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No Action Seen On Frosh Plan

No immediate action will be taken today by the Senate on the recommendation of its Educational Policy Committee that the present system of admitting freshmen to specific curricula be abandoned in favor of a series of common freshman year programs.

Russell E. Larson, professor of horticulture and chairman of the committee, said yesterday that the report is "for informational purposes only" and he will not ask the Senate to take any further action on it.

The Senate will meet at 4:15 p.m. in 121 Sparks to discuss the report. It will also hear reports from committees on student affairs, academic standards, courses of study, extension policy and scholarships and awards.

Larson said the plan could not possibly go into effect until September, 1960. He said he will ask senators and other faculty members to make suggestions to him about the report.

After the committee has sifted all of the suggestions, Larson said, it will submit a specific proposal regarding the plan to the Senate, probably sometime next fall. The Senate will meet one more time this year after today.

Larson said, "If the plan were accepted, it would be a considerable jump from the present system. I doubt that we (the committee) have seen all of the problems."

Ultimately, under the committee's plan, all freshmen would be admitted under the same requirements and would be assigned to either a technical or nontechnical program for their freshman year.

For the present, the committee has suggested five areas in which common programs could be set up. They are:

- Physical science and mathematics
- Biological sciences
- Social sciences
- Humanities
- Fine Arts

Also included in the plan is the establishment of an administrative unit having no faculty or instructional functions. It would simply act as the assignment center and coordinator of the programs.

Larson said there would not be any "basic college" set up such as is found in a similar program running for two years at Michigan State University.

One of the main difficulties in setting up the common freshman year program, Larson said, will be getting a standard set of entrance requirements for all curricula. Professionally accredited curricula will also pose problems, he said.

Larson said the report, which his committee has been working on for the past six months, grew out of a study of the Board of Trustees' Long Range Development Study.

Steelmen Plan Mutual Aid Pact

NEW YORK (AP)—The steel industry disclosed yesterday it is considering a mutual aid pact to share profits if only some steel firms are closed down by a July 1 strike.

R. Conrad Cooper, chief spokesman for the U.S. Steel Corp. and the industry in current wage talks with the Steelworkers Union, said the industry is working on such a plan even though hoping never to have to use it.

The possibility of a partial rather than an industrywide union strike—if there is no new agreement when present contracts run out June 30—was raised by Iron Age, industry trade publication.

Relations between the union and companies, though still friendly, began to get a bit more edgy. The union contended the steel industry mutual aid plan tended to agitate strike talk.

Negotiations starting yesterday with Jones & Laughlin Steel Corp. broke off in an argument over a common union contract for all J.&L. plants. Sessions with Kaiser Steel Co. similarly grew hot, but it was agreed to put misunderstandings aside and resume both sets of negotiations on a calmer note today.

Cooper was asked later whether all steel firms might shut down in event the union should strike only one or a few producers. He said the industry is considering all eventualities.

Saying it would take a miracle to avert a July 1 walkout, Iron Age suggested the union may try divide-and-conquer tactics by striking some companies to apply greater pressure on them while the rest of the industry is allowed to keep producing.

But Cooper said the union always has operated on a non-contract (no-work) policy—shutting down all companies at once—whenever there has been a strike.

Board Recommends Pro for Sigma Chi

By NEAL FRIEDMAN

The Interfraternity Council Board of Control recommended last night the withdrawal of social privileges for Sigma Chi fraternity until Oct. 1 for having a woman in the house after 1 a.m. last Sunday.

The penalty is subject to approval by the Senate subcommittee on group discipline. It is effective immediately, but will not apply to Mother's Day weekend.

In other action, the Board fined Chi Phi fraternity \$50 for having an illegal pledge and made suggestions for penalties to be issued to houses for violation of the new IFC ruling requiring a 2.1 house average.

After Oct. 1 Sigma Chi will be allowed to entertain women guests, but will be on social probation. This means they will be under closer surveillance by Board of Control checkers.

Ronald Siders, chairman of the board, said the checkers found the woman student in the basement of the fraternity early Sunday morning.

In addition to fining Chi Phi \$50 for having the illegal pledge, rushing privileges were removed for one year for Andrew Kasarda, freshman in aeronautical engineering from Phoenixville.

Kasarda told the fraternity he had a 2.45 average, but it was later found that he only had a 1.7. The Chi Phi fine is also subject to approval by the Senate subcommittee.

Siders said the board decided not to make specific recommendations regarding penalties for fraternities not having the required 2.1 average in order to avoid "hamstringing our successors."

