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## Citizen Calls For Action In Education

By JOHN BLACK

The most critical aspect of education in the state right now is the field of higher education, said a citizen member of the governor's special education committee this week.

Arthur B. Sinkler, president of the Hamilton Watch Company in Lancaster, said he and two other citizen members of the governor's committee have determined "to build a bonfire under the legislature to get some action on the committee's proposals."

Proposals made by the committee to revamp the state's lagging and outdated education system should not be postponed he stressed.

"If action on education is put off by the legislature this year, nothing will probably get done for the next two years because the next session will be bogged down with appropriations," Sinkler said.

Sinkler said that by 1970 there will be two and one-half times as many college students in the state and preparations must be started immediately to handle them.

The committee, he said, has recommended three proposals to alleviate this critical situation:

- Double the capacity of state colleges including The Pennsylvania State University.

- Urge private colleges to increase their capacity 25 per cent.

- Establish community junior colleges to take care of the 174,000 youngsters who will still be outside the higher education door in 1970 if the first two proposals are adopted.

"And we're just talking about 30 per cent of high school graduates here," he said. California, he said, already has 60 per cent of its high school graduates in college or junior college.

This higher education package is going to cost an additional \$180.4 million by 1970, he said.

"Either we are going to spend this money in Pennsylvania or

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**HOW TO BEAT THE WEATHER**—This man has figured out how to cope with the University's inclement weather. When the sun shines he works outdoors, but when it's raining he stays indoors and shovels dirt out the window.

### Review

## 'Doll' Runs Gamut Of Emotional Feeling

By DEX HUTCHINS  
Collegian Reviewer

"The Summer of the Seventeenth Doll," by Ray Lawler and directed for Mateer Playhouse by Max Fischer is a hard driving taskmaster which relentlessly forces the audience through the gamut of its emotional feelings.

What begins as an "adult" situational comedy concerning

### Sunny Skies Due

Sunny and warmer weather will return to Central Pennsylvania today as the rain-producing storm system that brought nearly one-half inch of rain to this area yesterday moves away from this area. Today's high temperature should be near 77 degrees.

a pair of prostitutes and their rough and ready Australian field hand lovers turns rapidly into a penetrating study of a trio of somewhat shallow characters facing difficult personal adjustments to middle-age life.

The pressure of these adjustments, symbolized in the passing of the good times they once knew at "laffoff time" is hard on the two workers, Roo and Barney, but even harder on Roo's girl Olive played by Diana Frothingham.

Miss Frothingham, aware of the demands of her role, tries too hard at times to get her point across to the audience.

Particularly in the last act, which calls for very careful handling by all the actors, she loses just enough control to permit the audience to slip out of the "aurora of believability" previously created by the play.

This unfortunate situation leaves the audience as "outsiders" to the action on the stage at a time when empathy is most needed.

Constance Dix as Pearl Cunningham, a friend whose pointed comments contribute to the group's painful introduction to certain realities of life, is one of the more polished actresses in the show.

Either she has great natural ability as an actress or has put much more time and study into preparation for her part as compared to the efforts of her fellow thespians.

Even Miss Dix's polished performance could not match that of Jo Laing as Emma, Olive's mother. Emma is the kind of old lady, wise to the ways of the world, who, though appearing to be an "old bitty," knows just how to handle and to help her younger cohorts.

Mrs. Laing is so good she doesn't even seem to act. She appears on the stage as an entity to herself — an actress and her role molded into one which brings to the stage an honest

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## 5,166 Register For Summer

The University's prediction of an enrollment of over 5,000 for the first term of the four term system has been fulfilled, according to the latest statistics.

The latest total indicates that 5,166 students (both graduate and undergraduate) have enrolled for the summer term, Warren R. Haffner, assistant registrar, said yesterday.

"We're very pleased with the large turn out," Robert G. Bernreuter, registrar, said. This indicated that the students have accepted the four term system, he added.

The enrollment did present a few surprises, however. More freshmen than had been planned for registered last week and many new course sections had to be opened up.

In English, for example, the University had set aside nine sections, but by the last day of registration, the department was busy filling its 17th section.

"Although we didn't expect it," A. O. Lewis, associate department head, said, "we managed to get everybody in." There were more graduate students than expected enrolled in English, he said. But these were also "fitted in."

The first freshman class of the term system has a total of 510 students enrolled in it — 250 women and 260 men. The undergraduate enrollment totals 2,667 students with 917 women and 1,750 men.

