



# Registration Plan Studied

By JEFF POLLACK

Students may soon be registering three months before classes start—and without ever going to Recreation Hall.

Robert G. Bernreuter, special assistant to the president for student affairs, said the pre-registration system for all students has been under study for several years.

He said efforts were being made to remove some of the bad points from the system, which is modeled after one now in effect at Purdue University.

As Bernreuter explained the system, a student would file his choice of courses the semester before he plans to take them. When all the choices had been filed the requests would be turned over to a battery of electronic machines.

It falls to the machines to accomplish the herculean task of scheduling the students. Sections will be provided certain hours for a certain course and the scheduling process itself will be automatic.

Once a student's course choices have been filled the machines will automatically print up copies of his schedule. They will then be distributed, without the help of machines, to the students and advisors.

Bernreuter said the system at Purdue worked for about 90 per cent of the students. They received the courses they chose without any conflicting hours.

However, and this is the reason for the delay in starting the system, "the other 10 per cent of the students got really messed up programs," Bernreuter said.

He explained further that specific requests for classes at certain hours would be filed at the same time as the course choices.

He said that in the ultimate system no section would be planned until all choices were in. Then the machines would compute the available faculty for a course, the number of students requesting the course and possible conflicts with other courses scheduled at the same hour.

It would be up to the machines to open additional sections as needed and close unnecessary ones.

Bernreuter said a student who received a class at an unwanted hour could change his schedule by the present drop-add system. The drop-add system could also be used for changing courses after the start of the semester.

He said a problem existed with freshmen and other students attending the University for the first time. "The large number of freshmen who change curriculums after they are accepted makes it almost impossible to preregister them," he said.

However, Bernreuter said it would be possible for all these students to register under the present system at Recreation Hall.

"The new system," he said, "would save most of the time now spent during registration and would loosen up the calendar."

## Haller Will Ask Larger Gift Booth

Theodore Haller Senior Class president and chairman of the Class Gift Committee, will recommend to the Student Government Association Assembly that next year's class gift drive have a larger booth at registration for collections.

Haller will make his report on this year's drive at SGA Assembly at 8 tonight in 203 Hetzel Union Building.

He will also recommend that more publicity be given to the drive next year, possibly through an article in the Student Handbook.

The total amount contributed and pledged at registration was \$7837.65.

The total collected from this year's senior class was \$1503.50. The University will contribute \$2 for every \$1 of this amount, tripling the original collection.

The class of 1961 contributed \$1481.50. This amount will be matched by the University.

The class of 1962 contributed \$1806.15; the class of 1963, \$3020.50; and the class of 1964, \$26.00.

In another report, Ben Bronstein, editor of the 1959 Student Handbook, will recommend that selling the handbooks be continued next year. In previous years the handbooks were distributed without charge to freshmen and transfer students.

Bronstein said that a \$642.99 profit was made on this year's handbook sale, in comparison with last year's loss of \$389.71.

Bronstein will also recommend that a higher grade paper be used next year for better reproduction of pictures and that several new articles be added, as suggested in the 1959 Student Encampment. These may include articles about the Alumni Association and the Senior Gift.

## Marketing Club to Hold First Meeting Tonight

The first Marketing Club meeting of the year will be held at 7:30 tonight at Beta Theta Pi.

The personnel director of Gable's Department Store in Altoona will speak on the operation of a department store and the job opportunities in this type of organization.

## Assembly To Rule On '60 Budget

The proposed 1959-60 Student Government Budget, totalling \$22,895, will be presented to the SGA Assembly at 8 tonight for its approval.

The budget was turned down last year when the defunct All-University Cabinet failed to agree on the compensations.

The proposed budget breaks down as follows: SGA, \$5555; senior class, \$7925; junior class, \$4725; sophomore class, \$400; freshman class, \$425; Intercollegiate Council Board, \$1800; compensations, \$1325; and Student Union, \$750.

Compensations will be apportioned as follows:

- SGA officers: president, \$350; vice president, \$250; secretary-treasurer, \$250; Rules Committee chairman, \$35.

- Class presidents: senior, \$40; junior, \$35; sophomore, \$25; freshman, \$15.

- Others: Elections Committee chairman, \$35; Public Relations chairman, \$25; Orientation Week chairman, \$25 each; Student Handbook editor, \$15; Student Handbook business manager, \$15; Junior Prom chairman, \$15; Senior Ball chairman, \$15; Spring Week chairman and business manager, \$35 each; Spring Week variety show, carnival and publicity chairmen, \$15 each; and Encampment chairman, \$40.

The original budget proposal was turned down last year when the issue of the budget's fairness was brought up. Women's Recreation President Judy McFarland said at that time that the proposal was unfair, due to the uneven amounts of distribution which did not reflect on the amount of work put into an activity. The budget was tabled for further study.

## Nine Members Named To Men's Debate Team

Nine students have been named to the Men's Debate team, manager Alan Elms announced yesterday.

