



—Collegian Photo by Tom Brown.

**NANCY STRINGER** receives her Miss Centre County trophy from last year's queen, Paula Wiggins. As pageant winner, Miss Stringer, sophomore in the arts from West Caldwell, N.J., will also receive an all-expense paid trip to next month's Miss Pennsylvania competition.

## Stringer Crowned

An Alaskan igloo in tribute to the 49th state set the stage on which Nancy Stringer was crowned Miss Centre County of 1962 last night by Paula Wiggins, 1961 pageant winner, in the Bellefonte Junior High School auditorium.

The Miss Centre County pageant, sponsored by the Bellefonte Area Jaycees, is an official preliminary of the Miss America contest.

The first runner-up in the competition was Margaret Schaub. Carol Wagner was second runner-up. The two other semi-finalists were Sally Mollenauer and Michele Ohrman.

**JOYCE FARNSWORTH** was selected Miss Congeniality. The entrants in the contest select the girl who will receive this award for being the most congenial during the pageant proceedings.

In the Miss Centre County pageant contests are judged in the same three categories — evening gown, talent and bathing suit — as in the Miss America competition. In addition, the five finalists are asked to answer three questions to test their poise.

## USG Sends 7 Delegates To NSA Region Meeting

To fulfill its first obligation as a temporary member of the United States National Student Association, the Undergraduate Student Government yesterday sent seven delegates to the Pennsylvania-Virginia regional conference being held in Pittsburgh this weekend.

The delegates are Whiton Paine, former Liberal party chairman; Morris Baker, USG vice president; Jeanne Alexander, East; Francis Conti, vice chairman of University party; Thomas Kiley, West; Anne Morris, Liberal party chairman; and Rochelle Michaels, advanced reporter for The Daily Collegian.

**AT THURSDAY'S** USG meeting, Congress approved the appointment of Robert Polishook, junior in pre-med from Haverford, as chairman of the float parade and homecoming studies.

Polishook, this year's Spring Week chairman, will look into the possibility of having a float

parade in the fall, specifically on Homecoming Weekend, USG president Dean Warton said.

Melvyn Schulman, junior in business administration from Haverstraw, N.Y., was approved to head the student government's fall encampment.

**SCHULMAN'S** appointment followed a short discussion questioning his ability to be chairman of encampment since he has never attended the program. He is presently chairman of the Book Exchange and has headed the Used Book Agency.

The Congress postponed action on the appointment of Ross B. Lehman, executive secretary of the Alumni Association, and Frank J. Simes, dean of men, as additional advisors to USG.

**IT ALSO** postponed voting on the appointment of Paul McPherson, sophomore in agriculture from New York, as business manager of encampment, and

## Residence Hall Phone System To Permit Local Dialing in Fall

Free service from residence hall telephones to the local dialing community will begin at the start of the fall term rather than in September 1963 as originally announced, Stanley H. Campbell, vice president for business, said yesterday.

Campbell said the agreement with the Bell Telephone Co. of Pennsylvania calls for the completion of changes in the automatic dialing equipment by September. Phone service is not expected to be interrupted during the change-over period, he added.

**THE CHANGE** in telephone policy was announced April 27 by Wilmer E. Kenworthy, executive assistant to the President.

Students will still have to use pay telephones to place long distance calls. Service to Adams, Elgin and Homestead exchanges, in addition to University numbers, will be without charge, however.

Campbell also said yesterday that student phone directories would again be printed by College Science Publishers in September.

**VIENTIANE, Laos (AP)**—Pro-Communist battalions have completed the occupation of northwest Laos in a surging advance that carried them more than 100 miles beyond the cease-fire line to the border of pro-Western Thailand.

Battered royal Laotian troops yesterday were reported fleeing across the Mekong River into Thailand after abandoning Houei Sai, last government outpost in the northwest.

**THE ROYAL** government expressed fear the Pathet Lao rebels were ready to follow up their push to the Thai border with a general offensive against the royal capital of Luang Prabang in the heart of Laos and on the administrative capital of Vientiane in the south.

The Defense Ministry said that three to five Soviet-made transports have been unloading men and war material daily at two bases in the rebels newly won territory since the fall Sunday of Nam Tha. A communique also reported movement of an artillery-equipped Red column from the rebel headquarters in the Plaine des Jarres.

**IN VIENTIANE,** King Savang Vathana appealed to Laotian leaders to try to solve the crisis peacefully. He did not name the leaders, but his remarks were clearly aimed at the rebel side. In a speech from the throne to the National Assembly, the king lauded royal army troops who, he said, are sacrificing their lives to oppose foreign invasion—a reference to Communist Vietnamese and Red Chinese units reported by the royal government to have participated in the latest thrusts.

The rebel advance, in defiance

of a demand by neutralist Prince Souvanna Phouma to halt the offensive, seemed certain to bring new demands by Thailand for action by the United States or the Southeast Asia Treaty Organization to check the rebels.

**THAILAND'S** Prime Minister, Marshal Sarit Thanarat, planned a personal inspection of the border area before deciding whether to send more Thai troops to the frontier.

"We must first find out what the Communists actually want and what they'll do next," he told newsmen.

A royal Laotian spokesman claimed three Chinese Communist

battalions attacked Houei Sai after pursuing the retreating government forces from Nam Tha, U.S. military sources, however, have discounted Vientiane claims of Red Chinese involvement.

