.

The two incidents of pollution on the same day at two different sources and from two totally different causes is con-

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## Mild March 1 Saddens Lion



The Nittany Lion has been glum for the past few days because he missed his day. Traditionally, March 1 is the day that the weather is controlled by the lions, including the Nittany Lion.

This year, however, the forces of nature were too great for him, and rather comfortable weather prevailed. While the Nittany Lion is sad now, he is working on plans

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## Coeds Pay Pennies For II's Tonight

Women students will be granted special "Larry Sharp Elevens" for Penny-a-Minute Date Night tonight, but they will have to pay a penny for each minute they are out after their regular permission.

Penny-a-Minute Date Night will be the first scheduled event of Larry Sharp Week to raise an additional \$7000 for the former student who was injured in a gym accident in the fall of 1957.

Ellen Donovan, president of Women's Student Government Association and chairman of the event, said that women who wish to take advantage of the later permissions should sign out for a Larry Sharp Eleven. On returning to their dorm, they will have to pay a penny for each minute they are out after their permission.

Miss Donovan encouraged the women, rather than their dates, pay the pennies.

The State and Cathaum theatres will be participating in the drive by donating a portion of their profits from tonight's movie shows to the fund.

Each man will pay the regular price for himself, but will only have to pay 50 cents for his date. Of this the theatre will keep half and give half to the drive.

Miss Donovan said she thought freshman women will take ad-

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SOPHOMORE DANCE FINALISTS, left to right, are Joni Karlow, Judy Norton, Susan Sherman, Betty Kohudic and Marilyn Seifert. One will reign as queen over the Sophomore Class Dance Saturday night, being held in conjunction with Larry Sharp Week. Tickets go on sale to sophomores today at the HUB desk.

## Lion Trackmen Dispute IC4A Loss

By JOHN BLACK

It took a reversed decision by a third place judge 1½ hours after the high hurdles event was completed to spell defeat to the Nittany Lion indoor tracksters in the IC4A championships Saturday in Madison Square Garden, as Manhattan was declared victor by 19/36 of a point over Penn State.

A record-breaking performance by Ed Moran in the 1000-yard run and a flashing come-from-behind win by Engelbrink in the two-mile race were overshadowed by the rhubarb which developed over the 21 to 20 17/36 edge that gave Manhattan the team crown instead of Penn State.

The controversy arose when Manhattan's Henry White was

awarded fourth place in the 60-yard high hurdle event behind Mike Herman of NYU who finished third.

David Levy, one of the third place officials, picked Mike Herman of NYU as the number three finisher, while the other judge picked Henry White of Manhattan. Both fourth place officials tabbed White as the fourth man across the finish line.

Manhattan Coach George Eastment protested to the chief judge who reviewed the scorecards, then rejected Eastment's protest. An hour and a half later Eastment, who is also a professor of law, conferred with Levy and apparently convinced him to change his scorecard.

Manhattan thus picked up three team points for a third place finish instead of two points for a fourth place, and consequently the team title in-

stead of a second place behind the Lions.

Lion Coach Chick Werner, who charged the Jaspers' coach with "an improper act," remained in New York "to see what I can do to protect my boys after this injustice." Werner was supported in his stand by Villanova's coach Jim Elliot.

Ed Moran finally captured his first IC4A blue ribbon and did it in record-breaking style. Turning on his typical strong kick, Moran pulled away from the field and hit the tape at 2:0.6 to better Tom Courtney's mark of 2:10.9, which had stood since 1954.

Dick Engelbrink, the Lions' two-mile entrant, pulled the biggest surprise of the evening. After hanging back in sixth position with a lap and a half to go, he turned on the steers, passed five men and won going

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