There are 2,173 graduate students enrolled, 584 women and 1,589 men. Special students have an enrollment of 328 with 174 women and 152 men.

Haffner said that approximately 254 students who registered late have not been included in the tabulations.

"The undergraduate enrollment is a little below what I expected," Haffner said. "I had optimistically predicted that 3,500 undergraduates would enroll," he said, "but many of my colleagues thought the number would be lower."

## AWS to Retain Dress Regulations

The Association of Women Students summer council Monday night voted to retain the dining room dress regulations of the regular academic year throughout the summer term.

Several women had questioned the ruling, which permits Bermuda shorts only at breakfast and lunch meals during the week and at breakfast and supper on Sunday, according to Ruth Rilling, AWS president.

Miss Rilling added that men, who are also eating in Waring Hall with coeds this summer, have said they will not be permitted to wear bermudas until the coeds are.

The consensus of the council members emphasized that if rules were relaxed for the summer this would serve to confuse the freshman women who have just entered the University.

In other business, Judith Allen was named AWS elections chairman for the fall election. Miss Rilling noted that AWS may adopt the numbered ballot system to eliminate the possibility of stuffing ballot boxes in its fall election.

## Walker Receives Alumni Donation

A check for \$197,396.48 from the 1961 Alumni Fund was presented to President Eric A. Walker Saturday.

The donation, representing the contributions of 10,625 Alumni, was given to the University as the highlight of the recent Alumni weekend which 1,500 graduates attended.

## Status of University May Decide Budget

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Forty years ago the deputy attorney general of Pennsylvania, in a legal opinion, rendered this University The State College of the Commonwealth, thus pinpointing the institution's vacillating legal status.

This decision is now being used by the University to gain

ground in its fight for the full \$23 million budget requested by Dr. Eric A. Walker, Wilmer Kenworthy executive assistant to the President, said.

George Ross Hull, the state official in question, dealt directly with the lesser point of whether or not the Pennsylvania State College should pay tax on the gasoline it purchased. But he covered the related matter of the College's legal status at great length.

Hull's conclusion, after a detailed listing of the College's relations with the state stemming from "The Farmer's High School," through the Morrill Land-Grant Act and into acts of the Pennsylvania legislature, said:

"These facts made it clear that, although the Trustees of Pennsylvania State College are a separate and distinct corporate body, they have received and now hold their property as trustees for the People of the Commonwealth.

"The institution is dependent

upon and largely controlled by the State, and is, in fact, as its name indicates, a State institution.

"Its status is quite different from that of similar institutions which merely receive state aid from time to time. I am of the opinion that so far as relates to the application of tax laws, its property and its functions are to be deemed purely public in character."

The issue of the University's legal status has arisen in the current budget dispute. At a press conference Governor Lawrence said "I think we think it is a State University."

Speaking before a group of students, Representative J. Dean Polen, chairman of the House Appropriations Committee said "It is not a State University, it is a Land-Grant College. There is a difference."

In response to a question from Senator Jo Hays, Centre-Dem., Walker said, "There is no doubt

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## 75-Minute Periods Evaluated by Deans

By LEN KRAUSS

(This is the first of a series of articles on the effects of the four term plan.)

Is 75 minutes of class too long to go without a break?

It would seem that most professors find that it is not. In a small survey of liberal arts professors, one said that he would have a break, twenty-five said that they would not and two were undecided.

Abram W. Vandermeer, associate dean of the College of Education said that very few, if any, instructors in that school were giving breaks during the 75-minute period.

"There is no University policy on breaks. It is up to the individual professors," was the reply of Ossian MacKenzie, dean of the College of Business Administration.

It was found in talking with students that very few were getting breaks in their classes. A number of professors indicated that they would incorporate a break if they found that one was needed, but many professors said they are "feeling their way" at this point.

John E. Miller, University scheduling officer, said that the Senate has ruled out the extra week for final examinations because of the four-term plan.

As the program stands now, final exams are to be given on

the last day of class. The probability of an overload of finals on the last day of classes seemed to be of great concern to many students who were interviewed.

Miller said that if the need for final week arose, professors could recommend that the Senate rescind the last-day final ruling and return to the former final week. Professors could also schedule the final for some day before the last class day, Miller said.

Vandermeer said that final examinations should cover the term's work and that an adequate sampling of the student's ability could be obtained with a 75-minute exam.

This question of whether to give a comprehensive final as opposed to an exam on the last section of work covered has been left completely up to the professor.

MacKenzie pointed out that there is no University-wide policy on this, and that this matter is in the hands of the professor.