

# India's Shastri Dies After Peace Talk

TASHKENT, U.S.S.R. (AP)—India's Prime Minister Lal Bahadur Shastri died last night, a few hours after he signed a limited agreement with Pakistan to pull back their opposing forces. He was 61.

The 5-foot-2, 110-pound Indian leader was felled by a heart attack, the Soviet news agency Tass said.

He had a history of heart disease, having been stricken by a serious attack in 1959. He became ill again in June, 1964, shortly after he succeeded Jawaharlal Nehru as leader of India's millions.

Nanda Sworn In  
In New Delhi, Home Minister Gulzarilal Nanda, was sworn in as prime minister. He held the job briefly after the death of Nehru.

The Indian nation was told Shastri's body will be flown home from Tashkent Tuesday morning.

In Washington, President Johnson described Shastri's death as "a grievous blow to the hopes of mankind for peace and progress." He said



LAL BAHADUR SHASTRI

## Nanda Named Interim Prime Minister; South Asia Peace On His Shoulders

Shastri had "proved a fitting successor to Pandit Nehru by holding aloft the highest ideals of Indian democracy."

Shastri's death injected new uncertainties into South Asia.

Ever since hostilities flared with Pakistan there had been mounting pressures in India for the elevation of a stronger, more nationalist-minded leader into the premiership.

The choice of Nanda could be a step in that direction. The question now is how Nanda will set out to fulfill the terms of the agreement Shastri reached with Ayub to strive for peace.

Shastri was to have seen President Lyndon B. Johnson next month on a postponed visit to the United States. Pakistan's President Ayub Khan, with whom Shastri signed the "Declaration of Tashkent," saw President Johnson in Washington last month.

### To Go Home Today

Shastri was to have seen President Lyndon B. Johnson today after agreeing with Ayub on eliminating most of the after effects of the 22-day undeclared war between their

countries last September.

Shastri arrived in Tashkent Jan. 3 at the invitation of Premier Alexei N. Kosygin of the Soviet Union to discuss peace between India and Pakistan.

Shastri and Ayub solved no basic quarrels in their Tashkent meeting.

But they agreed to start withdrawing troops from each other's soil and to strive for peace.

### Burden of Office

The burden of office began to tell on Shastri almost as soon as he became prime minister a year and a half ago.

Only 18 days after Shastri assumed the leadership of India on June 9, 1964, he was felled by what his government called exhaustion but what informants said was a mild heart attack.

Shastri came up from the humblest beginnings in India to attain his country's prime ministry.

Shastri's schoolteacher father died when he was 13 months old and he and his two sisters grew up with their grandfather. So poor were they that a childhood photograph was an unobtainable luxury. "I do not know what

I looked like as a young man," Shastri once said.

### With Genuine Simplicity

But the hardships of his youth endowed him with a genuine simplicity and deep understanding of the suffering of the masses, and from his humble, unassuming manner came his strength with the Indian people. Still, after the aristocratic Nehru died May 27, 1964, Shastri's succession was paradoxical.

Three months before graduation, Shastri quit high school to join the independence campaign. His activities soon landed him in prison. Released, he finished high school, entered a Sanskrit college and won the degree of "Shastri" meaning graduate in ancient scriptures. The title remained part of his name.

His education behind him, he married Lalita Devi at the age of 23 and rejoined the nationalist resistance.

### Daughter Died

Imprisoned again, he got word that his year-old daughter had died of typhoid because his family lacked money for medical care. The Shastris later had two other daughters and four sons.

Shastri developed into an adroit politician and a force in the All-India Congress party, becoming its general secretary for Uttar Pradesh State—India's most populous—at age 31.

He entered the state legislature three years later and in 1946, the year before independence, was made parliamentarian. (Continued on page three)

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## News Roundup: From the State, Nation & World

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### The State

**SHAFER'S HAT IN THE RING:** A Republican ticket of Raymond P. Shafer for governor and Walter E. Alessandrini for lieutenant governor was launched with dramatic fanfare Monday with the blessing of Gov. Scranton and other party leaders. The Shafer-Alessandrini combination, along with other recommendations for the May 17 primary ballot, will be presented to the 30-member executive committee of the Republican State Organization at a meeting in Harrisburg today. In Washington, Sen. Hugh Scott, R-Pa., said in an interview that the Republican ticket he and Scranton will recommend at the meeting will also include John Tabor, new state secretary of commerce, for secretary of internal affairs; Judge Theodore Spaulding of Philadelphia County Court, for superior court judge, and Judge Harold Watkins of Schuylkill County Court, for re-election to the superior court. Yesterday, Shafer traveled throughout the state campaigning. In Philadelphia, he talked of more aid to schools and doing something about what he called the "grinding poverty" in that city; he had comments about mine reclamation and urban renewal in the Wilkes-Barre-Scranton area, and jobs and industrial diversification at Altoona and Johnstown. At Pittsburgh, he talked of improvements in education, transportation, and conservation. Meanwhile, Rep. Richard S. Schweiker, R-Pa., who had been prominently mentioned as a possible candidate for governor, held out the possibility Monday of a primary fight against Shafer. He said he had not yet decided whether to seek the nomination, but would know by Wednesday or Thursday of this week.

