



## SGA Assembly to Debate Committee's Proposals For Revised Constitution

By ANN PALMER

The SGA Assembly is scheduled to debate and possibly vote on a new constitution to be presented by the Executive Reorganization Committee at 6:30 tonight.

The new constitution, which has been under construction since the Assembly adjourned on April 6 for reorganiza-

## Foianini To Advocate Free Debate

Dennis Foianini, president-elect of SGA, said last night that a gallery which is free to speak at assembly meetings would provide "a democratic opportunity for constructive opposition."

He was commenting on a proposal by the SGA Executive reorganization committee that spectators in the gallery be prohibited from expressing their opinions during Assembly meetings.

This proposal would permit only points of information to be aired by the observers.

"My main participation in student government before this was through the gallery," Foianini said.

"I have strong feelings toward the gallery being opened," he continued.

Foianini also had comments on the proposed system of representation of SGA Assembly and the failure of Lion's Paw to tap him.

He said that the proposal to have the assembly members elected by living areas was the same one which he advocated during the campaign.

Foianini added that he is still in support of it, and would like to see the assembly pass it in that form.

The presidents of the four classes would also sit on assembly. No members-at-large would be elected from the classes, however.

Commenting on Lion's Paw, Foianini said, "I am the first president in several years who at least claims to be interested in the students, and not in prestige—and Lion's Paw is not interested in me."

tion, recommends seven major changes in the present system of student government.

First, it eliminates class representation at-large. It proposes that the Assembly be composed of the four class presidents and 24 other members elected according to the population of four major governmental areas: IFC, MRC, AWS and TIM.

It also provides for junior and sophomore class presidents to be elected in the spring. Under the present system, these two officers are elected in the fall.

The new constitution advocates that every bill presented to the Assembly be brought first to the Rules Committee.

"This will insure that bills are properly constructed and will eliminate the confusion which occurs when spur-of-the-moment bills are brought to the floor," Joan Cavanagh, chairman of Rules Committee, said.

If a bill arises that cannot be brought before Rules Committee, the proposed constitution recommends that a 3/4-vote of the eligible membership of the Assembly be required to bring the bill to the floor.

One of the recommendations which has created some controversy is that no one will be allowed to speak from the gallery during an Assembly meeting except for a point of information.

Concerning the formation of committees, the new constitution recommends that committees be created by Assembly, that the committeemen be appointed by the chairman, subject to Assembly approval.

Candidates for Assembly seats will be sponsored by political parties but will be elected according to the population ratio of their governmental area, according to the proposal.

The new constitution advocates that elections be run under the same system as used this spring.

In other business, Richard Haber, SGA president, is scheduled to install the new All-University

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## NATO Guarantees Vital Area Defense

OSLO, Norway (AP)—Fifteen Atlantic allies pledged yesterday to defend vital areas around the globe against the menace of the Communist bloc. And they promised to stand firm in West Berlin.

Foreign ministers of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization wound up a three-day meeting with a major decision to widen their activities beyond the defined region of their alliance.

Secretary-General Dirk U. Stikker of the Netherlands and other delegates speaking privately, credited this achievement to U.S. Secretary of State Dean Rusk. He had sought with only partial success to instill a life-and-death sense of urgency.

It means NATO has recognized the total diplomacy conducted by the Soviet bloc on all the fronts of the East-West cold war can best be countered by the West's own total diplomacy.

"The menace which drew them (the allies) together is now not only military but also has worldwide political, economic, scientific and psychological aspects," the final communique observed.

"Confident in their strength, in the will of their peoples and in the truth of the ideals they uphold, the 15 Atlantic nations dedicate themselves anew to building a world free from the false doctrine of continuing and inevitable conflict."

Soviet Premier Khrushchev contends that, even in an era of so-called peaceful coexistence, Communists everywhere work to topple capitalism.

The front displayed toward the Soviet bloc looked solid although the Scandinavians, British, and Canadians lost no chance to stress the need to negotiate.

On some issues within Europe dissensions appeared. There was resistance to efforts to beef up conventional arms and armies in mainland Europe. Besides the costs this would involve reintroduction of the draft. There was still pressure on Portugal to quit what was generally seen as a policy of suppression in its West African colony of Angola.

