

Sorry . . . if you didn't take your umbrella yesterday! Becoming partly sunny and mild today. High near 70. Fair and mild tonight, low near 55. Partly sunny and warm tomorrow. High near 80. Mother's Day: Showers possible, but continued mild.

# The Daily Collegian



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# USG Rejects Penn State-IDA Break

## New USG Officers Installed Last Night

By DENNIS STIMELING  
Collegian USG Reporter

Undergraduate Student Government executive officers for the 1968-1969 academic year were installed at last night's USG meeting.

James Womer, Ted Thompson and Harvey Reeder were sworn in as president, vice president and treasurer.

In Womer's inaugural speech he stressed the role of students in today's "American multiversity." Womer said "Research is becoming primary in the University. Undergraduates have to open up dialogue and start worrying about fundamental problems."

### "Two-Way Street"

Womer stressed the importance of cooperation between the Administration and student government. He said, "It is the Administration's obligation to represent the best interests of the students first." He cautioned, however, that "cooperation is a two-way street," and said that students and student government must cooperate with the Administration, if the Administration is expected to cooperate with them.

Womer said that USG should strive to achieve the basic rights for University students. He said, "We do not have rights of academic freedom at Penn State."

In other USG action the three incoming class officers also assumed their offices and their seats on the Congress. Michael Kleeman, Larry Wallace and Robert Emery were sworn in as presidents of the sophomore, junior and senior classes.

### Farewell Address

Jeff Long, past USG president, made his farewell address to the congress last night. Long's speech stressed the importance of unity within the Congress.

He said "Put pettiness and strife aside. You have a job to do. Set your priorities and go after them."

"Your struggles next year are not going to be with the Administration, but with the student body," Long said. "You have a responsibility to be responsible."

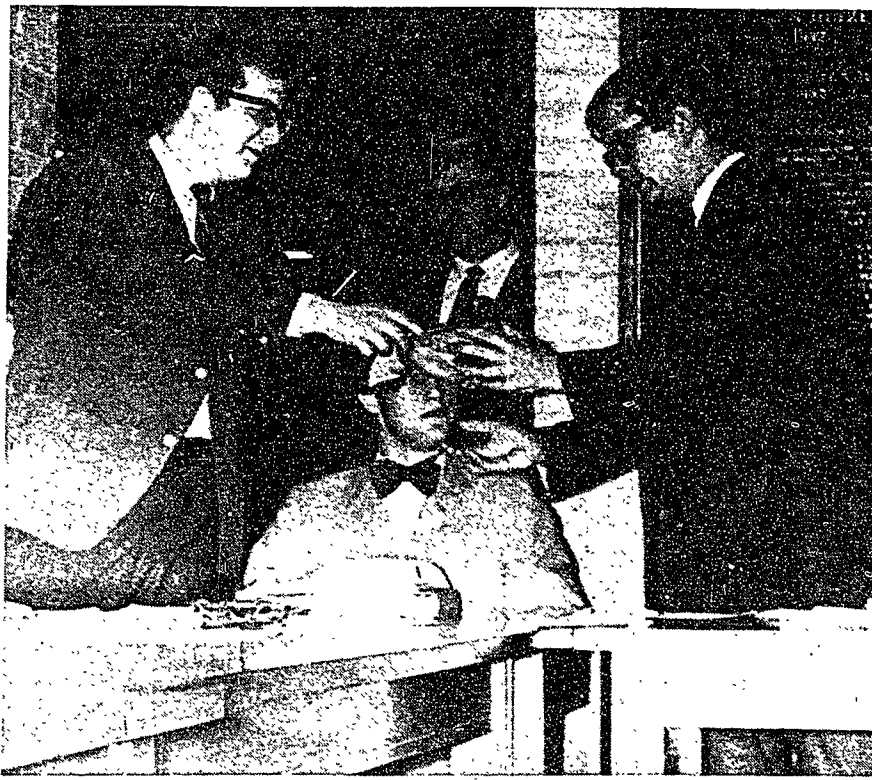
Rich Tobin, past USG treasurer, also made a farewell address to the Congress. Like Long, he stressed unity and perseverance in the student government.

### Court Justice Appointed

The new president announced the appointment of Don Antrin as USG Supreme Court Chief Justice and Parliamentarian to replace graduating senior Dan Clements.