The new members are Michael Dvonik, Herbert Goldstein, Stephen Howard, William Lloyd, Herbert Nurick, Richard Snyder, William Swisshelm, Ronald Watzman, Ira Zateoff.



—Collegian Photo by Dave Trump

**BEAT ARMY**—Students ponder whether the Nittany Lions will whip the Army Black Knights at West Point Saturday. The banner on the Mall was donated by the Central Promotion Agency.

## Pep Rally Kicks Off Drive to Kick Mule

Penn State's potential victory over Army may well start at tonight's pep rally.

The rally will begin at 7:30 p.m. in the back of the Hetzel Union Building.

The cheerleaders and Air Force Band will parade around the campus to residence halls before the rally.

Pete Stuart, chairman of the Athletics Advisory Board, will be the speaker. Master of ceremonies will be Charles Berents, sophomore.

The Daily Collegian will publish a special sports edition Sunday morning.

Sandy Padwe, sports editor, will cover the play-by-play of the Army-Penn State game. Bill Jaffe, managing editor, will provide the game's sidelights and color.

Coverage will be also given to the varsity cross-country and soccer contests.

more in metallurgy from Pittsburgh.

Frothy and the Nitany Lion will be on hand to help cheer the football team on to victory.

Bob and Pete Elder, twin brothers who performed at a pep rally last year, will put on a skit tonight. The scene will be set in Army's locker room before Saturday's game.

The motorcade will meet behind Simmons and McElwain halls and proceed up Shortlidge Rd. to the North Halls, to West Halls and then on Pollock Rd. to the HUB.

## Tickets Available For Grand Opera

Less than 1400 student tickets and 600 non-student tickets remain for the Goldovsky Grand Opera Theater's production of "Rigoletto" to be held at 8 p.m. Sunday in Recreation Hall.

This is the third program of the 1959-60 Artist Series.

Verdi's opera, to be given in English, will star James Berg, basso; Jacqueline Bazinet, soprano; Ara Berberian, basso; and Jean Deis, tenor. The Goldovsky company has 50 members.

## Bermuda Rules Go; Coed Legs to Show

By ELAINE MIELE

Women will be able to wear bermuda shorts in residence hall lounges and in the dining halls, the Women's Student Government Association Senate voted last night.

Bermudas may be worn in lounges at all times and in the dining hall during breakfast and lunch. On Sundays bermudas may be worn for breakfast and supper.

The bermuda rule includes kilts and jamaica shorts. It was decided that the length of the shorts would be left up to the discretion of the individual coeds. The Standards Committee in the individual dorm units will ask coeds not to wear sweat-shirts, and not to wear shirt-tails out.

An objection to the ruling of wearing bermudas in the lounges was that the standards of dress on campus are too casual and that this would seek to lower them.

Miss Lois McColloch, advisor to the Senate, said, "I don't believe your standards are determined by bermudas or skirts. I

think they are determined in your heads."

The ruling was passed with an overwhelming majority after a 50-minute debate.

In other business Senate decided to recommend to the dean of women's office that upperclass women be allowed to have cars on campus. If this suggestion is approved upperclass women will be allowed to register their cars with the campus patrol. Women will be allowed to have parking permits if there are any left this semester.

Miss McColloch said there are permits left but that they are not in lots near the residence halls.

If there are no prohibitive regulations about women's driving, the dean of women's office will accept the suggestion, she said.

## Steel Strike Intervention Draws Near

**PITTSBURGH (AP)**—Steel negotiators despaired yesterday of a strike peace pact on the eve of President Eisenhower's apparent deadline for government intervention under the Taft-Hartley Act.

President David J. McDonald of the United Steelworkers Union, saying a negotiated settlement seemed hopeless, sent the union's 170-man Wage Policy Committee home. The group would have to approve any new contract.

The on-and-off negotiations were again suspended with no further meetings in prospect to end the crippling 85-day strike, worst in steel history.

Neither the industry nor un-

ion would budge from its stands after a "summit meeting" between McDonald and top industry executives got nowhere Tuesday night.

Eisenhower said a week ago he wanted a settlement by the time he returns to Washington today from a rest trip in Palm Springs, Calif.

McDonald said that if Eisenhower invokes the Taft-Hartley Act and seeks to stop the strike for 80 days under a court injunction, the USW will fight the injunction attempt in the courts.

"But if an injunction is issued, the United Steelworkers of America will obey the law of the land," the union chief said.

McDonald said the union still wants Eisenhower to steer clear of Taft-Hartley and, instead, name

a public fact-finding board to recommend settlement terms. He said it would end the historic dispute more quickly and fairly.

Eisenhower, however, has expressed distaste for McDonald's plan unless the industry joins the union in supporting it. Under the T-H law, an inquiry board would merely report strike facts without suggesting a solution.

The strike has idled 500,000 directly in the basic steel industry and some 200,000 indirectly in other industries, and the steel shortage is growing rapidly.

McDonald, after a 25-minute meeting with his policy group, minimized the industry contract offer. He stressed again that the union is willing to settle on the basis of the same degree of economic gain as contained in the expired 1956 contract.