HARRISBURG: DECISION TO RECONSIDER

The State Senate decided last Thursday to reconsider the University's $17 million appropriation along with $280 million in non-preferred appropriations to other colleges and universities throughout the state, including those that they had already approved. Senators have postponed their scheduled prelection recess and now plan to stay in session this week to try to reach an agreement on a program to fund the appropriations.

As the senators and representatives returned to the capitol yesterday, the University joined with other affected institutions in putting the final signatures on a Declaration of Common Concern calling for support for passage and funding of these appropriations. The Declaration bears over 200 signatures of key labor leaders, corporate executives and leaders of professional groups and many others. It is being sent to all state legislators and published in newspapers in Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Harrisburg, Scranton, Erie and other areas in an effort to make the entire Commonwealth aware of the situation Pennsylvania higher education is facing.

Parents and alumni who live in Pennsylvania are receiving a letter from President Meyerson this week urging them to contact their legislators. The letter and an accompanying fact sheet stress the University's practical contributions to the Commonwealth—the taxes its employees pay, the number of gifts and grants that come to the Commonwealth through the University and the number of people employed by the University.

On Saturday, October 29, the University's General Alumni Board passed a resolution expressing the concern of University alumni, particularly the 49,500 who live in the Commonwealth. The University's Commonwealth Relations Council is also involved in an effort to explain the University's position to legislators.

The third in a series of regional meetings for key alumni of the University, Temple, Penn State and Pittsburgh will be held in Hershey to enlist their support in contacting the legislature. President Meyerson and President John Oswald of Penn State will be among those attending that meeting. Other regional meetings were held in Philadelphia and Pittsburgh in October.

In addition, President Meyerson's statement "On Labor Relations and the State Appropriation" (Almanac October 25) appeared as an advertisement in the Philadelphia daily newspapers on Sunday and Monday and is scheduled to appear today in The Philadelphia Tribune.

TRUSTEES

The full Board of Trustees at its meeting on October 27 and 28 received information on topics ranging from CIA research to the state appropriations.

In his report, President Meyerson said the Burson-Marsteller communications report had been made available to all Trustees and would be discussed at the Executive Board of Trustees meeting on November 16.

Stephen B. Burbank, General Counsel, reviewed the University's interim report on CIA research, and Vice-Provost D. N. Langenberg, chairman of the ad hoc committee, described the committee's charge.

The status of the state appropriation bill was explained by E. Craig Sweeten, senior vice-president, Program for the Eighties.

Provost Eliot Stellar outlined efforts to tighten control on the size of the faculty. He noted that position control as well as budgetary control in tenured appointments was now under consideration. He also said that the University has submitted a report on visual communications to Ambassador Walter Annenberg and is awaiting his reply. He told of some of the faculty's concerns on the Trustees' Report on Administrative Structure (Almanac September 13) and said he could report in more detail in December to the Trustee's Executive Committee.

Vice-Provost Patricia McFate then reported on admissions and on progress of the search for a new director. Paul O. Gaddis, senior vice-president for management and finance, updated Trustees on the labor dispute. D. Bruce Johnstone, vice-president for administration, reported that an improved collection procedure and the University's successful court challenge to a student who declared bankruptcy were two steps in keeping Penn's low student loan default rate of nine percent.

Following a thorough report by Trustee Reginald H. Jones on the work of the Board of Overseers of the Wharton School, the Trustees received and acted on their committee reports.

BAKKE CASE: UPDATE

Mr. Burbank explained the status of the Bakk case to the Trustees. He said that on October 17 the Supreme Court issued an order calling on Mr. Bakke and the University of California to submit supplemental briefs discussing Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 as it applies to the case. Title VI bars discrimination in any program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance and applies to state and private institutions. If the case is decided under Title VI, the University's admissions policies would be directly affected. Mr. Burbank added that we are reasonably confident that Penn's interests will be protected by the University of California's brief.

ELECTED: TRUSTEE, OVERSEEERS

Mr. Ralph Saul was elected to the Board of Trustees for a five-year term beginning on November 1. Mr. Saul is chairman and chief executive officer of INA Corporation and Insurance Company. He has served on the advisory committee of the Law School's Center for Financial Research.

The Trustees appointed four new members to the Boards of Overseers. Lord Annan, O.B.E., Provost of University College, London, has become a member of the Board of Overseers for the Faculty of Arts and Sciences. New members of the School of Social Work's Board of Overseers are Lucy McCoy Sayre (Mrs. Robert W. Sayre) and Wendy Mann Hornick (Mrs. Louis Hornick II), C'73, SW'75. Joan Ferguson Pew (Mrs. R.
ASSISTANT COMPTROLLER: MS. BLANCHARD
Ms. Barbara Blanchard became assistant comptroller of the University on October 1, 1977.