Clements then announced that the seniors on USG had decided to make an award to an outstanding faculty member who had assisted or been interested in USG. Clements presented the award to Champ Storch, director of Associated Student Activities.

Tobin, Long and outgoing Vice President Jon Fox received awards last night from the Congress for their "outstanding devotion to student government."



Collegian Photo by Dan Rodgers

JON FOX, left, turns over the gavel to new Undergraduate Student Government President James Womer at last night's USG meeting. In his inaugural address, Womer said, "It is the Administration's obligation to represent the best interests of the students first." However, he warned that "cooperation is a two-way street."

## Liberal Arts, Education

# Colleges Announce Pass-Fail Plans

By PAT GUROSKY

Collegian Administration Reporter

The Colleges of Liberal Arts and Education yesterday announced their plans for implementing the new Satisfactory-Unsatisfactory grading system.

The College of Liberal Arts will allow students to register for as many as 12 credits on a Satisfactory-Unsatisfactory basis, but not more than one course per term.

Credit taken on a S-U basis will not be acceptable toward either the basic liberal arts requirements or the minimum credit requirements in the student's major.

If a student transfers to a major in which he has earlier taken a course on a S-U basis, he will not be required to repeat the course for a letter grade, but he will be required to substitute another course in that field.

Credits for which a grade of Satisfactory

is earned will count toward the 124 credits required for graduation.

No change from the S-U system to the conventional system of grading will be permitted.

### College of Education

The College of Education has submitted a statement for each of its nine programs describing the manner in which it will implement the S-U grading option. Policies peculiar to individual programs are available through the department heads.

Students may exercise the S-U option for 18 credits.

Consistent with the purpose of acquainting students with new areas, students who wish to use the S-U option are encouraged to take some courses during the year on this basis (usually six credit hours). Other rules on the maximum number of credits per term or per year vary from program to program.

## Town Congressman Presents 1,000 Name Petition

By DAVID NESTOR  
Collegian USG Reporter

The Undergraduate Student Government last night refused to demand that the University disaffiliate itself from the Institute for Defense Analyses.

A bill asking that the University make available all documents concerned with IDA, that the University no longer have any affiliation with the organization, was presented to the Congress by Terry Klasky, town congressman. The petition that accompanied the bill was signed by 1000 students, faculty members and alumni.

Klasky said his reason for introducing the resolution was, "I was presented the resolution by my constituents who I do represent, and for that reason I was obligated as a congressman to represent their ideas and at least initiate a dialogue on their point of view."

### Intended 'To Reveal Involvement'

Klasky said that the first part of the resolution, calling for the University to publish all knowledge in its possession about IDA, was intended "to reveal University involvement with IDA and not to reveal any secrets of confidential research. I just wanted Congress to be aware of the facts."

Klasky added, "I didn't support the second part of the bill, because I feel such action would be inappropriate at this time because Congress doesn't know the facts."

The bill was subsequently tabled and sent to a specially established committee headed by the new USG Vice President Ted Thompson.

James Creegan, one of the bill's chief

supporters, said that it is important to realize where the burden of guilt lies. "We are in a state of social turmoil where people are demanding the rights to self determination. Much of the work of IDA goes counter to this. They try to control and suppress revolts."

### 'Kept in Dark'

Creegan said that IDA is not doing defense work exclusively. "It is involved in much highly clandestine research, and the student body is kept in the dark."

Steve Gerson, chairman of the Administrative Action Committee, presented a letter to USG President James Womer summarizing a meeting with the University Vice President for Research, E. F. Osborn. The letter stated that IDA does no research at University Park, but that some faculty members do participate in research for IDA in their spare time. The letter said, "The position of the University is that it certainly cannot control what faculty members do on their own time."

Ed Beckwith, representing Awareness through Investigation and Discussion, asked for proof that IDA was keeping the education of the undergraduate student at the University.

### 'Why Have I'

Alfred Di Bernardo, a graduate student in political science, said that the individual is not affected, and that since the University neither profits nor suffers, "Why have I?"

The bill was tabled when USG decided that it really did not know enough about the organization at the present time.

After the bill had been tabled, Jeffrey Polsky, a proponent of the bill, said that all he wants the USG to do is "study the facts, look at different sides of the issue and initiate some meaningful dialogue. James Creegan said that if the USG will not act, the students will have to act independently. "There are 1,000 angry people who are not going to wait much longer."