As the conference ended, foreign ministers of Britain, Canada, France and the United States hurried off to face a crucial new challenge from the East—a

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## Weinstein Comments On Housing Survey

Responses to questions asked in a State College Chamber of Commerce housing survey on landlord's preferences for tenants have shown a "varying degree of prejudice," Jerome Weinstein, editor of the Centre Daily Times said yesterday.

The "preference questions" asked of 970 landlords, dealt with the religion, age, marital status, race, occupation, sex and country of birth of a prospective tenant.

The responses of the landlord to a survey question asking to whom they would rent rooms have been tabulated as follows:

- Of those questioned 98 per cent said they had no preference as to the religion of the prospective tenant. However, 50 of those interviewed did not answer the question pertaining to religion.

- Age was not an important factor in deciding to rent to a particular tenant, 71 per cent of the landlords answered.

- Most of those interviewed reported that they did not care as to the marital status of a tenant, but some said they preferred unmarried persons.

- Racial preference was not a consideration in deciding to rent to a particular tenant, 60 per cent of those responding to the survey said. However, 151 landlords did not answer this question.

- No preference for a tenants' occupation was expressed by 73 per cent of the home owners responding.

- Fifty-eight per cent of those questioned said that they had no preference as to the sex of a tenant, but 37 per cent specified that they would rent only to men.

- Of those answering the survey questions 85 per cent said the country of birth of an applicant would not affect their decision to rent. However, 106 said they would prefer persons born in this country.

Weinstein said that the "hidden factor" in this survey was "the no answers."

## Storm Causes Traffic Accident

A sophomore was injured in a three car collision at the intersection of S. Atherton St. and W. Beaver Ave. Tuesday night.

The accident took place because the traffic signal at this intersection was put out of commission due to the electric storm.

John R. Juba, chief of police, said. The student involved was William W. Jones, sophomore in counseling from Short Hills, N.J. No injuries were reported, but damages to the cars were estimated at \$1,000.

Police reported that Jones was traveling west on Beaver Ave. and noticed that the traffic signals were not working. He entered the S. Atherton St. intersection and was struck on the right side by a car traveling south on Atherton St., police said.

The impact of this collision caused Jones' car to be pushed into a third car which was stopped on Beaver Ave. waiting for traffic to clear.

## Tests to Be Given For Peace Corps

Testing dates for Peace Corps candidates who wish to begin their service this summer have been set for May 27 and June 5, according to Peace Corps headquarters.

The first test on May 27 will be for volunteers who wish to work as elementary school teachers and the second test on

June 5 will be for liberal arts and teachers' college graduates who wish to teach in secondary schools.

Candidates may take one or both tests, according to a report by the Peace Corps information service. They will be notified of the time and place of examination by mid-May if they have a questionnaire on file with Peace Corps headquarters, the report said.

The service reported that the tests have been designed to measure the intelligence and learning ability of the candidates, their knowledge of American history, their values, language aptitudes or achievements and their job competence.

Those being tested will also be asked to complete a biographical blank and health inventory. Optional tests will measure their skills in such areas as teaching

ability, farming and animal husbandry, basic mechanical engineering, and basic health and child care.

Nicholas Hobbs, director of the selection service, was quoted in the report as saying that no passing or failing score will be given on the tests, and that candidates with low scores may still be assigned to an area if they meet the requirements for that job.

University Park has been designated as one of the locations in Pennsylvania where interviews will be conducted after the test results have been computed.

No times or dates for the interviews have as yet been assigned by Peace Corps officials, the service reported.

Those who haven't filled out a questionnaire may do so at the testing center, the service reported, and will be allowed to take the test if circumstances permit.



—Collegian Photo by John Beauge

**STAY AWAY FROM OUR GOLD** Jennifer warns the two hombres while her father gets set for action. The four "westerners" are members of Players enacting a scene from "Paint Your Wagon" which opens tonight in Schwab. They are, from left to right, Joe Servello, Sandy Hart, Merrill Freedman and Wally Glickman. As for the grave and its significance, Director Ellis Grove said, "You'll have to see the play."