He explained that decisions in most board cases are based on precedent. Since there was no precedent in this instance due to the fact that the ruling will not take effect until next February, it was decided only to suggest penalties.

Siders said the suggestions would be such things as prohibiting Friday night parties, requiring the house to raise the average needed to pledge and submitting a written scholarship program to the board.



—Collegian Photo by Marty Scherr
"WON'T YOU CHARLESTON WITH ME?" Bobby (Floyd Santoro) asks Maisie (Nina Baker). The Players production of "Boy Friend" opens tonight in Schwab Auditorium and will play tomorrow and Saturday nights.

Mercury to Reach 90 Degrees Today

The spring heat wave will continue today as temperatures should reach 90 degrees.

The warm spell which pushed temperatures to 88 degrees yesterday will continue to hold sway today. However, cooler weather is on the way and should return temperatures to comfortable levels tomorrow.

The uncomfortably warm weather wasn't restricted to Pennsylvania yesterday, but covered the entire nation east of the Mississippi River.

Today will be hot and humid with showers and thunderstorms likely during the afternoon. The showers should end by evening and cooler weather will follow tonight. Tomorrow is expected to be partly cloudy and pleasant with a high of 76 degrees.

Junior Advisory Board

Applications for the Junior Class Advisory Board are available at the Hetzel Union desk. All applications must be returned by 5 p.m. Monday.

Collegian Photo Staff Will Meet

There will be a meeting of The Daily Collegian photography staff today in the Collegian office. All members and interested candidates are requested to attend.

Alumni, Gift Drives to Begin Monday

Alumni Association memberships and Senior Class Gift contributions will be the twin objectives of Senior Week—next week.

Approximately 200 class agents

Seniors may vote for their Class Gift choice by using postcards sent out this week with letters of solicitation. The choices listed are a collection of works of contemporary American writers; a collection of books on religious studies; reference books for residence halls. Seniors who have another choice may list it in space provided on the card.

will kick off the campaign at a 1-hour meeting at 7:45 p.m. Mon-

day in the Hotel State College banquet room.

The agents, who will attempt to contact personally every member of the Class of '59, will receive instructions from officials of the class, the Alumni Association and the Alumni Fund.

Although the drive does not open officially until next week, letters of solicitation have been sent to all seniors and the Alumni Office already is receiving memberships and gift contributions.

Annual membership in the Alumni Association is being offered at a special rate of \$2 for the first year. The standard rate is \$3 a year. Life memberships are being offered at \$70, with a \$10 initial installment, instead of the regular \$75.

Members of the Alumni Asso-

ciation belong to district alumni clubs, receive the Alumni News, the Penn Stater newspaper and the football letter and support class reunions and other functions of the association.

Every dollar contributed to the Senior Class Gift fund will be matched by \$3 from funds allocated by President Eric A. Walker. John Bott, chairman of Senior Week, has asked that every senior donate at least \$1.

Ridge Riley, executive secretary of the Alumni Association, yesterday said senior volunteers still may apply to Bott or the Alumni office to solicit independent students. Enough seniors have volunteered to contact fraternity and sorority members, he said.

Summer Collegian To Begin June 9

The Daily Collegian will publish a weekly Summer Collegian beginning June 9.

The Summer Collegian will be published every Thursday morning following the first of the 12 editions, which will be published Tuesday, June 9.

The weekly paper will be the first official Collegian published during the summer sessions and the first student paper since 1951. In the past papers have been edited and promoted by students as a private enterprise.

William Jaffe, Daily Collegian managing editor, will be editor of the Summer Collegian. The news staff will be composed of students enrolled in journalism courses and present staff members.

Annette Truran, junior in journalism from Pittsburgh, and Josephine Rider Chesworth, junior in journalism from Pittsburgh, will serve as co-business managers for the 8-page paper.

Five thousand copies of the paper will be printed and distributed to summer session students, convention members, visiting groups, faculty members and townspeople.

Collegian Inc., publishers of

The Daily Collegian, authorized the publishing of a summer edition because of the increased size of the summer sessions enrollment and campus visitors. Last year 5812 students were enrolled in summer courses and 22,694 members of 82 different groups were visitors on campus.

A larger number of students are expected this summer because of the addition of two 6-week sessions in addition to the regular 3-6-3 week sessions.

University students may subscribe to the Summer Collegian by filling out the coupon in today's paper and sending or bringing it to the Collegian office with 50 cents. The paper will be mailed each Thursday from State College, except the first edition which will be mailed Tuesday, June 9.