Harvey Reeder, USG treasurer, introduced an amendment to drop the second section of the bill dealing with the University disaffiliating from IDA. Reeder said that USG was voting to sever relations with an organization that it does not know enough about.

### Sitting on Something Big

Terry Klasky, sponsor of the bill, said that the USG is sitting on something big. "We must find out what the University's role is as an educational facility."

Creegan said that the quality of this University will be enhanced if we eliminate IDA from the campus.

A spokesman against the bill said that the work of IDA is vital to the safety of the country. He said that the faculty is also entitled to academic freedom which may be impinged if this bill is passed by USG.

Creegan said that according to the fact sheet a great deal of the research done by IDA is not defensive.

Terry Klasky told the Congress in informal discussion that Creegan promised him no action would be taken until next week after the USG committee has an opportunity to study the proposal. "This is a threat, Congress, and I don't like it. But that's the way it is," Klasky told the Congress.



From the Penn State Collection

REMEMBER THE CHARGE THEY MADE? In 1905, angry students hung "Hot Air Ray," a history professor who dared to fail a large number of students, in effigy at the Corner of College Ave. and Pugh St. Oh, how can their glory fade?

# Pranks, Customs Alive in Past

By JOHN BRONSON  
Collegian Staff Writer

Penn State spirit is alive and well, for students are not merely living, but they're living it up, and they've been doing it for years.

The University has a long history of student customs, pranks, protests and occasional notoriety—giving an impression of anything but apathy.

Columbia's recent disorders are nothing new here, for 1905 was a vintage year for Penn State student strikes. The first occurred in February after the history department and particularly Professor P. O. Ray had given an exam and failed many of the first semester students.

### Boycott Classes

The sophomores retaliated by boycotting class, and hanging "Hot-Air Ray" in effigy on the corner of College Ave. and Pugh St.

Later that year the "great strike" occurred. The underlying cause was student feeling that attendance rules were too de-

manding. The immediate cause of conflict arose from a faculty notice forbidding students to use their allowed cuts just before and after vacations.

The rule irked students into action. They quit going to classes for 10 days.

### Mass Meetings

"Daily mass meetings were held to consider overtures, air new grievances, and prevent breaks in the ranks."

Eventually the students returned to class with the promise from the college that no retaliatory action would be taken, and that students would have more ready access to the administrative officers to air complaints.

To go on strike in protest may seem a bit extreme, but back in 1897 students in Dr. Pond's chemistry course were even more aggressive in their complaints.

### Shell Old Main

When he had failed many of the students on an exam, they rolled one of the cannons out in front of Old Main and shelled it. Every window from the third

floor on down was broken, along with all the windows in the Chemistry Building.

The administration must have considered the cannons annoying, for they were eventually filled with cement and mounted as memorials, but irate students found other ways to show their dislike for unpopular professors.

A custom which flourished from 1889 until the twenties was the "graveyard," where various professors were buried with considerable ceremony.

Memorials were erected and sarcastic epitaphs describing each professor in no uncertain terms stood as visual reminders of the students' complaints.

### Devil's Telegram

One of the epitaphs was in the form of a Western telegram from the devil to the students. It concerned Marsh W. White—"the big eared wonder" and the text read: "To Penn State students, He burned with a black smoke and a pungent odor."

Another one of the students' favorite ways of antagonizing

their professors was to drop bags of water on them from the upper floors of Old Main.

An article in the September, 1943 edition of Froth describes the bagging incidents. "There is a story about an inspection visit by the board of trustees which an alumnus said might be true but could not verify.

"As the tale goes, just as one of the trustees was entering the door, a big bag of water hit him square on the top of his silk topper.

### Makes It Messy

"Another favorite trick was to combine a bottle of ink with the water bag, and perhaps a handful of sand or fine dust to make it really messy for the target.

"The bags themselves were not the kind that come with a nickle's worth of candy, but ten, twenty and twenty-five pounders. Professors were fair game, which goes to show the change in the codes then and now."

One of the best known incidents of Penn State's early days is called the "Camp Suspension"

of 1889. The whole affair revolves around "Calamity" Musser and the Johnstown flood.

It seems that "Calamity" had gone home for a vacation, but did not return on time, alleging high waters as his excuse.

Since word of the flood had not yet reached the faculty, they promptly suspended him.

### Class Suspended

This action upset his class and they backed him up by cutting and examination. For this act of insubordination, the entire sophomore class was suspended.