ANNUAL GIVING: CHALLENGERS RECOGNIZED
The Trustees passed a resolution expressing their appreciation to the nine University Trustees and alumni who established the challenge fund for the Million Dollar Match, which will hopefully increase participation and enable the 1977-78 Annual Giving program to reach its goal of $4.5 million. The nine contributors are Leonard Block, W'33, I. W. Burnham II, W'31, John W. Eckman, W'43, Ralph Landau, ChE'37, Leonard Lauder, W'54, David J. Mahoney, W'45, Donald T. Regan, H'72, John H. Ware III, W'30 and an anonymous donor.

CAMPAIGN: HALFWAY TO GOAL
The Program for the Eighties has reached the halfway mark, according to Trustee John W. Eckman, chairman of the Program's operating committee. Mr. Eckman announced a total of $127,608,001 in gifts and pledges to the campaign at the Development Plenary Session of the Trustees on Friday. This represents an increase of $15 million since the last Trustees meeting in June.

Since the Program for the Eighties began, the University has received $55,720,071 for endowment, $46,285,462 in term, or spendable, funds, $20,849,081 for facilities and $14,753,387 in gifts not yet allocated.

Mr. Eckman also explained the breakdown of gifts by source. The University received $66,190,322 from individual givers, which represents 50 percent of the campaign's goal in this category. $17,804,485, or 53 percent of the goal, has been raised from corporations. $32,998,687, or 47 percent, is in from foundations; and associations have contributed $10,614,507, or 57 percent of the campaign goal.

ACTION: FINANCE
At the recommendation of the Finance and Operations Committee, the Trustees agreed to finance the purchase of a body scanner, the upgrading of an electric substation for the new medical buildings, and the conversion of utilities at the TRINEB building to the University utility system.

SENATE

AGENDA FOR NOVEMBER 30
The Faculty Senate will meet on November 30 from 3 to 6 p.m. in Room 200 College Hall. On the proposed agenda for this meeting are the following items:
1. Ratification of action taken on behalf of the Senate by the Senate Advisory Committee (SAC) regarding the Grievance Commission.
2. Consideration of recommendation from SAC regarding reallocation review procedures and faculty appointments in schools being discontinued.
3. Consideration of a Senate report on professionally oriented undergraduate education at the University.
4. Consideration of action on the<Wharton faculty's resolution to extend the pre-tenure period.
5. Consideration of recommendation concerning administrative structure, as occasioned by the Trustee report.
6. Consideration of a plan to restructure the Faculty Senate.

COMMITTEE CALLS FOR SUGGESTIONS
The Faculty Senate Committee on Administrative Structure (Almanac October 11) is now meeting and invites faculty members to make suggestions on issues such as improvement in the process of faculty consultation in the University or in the functioning of the offices of the President and the Provost. Contact the committee through its convener, Robert F. Lucid, Faculty Senate, 303A College Hall/CO, Ext. 6943.

STAFF
All of these changes were announced before the October 21 hiring freeze.—Ed.

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
Dr. Dylis Winegrad, who has worked with President Meyerson on several assignments, has been appointed assistant to the President for special projects. The new administrative aide in the President's office is Dr. Gillian Norris-Szanto, formerly a staff writer in the stewardship office of the department of development and university relations. Charles Cherry comes to the President's office as a fellow of the American Council of Education.

UNIVERSITY MUSEUM
The University Museum has named three administrators to newly-created posts. They are Ronald J. Goff, museum secretary; Mary Elizabeth King, keeper of collections; and Alan M. Cook, keeper of publication services.

AROUND CAMPUS
Nancy Arnold has been promoted to assistant librarian at the Biddle Law Library.
Arnold Dennis is the new food production manager at Stouffer Commons.
New manager of the Soupery at 1920 Commons and assistant manager of the entire Commons is Peter Dickstein.
Linda Jewell has been appointed landscape architect in the department of facilities development.
Kathleen Kaznica has become manager of the Graduate Dining Commons at the Law School after eight years at HUP.
Sally Klein is the new staff writer in the stewardship office of the department of development and university relations.
John B. Koser, former food production manager at Stouffer, is now manager of Stouffer Commons.
The new assistant director for alumni clubs and regional programs in the department of alumni relations is Cynthia G. Odell, formerly a member of the department of organizational development and training.
Robert B. Phelan has been appointed associate director for operations of the dining services.
Maria Tarnawsky has been made assistant librarian at the Biddle Law Library.

ALMANAC
Consulting editor Michele M. Steege has joined the Almanac staff on an interim basis to work with assistant editor Marilyn Ackerman while a search is conducted for a new editor.
Former editor Karen C. Gaines has left the University to become development counselor for Claremont University Center in California. Members of the University may contact Ms. Steege or Ms. Ackerman concerning publication of material. Almanac's deadline remains the Tuesday before the Tuesday of issue, with early notice appreciated on long documents.

