

Convention Rejects Tax Amendments

HARRISBURG (AP) — Constitutional Convention delegates rejected yesterday two proposed amendments that would have removed the exemptions from real estate taxes now granted to Pennsylvania public utilities.

One amendment, introduced by delegates Blain C. Hocker of Dauphin County, would have permitted the legislators to impose a uniform, state-wide real estate tax on the operating facilities of utility companies. The state would have distributed revenue from the tax to local municipalities.

Hocker's amendment was defeated by a 101-49 vote.

The second amendment, submitted by delegate William J. C. O'Donnell of Chester County, would have permitted local government units to levy real estate taxes on utility property now immune from such taxes. It was defeated by a 90-53 vote.

Both amendments were designed to replace a Taxation and State Finance Committee recommendation that would require the state to return to all local municipalities a portion of the gross receipts tax it collects from utilities.

Opponents of the committee proposal argued that it would harm rather than help the state's financial structure by knocking a hole in the state budget.

"This proposal would not be a tax on utilities, but a tax on the commonwealth," Hocker said, pointing out that any funds taken out of the gross receipts tax would create a deficit in the General Fund.

Delegates of the committee proposal, however, argued that a real estate levy would penalize utilities, which are the only firms that pay the gross receipts tax.

Moreover, they contend that the imposition of a real estate tax would only lead to higher rates for Pennsylvania's consumers.

Former state Sen. Robert P. Casey disputed this viewpoint, however. "I am hard pressed to explain to consumers, who pay many taxes in addition to real estate taxes, why utilities should be exempt from real estate taxes simply because they have to pay tax A, B or C," Casey said.

Moreover, Casey took issue with statements that the tax would penalize utility companies. "I am not concerned with arguments that this would be unfair to or penalize utilities," he said. "From my experience in the Senate, I know that the utilities are quite capable of taking care of themselves."

The utility proposal has generated controversy since it was adopted by the tax panel two weeks ago. That action came only after extended and often heated debate.

The exemptions utilities now enjoy are not granted under a constitutional provision, but because of a series of court decisions.

Only operating facilities, such as power generating stations, are tax exempt. Utilities do pay local real estate taxes on other property, such as office buildings.



Oh, Dear, What Can the Matter Be?

ONE CAN HARDLY see the machines for all the men at the University's computer center. The Daily Collegian is running this picture as a public service to counter rumors that the computer is making man obsolete.

Ex-Communist Luce Accuses SDS of 'Infantile Leftism'

By JIM HARVEY
Collegian Staff Writer

The difference between the "advocacy of civil disobedience" and the advocacy of attempting to overthrow the government was discussed by Philip Abbott Luce last night at a symposium sponsored by the Young Americans for Freedom.

Luce, formerly a powerful member of the Peking-oriented Progressive Labor Party, warned of the danger of considering all leftist organizations, such as Students for a Democratic Society, to be subservient to Communist leadership.

Luce said, not only gives the Communists more credit than they deserve, but jeopardizes freedom of speech.

Luce criticized SDS and what he called its policy of "infantile leftism" — attempting to destroy the present society without concrete plans for rebuilding it.

Thus, Luce explained, an SDS pamphlet instructs its members to run for student government in the hope that enough of them would be elected so they could abolish it.

At its inception, Luce said, SDS was financially supported by the League for Industrial Democracy, with the stipulation that Communists could not join.

When the LID leaders detected a "close working relationship" of SDS with Communist organizations, Luce continued, they withdrew their financial aid and SDS withdrew its Communist disclaimer rule.

While Luce noted that some members of SDS desire to improve society through violence

if necessary, he said, other radical organizations such as the Revolutionary Action Movement, RAM, seek destruction to facilitate a Communist takeover of society.

RAM members, Luce told his audience, have been arrested on a wide variety of charges. According to Luce, one plot involved blowing up the Statue of Liberty, the Liberty Bell, and

the Washington Monument. Another plan was to assassinate members of the NAACP and the Urban League, hoping that blame would be placed on the Whites, and a Negro revolution would result.

Luce stressed that this anarchist disobedience should not be confused with what he termed civil disobedience aimed at social reform.

Liberal Arts Council Plans Course Guide

The Liberal Arts Student Council decided last night to push ahead with plans to publish a course evaluation guide late this winter.