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### The Nation

**TRANSIT AUTHORITY FARE-ING POORLY:** The Transit Authority pressed ahead yesterday in a demand for \$3.2 million in fines against striking subway and bus unions. Claiming it costs \$322,000 a day to maintain idle power facilities, cars, tracks and buses, the Transit Authority has brought its demand before State Supreme Court Justice Abraham N. Geller. While the hearings were going on, thousands picketed city hall, protesting the imposition of fines and shouting "We want Quill!" Quill, still in the hospital, has been reported in fair condition. Douglas MacMahon, acting in Quill's place as union leader, called the latest peace talks "completely unproductive and meaningless." MacMahon said the latest bargaining was concentrated on a \$50-million package proposed by Mayor Lindsay. However, the union leader claimed this amount was intended to be spread over supervisory employees as well as union workers, and that only a part of it would apply to the union. Yesterday, in the tenth day of the strike, 850,000 cars inched their way into Manhattan—250,000 more than normal.

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### The World

**A FOOT IN THE DOOR:** President Johnson is keeping the peace negotiations door ajar despite harsh words from Hanoi, Moscow, and Peking, Monday night, a U.S. diplomat met with a Hanoi government representative for a few minutes and handed him a message concerning U.S. proposals for peace in Vietnam. However, the meeting did not appear to mark a shift in the immediate diplomatic or military situation. The Communists were said not to have responded in any significant way so far to President Johnson's bid for unconditional discussions on settling the Vietnam war. Although the Hanoi representative accepted the U.S. communication and exchanged brief remarks with the U.S. representative, the two did not get into substantive negotiations. Publicly, the Communists have been continuing harsh denunciations of what they term U.S. imperialist aggression in Vietnam so North Vietnam's acceptance of the communication was viewed of no immediate significance. However, this was the first disclosed U.S. contract with the Hanoi regime since Johnson's current peace offensive began Dec. 24.

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## A Stacked Jury: Singers Vs. Sullivan

THE JURY MAY BE HUNG UP, but the Penn State Singers will try to make the proceedings as tuneful as possible in their performances of Gilbert and Sullivan's opera, "Trial By Jury" running at 8:30 p.m. Friday and

Saturday in Schwab. The above quintet includes (left to right) Myron Kerstetter, Ron Kross, David Watkins, Myra Lynch and James Ford. Raymond Brown will direct the performances.

## Town Officials Affirm Position

# TIM Gets Boro Help

By JANA SMITH  
Collegian TIM Reporter

Although Town Independent Men's Council housing improvement resolutions for 1966 are nothing new, they received strong endorsement by two new Borough officials at the first meeting of TIM Council last night.

Chief Francis Faxton, Borough housing inspector since Dec. 9, and Fred L. Fisher, State College Borough manager since last fall, met for the first time with the Council, to voice their desire to improve housing problems.

### Campaign Warning

Faxton told the Council he had warned the citizens of State College through other media that as soon as he had discussed this problem with the Council he was going to start moving on his inspection campaign. Every dwelling will be inspected at least once before permits are reissued, he said.

"We now have an advantage over

the landlords because there are more vacancies available than ever before," Faxton noted. "There is nothing healthier than a competitive market."

Edward Dench, TIM Council housing chairman, added that there are always the most vacancies during the spring.

Dench said that there are about 750 permits out now. These are listed with the Dean of Men and in the TIM office so interested persons can check them. Council members pointed out there are a considerable number of people living in places that do not have permits.

### Computer Help

"We want to know about those places," Faxton said, Dench replied that these would be pinpointed by the use of computers.

Faxton said houses could be vacated if landlords did not repair violations after several months notice.

Dench said all complaints will be validated and then passed on to the housing inspector.

Fisher said Faxton will be attending a national workshop in New York City next month, the Building Officials Conference of America, where a total program will be developed to educate code enforcement persons and develop a national routine code inspection.

### Apartment Meeting

In other business TIM president Edward Cressman announced he had called a meeting of the eight governing organizations on campus at the end of last term, to discuss the apartment party ruling. "We agreed to work on a joint proposal on this issue, but as of now there are no definite plans. But something will be done."

In other business, John O. Clark (11th-electrical engineering-Emporium, Pa.) was appointed Chief Justice of TIM Supreme Court, Jim Biss (8th-arts & letters-Leechburg, Pa.) appointed associate Justice and Dench was appointed commissioner of the Student Welfare and Grievance Committee.

# Fraternity Rush Begins; Hunt Asks 'Fair Practice'

By NORMAN WILLIAMS  
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Formal fraternity rush has entered its first week, with over 1,200 freshmen registered with the Interfraternity Council.