Not to be outdone by the administration, the class "marched to the field near the University Inn (now the University Club) and pitched tents, calling the encampment "Camp Suspension."

"Here they remained for several days until the faculty, now realizing the truth of the flood story, reinstated the class without further ado."

(Note: All material for this and the following articles has come from the Penn State Collection in Pattee Library.)

from the associated press

# News from the World, Nation & State

## Paris Peace Talks Begin Today

PARIS — The top negotiators for the United States and North Vietnam arrived in Paris yesterday and insisted that serious efforts would be made to end the Vietnam war in preliminary talks opening today.

North Vietnam's special ambassador, Xuan Thuy, 55, a smiling diplomat in a gray suit, came in a Russian-built plane several hours ahead of U.S. Ambassador W. Averell Harriman. They traveled to Paris from Hanoi by way of Peking and Moscow.

French sources said that the talks would start this afternoon. This plan was subject to approval by Harriman and Thuy. Both men are due to see French Foreign Minister Maurice Couve de Murville in separate meetings in the morning.

## American Troops Defeat Enemy Attacks

SAIGON — Enemy forces hammered at sectors of Saigon yesterday, adding to the toll of civilians and the flow of refugees in an apparent effort to influence peace talks about to open in Paris.

About 2,000 troops of the U.S. 9th Infantry Division were thrown into the battle and beat off enemy attempts to break into Saigon from the south and east, an American spokesman said.

But early today, the Viet Cong still clung to footholds in the flaming ruins of shell-shattered blocks along the capital's southern rim, six days after they opened their attack on Saigon.

The flow of refugees from the fighting fronts rose sharply and the food supply in Saigon sank dangerously. Food prices soared.

## Soviets Nearing Polish-Czech Border

WARSAW, Poland — Rumors of Soviet troop movements near the Polish-Czech border spread in Warsaw yesterday and the movement of some Western diplomats was restricted. The Polish Communist party newspaper, Trybuna Ludu, aimed a blast at the "alien, anti-Socialist trend in the political life of Czechoslovakia" and demanded that it be "forcibly silenced."

Washington sources reported that Polish sources had turned back an American political officer on his way from Warsaw to the Polish-Czech border, and the British Foreign Office disclosed that two of its military attaches had been prevented from leaving Warsaw.

## Johnson Uncertain on Tax Surcharge

WASHINGTON — Senate-House conferees adopted formally yesterday a measure to boost taxes \$10 billion and cut federal spending \$6 billion—thereby moving President Johnson closer to a thorny choice.

If accepted by the House and Senate, the legislation will present the President with the choice of accepting it

to get the added revenue he feels the country needs or rejecting it to avoid a spending cut he has said runs counter to the national interest.

The White House gave little indication yesterday which course he will take.

## Solution to Cheyney Unrest Sought

HARRISBURG — The State Board of Education adopted a resolution yesterday supporting the Department of Public Instruction in seeking solutions to problems of student unrest at Cheyney State College.

By unanimous vote, the board urged Gov. Shafer and the legislature to speedily provide the funds necessary to remedy deficiencies immediately.

The resolution did not detail what, if any, deficiencies existed, but students had demanded improvements in areas of curriculum, faculty and physical plant.

## Student Competes for 'Shower Power'

NEW WILMINGTON — The news won't make the splash that pitcher Jim Catfish Hunter's perfect game did. And there will be no wave of surprise like that which rippled across America after Dancer's Image was disqualified as winner of the Kentucky Derby.

But in his own quiet way, Dave Mills, 19, of Westmin-

ster College is slowly but surely, drop-by-drop, closing in on a record.

In the shower stall of a motel room in this Western Pennsylvania college town, Mills, clad only in swimming trunks, sits patiently, but somewhat drowsily, on a chair while water from the shower head beats against his skin—minute-after-minute, hour-after-hour.

## Injunction Stops Sleep-In at Temple

PHILADELPHIA — A show of force by some 500 policemen under the personal command of Police Commissioner Frank L. Rizzo, changed the minds of some 150 student demonstrators at Temple University last night about testing a court order banning campus protest gatherings.

The injunction had been issued yesterday morning to break up a sleep-in of 51 students in ivy-covered Milton Hall, the campus social activities center. The demonstration had been called to protest university policy on student participation in university administration and other complaints. Temple has an enrollment of 35,000 full and part-time students.

Last night's gathering capped a day of student vituperation against university officials and several rallies in protest of the court injunction.