According to Larry Wallace, Course Evaluation Committee chairman, the guide emphasizes will be upon interesting, little-known liberal arts courses. Joint action with other college councils is also being considered.

The council also discussed plans to sponsor a lecture by author Pearl Buck with Associated Women Students. The talk is scheduled Women's Week in April.

Speakers for the council-sponsored lecture series for the remainder of the term were announced. They are David Keynes, assistant professor of

political science; Henry Finch, professor of philosophy; Lawrence H. Lattin, professor of geomorphology; and David Shepard, instructor in theatre arts.

Leviathon, the bulletin of the College of Liberal Arts will be published tomorrow. Students may pick up copies in Sparks or the Hetzel Union Building.

In other council business, Adeno Bellegia, chairman of the Academic Dishonesty Committee, announced that 4,000 questionnaires will be mailed Friday. The questionnaires are designed to measure student attitudes toward cheating. Their return is requested by 12 noon February 22.

University Adopts New Time-Saving Computer

By BETH GOLDER
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Last year students taking computer science courses and researchers running programs were speaking to a different computer in a different computer language than those being used this term.

A modified form of time-sharing is an important advantage of the IBM Operating System/360 Model 67 computer, which has been available for general use since Oct. 1, Burton E. Squires, assistant professor of computer science said in an interview.

He explained that the University's type of time-sharing, which has been used by researchers since Jan. 4, is not the same as "time-slicing," where the computer continually switches back and forth between programs, executing several at once.

'Remote Job Entry'

Squires said the "Remote Job Entry" (RJE) system, now used by the University's 360 computer for six and one-half hours a day, enables programmers to type their programs on a keyboard which is connected to the computer. They can then type a command asking the computer to read back their program, or one to put the program on a tape or another to execute the program, which it does after a wait of at most a few minutes to finish another person's run.

Thus, while programmers cannot actively participate while the computer runs the program, they do have communication other than through cards or tapes containing their programs.

Squires said the main advantage of RJE is in saving the programmer's time, rather than the computer's. He gave the example of a professor in Electrical Engineering West sitting down at that building's typewriter terminal, printing out a program connected with research on the ionosphere, and being told the program results or errors in a few minutes.

Time, Energy Saving

This time-saving is a contrast to the previous procedure of taking the program to the computer building, which is located across the street from the Natatorium, beside East Halls, then returning after the program is run, perhaps half a day later.

Squires added that researchers using any of the 15 terminals can automatically store their programs and data in data cells or on tapes by giving the computer the appropriate command.

Concerning the use of RJE, Squires said, "we're making it as available as we can." He explained that over 1,000 students take computer science courses each term and since

there are presently only 15 terminals each student cannot be given a fair chance at using the RJE.

Presently University staff members who have research accounts and graduate students working on their theses may use the terminals, Squires said. He noted that 400 to 500 graduate students are included in this category.

He pointed out that during the regular operation of the computer, although two user programs cannot be executed at once, the much more time consuming operations of card reading, paper print-out, etc., can be done at the same time that programs are being run, through a secondary supervisory program called HASP, which was developed by the Houston branch of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) and modified by programmers at the University.

Undergraduate Benefits

A benefit of the new computer which reaches to the undergraduate students is a decreased processing time for their programs. Last year a program could only be run once a day and last term a program could be run twice. However, this term the cards for each program are put on a disk, along with others, and then these programs are run whenever the computer has free time. Thus it is now possible to resubmit a program four or more times a day.

Computer building personnel have warned however that as more and more programs are run toward the end of the term, there will be more of a lag in handling a program.

Another innovation this term is the Computation Center branch station located in the basement of Old Main. Squires said that researchers may now hand in their programs there, but since there is no key-punch laboratory for students and there is only one card reader and one card printer, the students will continue to submit programs in the computer building. The Old Main branch station is connected to the 360 computer by a broad band telephone line, Squires noted.

The change in computer language since last year, which was mentioned in the beginning of this article, is actually a change of dialect. The DAFT (Dual Autocoder Fortran Translator) computer language which was used for the old computer (the IBM System 7074 computer, which is still in use) was actually a University modification of Fortran, which is in standardized use as the main language for scientific programming. With a few modifications, DAFT programs can be converted into Fortran.

