

**Center Development**

# System Began With Bulletins

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From the publishing and distribution of research bulletins to independent centers and then to a system of Commonwealth Campuses is a long path. The University has been on this path since the 1860's.

It was under Evan Pugh, first president of the University,

that bulletins were sent to people taking off-campus classes. Extension activities also date from that time.

Correspondence courses date from as far back as 1892 and mining classes were held before 1900.

In 1910 the first evening classes were held off campus. They were held in Williamsport under the supervision of the School of Engineering.

Allentown came on the scene two years later offering two and three-year evening programs. The courses were of a technical school nature. The Allentown school has continued growing and today it is one of the commonwealth campuses offering two-year associate degrees.

Five more branch schools were established in the next 14 years. Wilkes-Barre in 1916; Scranton, 1923; Reading, 1924; Williamsport, 1925; and Erie, 1926.

The year 1927 saw the Class Center Division established. The class centers did not offer full curricula, only separate courses.

The Altoona branch school was established in 1929, the same year the Williamsport school was discontinued.

In 1934 sophomore courses were added making it possible for students to attend the centers for two years. The same year Hazleton, Pottsville and Uniontown opened centers.

Bradford and Warren closed their freshman centers, opened in 1933, and the Board of Trustees created the office of Assistant to the President in Charge of Extension during the same year.

In 1935 the Sayre-Towanda centers moved to DuBois and in 1939 the Altoona Center opened. The Uniontown Center was discontinued in 1940.

An evening technical institute was started in York in 1946 and

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# 'Gambling' In HUB to Be 'Legalized'

"Gambling" will be legalized in the Hetzel Union Ballroom at a Las Vegas Night to be sponsored next fall by the Town Independent Men with the cooperation of Leonides.

Plans for the event include cage dice tables, fortune wheels, a roulette table, dice tables, black jack and poker tables, and horse race betting. Each "gambler" will receive \$2500 in play money as he enters the "casino." Members of TIM will act as dealers with Leonides members assisting.

Phillip Haines, president of TIM, requested Leonides support for the project at the Leonides council meeting Monday night. The council endorsed the plan and named Loretta Syzdek, junior in arts and letters from Mahoney City, Leonides Las Vegas Night chairman.

A handbook explaining the purpose, activities and organization of Leonides will be sent to all incoming freshmen and transfer students this summer. Carol Frank, president of Leonides explained that such a handbook was distributed several years ago, but the practice was discontinued. The booklets will be sent with the Women's Recreation Association handbooks during the first week in August. Programs to explain Leonides will also be included in orientation meetings.

Miss Frank announced the winner of the Leonides scholarship for Fall 1959. Diana DeAngelis, freshman in pre-medicine from Arlington, Va., was presented with the scholarship at the AIM-Leonides banquet May 13. The scholarship is awarded each semester on the basis of leadership, scholarship and contribution to the University.

At the close of the meeting Carol Dominick, president of the Panhellenic council, and Harold Sandstrom, president of AIM, spoke to the Leonides council on the work and organization of their organizations. They expressed the hope that the groups would continue to cooperate in their activities during the coming year.

## "Miss Indiana U" Title Is Awarded to Negro

BLOOMINGTON, Ind. (AP) — A dazed but happy Negro coed is the new Miss Indiana University.

Nancy Streeta, a 19-year-old sophomore from South Bend, Ind., is believed the first of her race ever to win a beauty queen contest on the IU campus. She will compete for the "Miss Indiana" title as part of this year's Miss America contest.

# Spring Concert To Be Given By Blue Band

The Penn State Blue Band, under the direction of James W. Dunlop, will present its annual spring concert at 3 p.m. Sunday on the Pattee Library steps.

Stanley Michalski, Jr., graduate in music education from Nanticoke, will assist in directing the concert.

Featured soloist on the program will be Louis Curry, junior in business administration from Uniontown. He will play a tympani solo entitled "Timpat" by Robert Leist.

A dixieland group composed of band members will join with the band for a number called "Dixieland Concerto" by John Warrington.

As an added feature in the concert, the Women's Chorus will combine with the Blue Band for several numbers. Dr. W. Paul Campbell, director of the Women's Chorus, will direct the chorus and band in these numbers.

Selections on the program vary from patriotic songs and marches to songs from hit Broadway shows.

In case of rain, the concert will be held in Schwab Auditorium.

## Chess Team Takes 2nd In Tri-State Tourney

The Penn State Chess Team, in its final match of the semester, took second place in last weekend's Tri-State Intercollegiate Team Tournament in Pittsburgh.

Entering the final round, the Blue and White Knights led, but were edged, 3-2, by the University of Pittsburgh's "A" team, holders of the state championship.

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## Letter--

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Many a wife provides the support for her husband to continue his education, while others, like mine, take care of their marvelous children, and none of them let us of know of their hardship. They write the checks to pay the bills, thus relieving us of a major responsibility, keep our appearance as close to a single male student's as possible.

Our clothes are neat and attractive, while hers show signs of wear. Seldom is anything new added to her wardrobe because of the restricted budget. How about the 93 recipes for hamburger she has dreamed up to provide a variety with a single meat.

Husbands, join me in paying a little tribute to our wives.

—Norbert J. Scanlan, '59  
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# Cohen Wins Award In Speaking Contest

Sheila Cohen, sophomore in arts and letters from Pittsburgh, won first place in the John Henry Frizzell Speaking Contest Monday night.

Mary Ann Ganter, junior in business administration from Bethel Park, won second place.

Miss Cohen's topic, "Progressiveness, Here We Come," advocated a united world government with permanent peace as its objective. Miss Ganter's speech entitled, "Don't Kid Yourself," pointed out that people are prejudiced even if they don't realize it.

First prize was \$50 and the John Henry Frizzell Award of Merit; second prize was \$25 and an award of merit.

The contest is sponsored by the Department of Speech in honor of Frizzell who was formerly University chaplain and head of the speech department.

He retired as professor emeritus in 1946.

Frizzell presided as honorary chairman at the finals and presented the awards to the winners.

Others speaking in the finals and their topics were: Jacqueline Leavitt, "Clothes for Climbing"; Joan Kemp, "Christian Herter, Man of the Hour"; Marilyn West, "Apathetic Americans"; and Emily Bradley, "No Strings Attached."

# ODK Chooses New Officers

George McTurk, junior in journalism from Pittsburgh, was elected president of Omicron Delta Kappa, national leadership and scholastic honorary, at a meeting Sunday.

Eight juniors were also initiated.

The other newly elected officers are Martin Leshner, junior in psychology from Philadelphia, vice president; Frank Eliot, junior in electrical engineering from Washington, D.C., secretary and Richard Hammond, junior in business administration from Wilmington, Delaware, treasurer.

Those initiated were William Bowers, Howard Byers, Frank Eliot, Theodore Haller, Richard Hammond, Martin Leshner, Harold Sandstrom and James Shugart.



Five and one-half billion dollars in tax money is a big enough amount to hurt every U.S. family that has to help pay it. Yet that much tax money has already been poured into unnecessary federal "public power" dams and plants.

The lobbyists for federal "public power," the bureaucrats and the socialists keep pressing Congress to spend tax money like this, even though there's no need for it. The independent electric companies are ready and able to provide all the electricity the nation needs.

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