"I'll ask you to respect each other's houses," said IFC President John Hunt about fair rushing practices. Numerous regulations concerning the program were read to fraternity representatives by Rush Chairman Bob Lewis and Board of Control Chairman Dan Sutton.

### Pledging Rules

No bids may be extended to second term freshmen rushees until 5 p.m. Jan. 26. After pledging ceremonies, no rushee will be recognized as a pledge by the IFC until his card is turned into the IFC office.

The card is required in the office within 48 hours after the rushee is pledged. To aid the rush program the Rush

Committee has prepared a list of interested freshmen. Fraternities breaking rushing regulations will be subject to fines or rush restriction.

Fifteen fraternities are eligible to host coeds on Tuesday and Thursday nights, under the ruling passed by the Senate Committee last term permitting coeds in the fraternity house living and recreation rooms from 7 to 11 p.m. The privilege is extended to fraternities with outstanding averages. The Board of Control will check to see that the conditions of the rule are met by the fraternities involved. No dancing is permitted and the privilege is limited to only members and pledges of the fraternities that qualify.

Twenty-six fraternities fell below the 2.35 average minimum set by IFC for house grades. The fraternities will receive letters from the Council. The low averages coincided with an overall drop in the campus average, with both Hunt and Scholarship Chairman Jim Hicks expressing concern.

A letter of congratulations was extended to Ray Saun. (Continued on page two)

# 107 Selected For Spring Study Abroad

Selections and arrangements for this spring's Study Abroad Program were announced yesterday by the University's Study Abroad Office. A total of 107 students have been selected.

The breakdown of universities to be attended by Penn State students includes 16 at the University of Cologne in Cologne, Germany; 27 at the University of Salamanca in Salamanca, Spain; 37 at the University of Strasbourg in Strasbourg, France; 10 at the Architectural Association School of Architecture in London, England; five at the Slade School of Fine Art in London, England; and 12 the University of Florence in Florence, Italy.

### March Departure

Students participating in the program will leave March 25 from John F. Kennedy Airport in New York City and will fly by KLM DC-8 chartered jet to Amsterdam. From there each of the five groups will depart for its own city.

During their 10 week enrollment, the students will speak English in their courses for five weeks and then the language of the country for five weeks. The courses taught are Penn State ones, for which full credit is given if successfully passed. In addition, the students may audit any of the school's courses they wish. The whole program operates on the regular spring term calendar of the University.

In discussing the program arrangements, Dagobert De Levie, assistant dean of Study Abroad, commented that this Spring marks the fifth year of the program.

Since its beginning in 1962 some 500 students have benefited from this unique opportunity, he said. De Levie outlined the special orientation program that students who will study in Strasbourg, Salamanca and Cologne will take part in.

### Orientation Outline

Each of the three groups will attend its own series of meetings conducted by faculty members in varied departments concerning the country involved. The orientation will begin Saturday, Jan. 15, with a joint meeting in which Kent Forster, professor of European history, will present a "Survey of Recent Western European History."

The groups will meet together again later in the term for a talk by G. M. Guthrie, professor of psychology, on the "Pattern of Cross-Cultural Adjustments." Seven sessions have been arranged in all for the participants so they will have a better background of the countries in which they will be living and studying for 10 weeks.

Arrangements have also been made for the students to be vaccinated later this month at the Rittencour Health Center. The final event before leaving will be a farewell tea for the students March 12 in the Hetzel Union main lounge.

# G.E. Team Warming Up In Bowl Pen

It's warmup time for the University's College Bowl team.

In preparation for their appearance on the G.E. College Bowl program on Sunday, the first team of the bowl squad will stage an exhibition match against the second team at 7 p.m. tonight in 111 Arts III. The match is open to the public.

The first team consists of: David Keiter (8th - mathematics - York), Judy Reimer (8th - history - Mahaffey), Wynn Schaible (3rd - liberal arts - Broomall), and Arthur Tischer (9th - biochemistry - New York).

The second team members are: David Gill (8th - speech - Pittsburgh), Ralph McGrew (11th - physics - State College), Michael White (11th - political science - Philadelphia) and Ivan Weiss (13th - journalism-history - Philadelphia).

The idea to enter a University team in the G.E. Bowl game evolved from the success of a campus contest sponsored by the Undergraduate Student Government.

The University team is also sponsored by USG. Richard C. Maloney, associate professor of social science, is acting coach and advisor for the team.

The University team will challenge the women's division of Tulane University, (Newcomb College) on the G.E. Bowl program at 5:30 p.m. Sunday on NBC TV. Should the Penn State team prove successful, it will pit its knowledge against a new challenger the next weekend.

## Cloudy, Colder; Snow Possible

Northwestern Pennsylvania — Partly cloudy and colder today with a few snow flurries in the morning. Tomorrow partly cloudy and warmer. Highs today 18 to 23.

Southwestern Pennsylvania — Partly cloudy and colder today with a few snow flurries in the morning. Tomorrow will be partly cloudy and warmer. Highs today low to middle 20s.