Singing Contest Set for Monday

Preliminaries for the "Greek Week-68" Sing Competition will begin at 6:45 p.m. Monday in 112 Chambers, according to Greek Week Co-Chairman Bob DiOrto. The finals for the competition will be held Friday, Feb. 23rd.

Choral groups representing the 28 participating fraternities and fraternities will sing two selections each in the competition. Each choral group, consisting of eight members — four sorority women and four fraternity men — will sing one number of their own choice. Their second arrangement will be a standard number selected by the Sing Committee.

That number is entitled "Fair Phyllis I Saw." Groups will be judged by professors from the music department for both competitions.

Howard Schulzberg, a staff member of Reed Station WMAJ, will act as emcee for the finals.

The 14 sorority-fraternity choral groups are Delta Gamma and Chi Phi, Alpha Phi and Lambda Chi Alpha, Delta Delta Delta and Delta Chi, Alpha Epsilon Phi and Zeta, Beta Tau, Alpha Sigma Alpha and Pi Kappa Alpha, Alpha Sigma Alpha and Pi Kappa Psi, Delta Sigma Theta and Omega Phi Psi, Pi Beta Phi and Phi Sigma Delta, Delta Zeta and Phi Sigma Kappa, Alpha Gamma Delta and Phi Kappa Sigma, Kappa Delta and Alpha Kappa Lambda, Alpha Chi Omega and Phi Gamma Delta, Phi Sigma Sigma and Sigma Chi, and Kappa Kappa Gamma and Tau Kappa Epsilon.

No Immediate Action On Bookstore Issue

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initial funding of the enterprise can be managed by borrowing the money. "The cost of borrowing money can then be applied to the operation throughout the year," he said. Regarding Lewis' contention that there would be "delivery and timing problems," Gerson said that any business organization would have to face these problems, whether University or privately owned.

Gerson disagreed with Lewis' comment that students are primarily interested in saving money on books, and that this would be the basic reason for having a bookstore.

As stated in the report USG prepared, Gerson emphasized that "students will not save a lot of money; our main interest is in service to students and the academic value." Gerson said he realized that the administration "cannot snap their fingers and have things happen," but that it has been a full year since USG passed the bill calling for a bookstore, with no response from the University to this time.

As a first step, Gerson said that Lewis would have to make a provision for a full-time manager in the Book Exchange in the budget, then subject it to the approval of President Walker and the Board of Trustees.

The approval for a bookstore would have to go through the same channels of the president and the trustees.

Summer Jobs

Catskill Mt. resorts are now hiring students for summer jobs. Openings for waiters, waitresses, chambermaids, life guards, counselors, etc. Experience helpful but not essential. Write for up-to-date catalog of resort hotel jobs including where to write to, jobs available and salary. Send \$1.00 to cover printing, postage and handling to Resorts International, 5314 Lee Ave., Dept. A, Richmond, Virginia.

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USG Sponsors 'Lion Line'

As part of its program encouraging student involvement, the Undergraduate Student Government is issuing a weekly publication, "The Lion Line."

Emerging every Monday, the newsletter explains USG's activities for that week.

The first edition introduced the USG ORGY program, "Organization Reviewing Government for You," the effort to have offices-to-student dialogues.

Also included in the first issue was the USG Slogan Contest, ending Feb. 12. A prize of \$25 was offered for the motto best exemplifying USG.

The second newsletter on Monday presented the USG College Bowl, currently being conducted in the HUB on various evenings.

"The Lion Line" also announced a Rat Auction, sponsored by the HUB Special Events Committee March 4.

Objects up for bidding are donated by local merchants. Proceeds will go to the USG Scholarship Fund. Editor of the paper is Ricky Feilke, assisted by Diane Gregorski, Cliff Leisinger, and an editorial staff.

In other USG news, President Jeff Long said that "students are urgently needed for the Senate Committees." He urged students to apply; applications are available for the various committees at the HUB desk.

Camp Tanalo in the Pocono Mountains

will interview on campus for General and Specialty Counselors

(men and women) February 28 and 29

Also positions for Kitchen Management Undergraduate and graduate students Family accommodations

Further information available through Office of Student Aid, 121 Grange Building. Appointments should be made in advance.

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