**AN OBSERVER** said six American military aid group personnel were still in Houei Sai early yesterday, but that two American staffers attached to the Tom Dooley Foundation Hospital had moved across to Thailand with most of the hospital equipment.

Muong Sing, where the late Dr. Dooley founded a jungle hospital only five miles from Red China's border, fell last week to rebel troops.

## Rackley Endorses Student Government

Student government is important because it affords an opportunity for students to apply their education practically in preparing themselves for the future, John R. Rackley, vice president for resident instruction, said last night.

Rackley, speaking to the Organization of Student Government Associations, told the students that one of their main responsibilities as student leaders is to help the students of the various centers achieve the goals for which the University stands.

He said the University is preparing students to live in a changing world, as well as preparing them for various occupations.

**HE ALSO** urged that the student leaders strive to establish better student-faculty relationships and impress upon the students at the various campuses the fact that they act as public relations agents in showing adults the seriousness of their intentions.

"A talented young man of today is entitled to develop his talent," he said.

"If this were not the case, society itself would suffer," he added.

**THE "BABY** population of the '40's has had the benefits of "improved circumstances" because these young people now have the incentive to realize the importance

of a college education and the tradition to assume that it is essential, he said.

The OSGA conference, which ends today, includes workshops on the incorporation of honorary societies at all the commonwealth centers into a Keystone Society, the centers' fiscal policies and evaluation of the recently instituted insurance plans at the centers.

New OSGA officers will also be elected today.

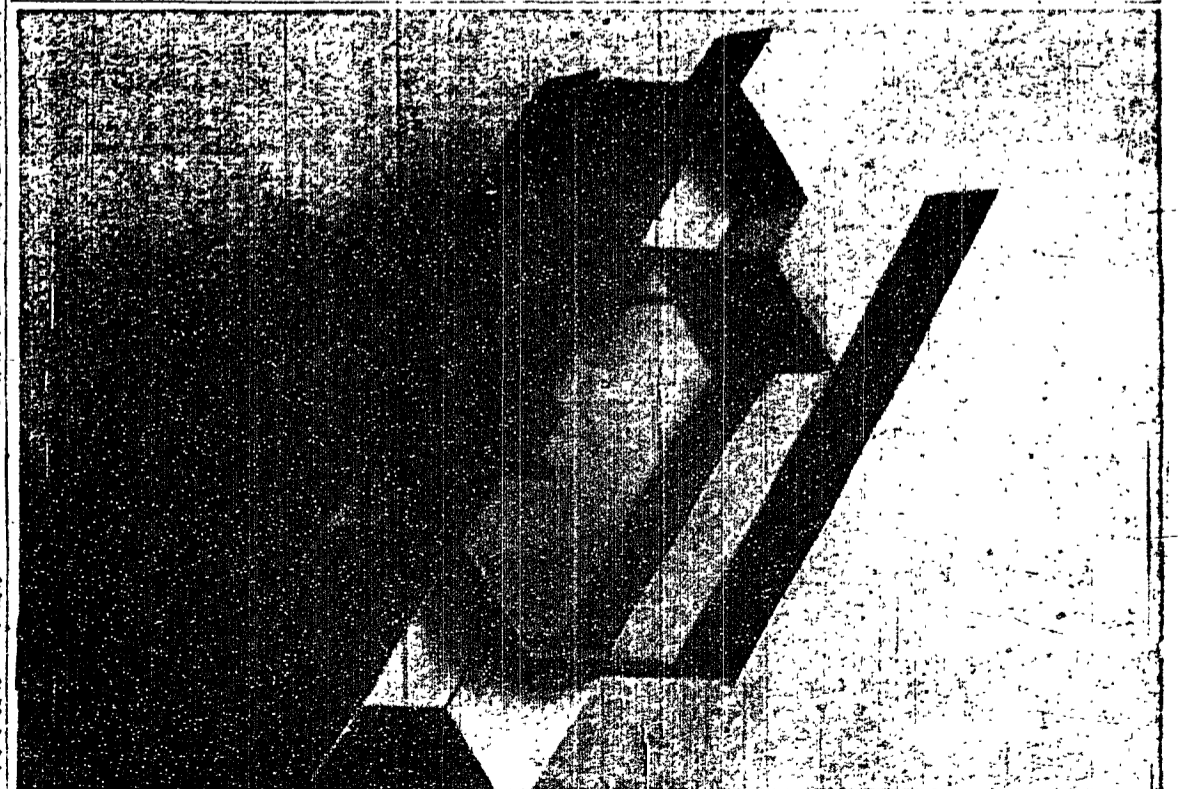
## Pleasant Weather Seen for Weekend

Pleasantly warm weather is forecast for today and tomorrow, but chilly temperatures are indicated for today and tomorrow, but chilly temperatures are indicated for tonight.

No rain is expected through the weekend except for the chance of a shower or thunderstorm tomorrow afternoon.

The band of showers that threatened to bring rain to this area yesterday passed just south of the local area. Rain fell in the southern sections of the state during the morning and early afternoon.

A high of 70 degrees is predicted for this afternoon and a maximum of 75 is likely tomorrow. Tonight's low should be near 48 degrees.



**MODULAR COMPOSITION:** This exhibit, done by Kerry Osipower, junior in architectural engineering from Sellersville, is one of several currently on display in the Hetzel Union

gallery. The display, which will continue through May 31, represents the best work of students in the departments of art, art education, and home arts.