PARENTS WEEKEND
Friday and Saturday, November 11 and 12 will be Parents Weekend here at the University. On that weekend we expect up to a thousand parents of sophomore and transfer undergraduates to be our guests on the campus.
We have found over the years that one of Friday's high points for many parents is the experience of going to classes with their sons and daughters. The members of the faculty have always taken this friendly intrusion in good grace and have proceeded with their usual mode of teaching. I trust that they will do so again this year.
Should other opportunities arise during the weekend for us to make any of these parents feel welcome on the campus, I know they will appreciate it.
— Eliot Stellar, Provost
Hiring Suspension

Following is the text of a bulletin sent October 25 to all deans, directors, department heads and budget administrators.

Effective October 21, 1977, there is imposed a suspension on all hiring at the University. This ruling applies to all positions and extends to all schools, divisions and departments.

Exceptions will be considered only for those positions supported by sponsored research (accounts in subledger 5) and the group practices and must be approved by the Provost. Wherever possible, internal candidates will be given priority in any hiring on sponsored research grants.

This procedure will remain in effect pending adoption of a longer-range procedure for position control and reduction.

—Gerald L. Robinson.
Executive Director of Personnel Relations

Honors

Dr. Fay Ajzenberg-Selove, professor of physics, has been appointed to the DOE/NSF Nuclear Science Advisory Committee (NUSAC).

Dr. J. David Cummings, associate professor of insurance, has received an award for one of the three best articles published in the Journal of Risk and Insurance during 1977. His article was entitled "Risk Management and the Theory of the Firm."

Dr. Claire M. Fagin, dean of the School of Nursing, has been elected to the board of directors of Provident Mutual Life Insurance Company. She is the first woman director in the company's 113-year history.

Dr. Harold H. Frank, associate dean of the Annenberg School of Communications and assistant clinical professor of group dynamics in psychiatry in the School of Medicine, has been appointed a member of the Task Panel on Public Attitudes and Use of Media for Promotion of Mental Health of the President's Commission on Mental Health. Mrs. Rosalyn Carter is the Commission's honorary chairperson. Dr. Frank also serves as chairman of the Steering Committee on Communications of the American Foundation for Negro Affairs.

Dr. Frank F. Furstenberg, Jr., associate professor of sociology and an associate of the Center for Population Research, received an achievement award from the National Alliance Concerned with School-Age Parents at its national conference October 23-26 in Washington, D.C.

A. Leo Levin, professor of law, was honored for his outstanding achievements on behalf of the legal profession and the cause of education in Israel at a testimonial dinner October 9, held by the Legal Division of the Philadelphia Friends of Hebrew University.

Dr. Edward B. Shils, professor of management and director of the Wharton Entrepreneurial Center, recently was named consultant to the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada. He was asked to make a management analysis of the R. S. McLaughlin Research Center at the University of Alberta in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada. Dr. Shils also was recently elected a member of the board of directors of the Penn Federal Savings and Loan Association.

American Council of Learned Societies

The American Council of Learned Societies has awarded fellowships and grants to six Penn faculty members.

Dr. Richard S. Dunn and Dr. Barry L. Eichler were among the 93 recipients of post-doctoral fellowships. Dr. Dunn, professor of history, will research slave life on two plantations in Jamaica and Virginia; and Dr. Eichler, associate professor of oriental studies, will research Nuzi and Mesopotamian family life.

Dr. Donna F. Shai, lecturer in oriental studies, was one of 56 recipients of grants-in-aid to recent Ph.D. recipients. Her research project is the change in the folk literature of the Jews of Zakho after immigration to Israel.

Among the 31 fellowships awarded to recent Ph.D. recipients was Dr. Michele Richman, assistant professor of French, who will study Georges Bataille and French intellectual currents, 1930-1970.

Dr. Aron J. Katsenelinboigen, visiting lecturer in economics, will research vertical and horizontal mechanisms in the Soviet economy as part of a program on Soviet Studies, sponsored by ACLS and the Social Science Research Council. Post-doctoral grants were awarded to 10 faculty from 10 colleges and universities.

Dr. Paul J. Korshin, associate professor of English, will study Johnson's Rambler with a grant-in-aid for post-doctoral research awarded to 107 scholars from 83 academic institutions.

Mellon Fellows

Six Andrew W. Mellon Fellows in the Humanities for 1977-78 have been appointed by the Humanities Coordinating Committee of the Faculty of Arts and Sciences. These six post-doctoral fellows will devote the year to investigating aspects of the topic "Style, Change and Social Thought in the Period c. 1650-1830" and will participate in a joint seminar stressing the common elements of their research. The six fellows, their topics and department affiliations are:

Dr. Dianne Ames (English) Eighteenth Century Theories of Perception;

Dr. Christopher Brunner (South Asia studies) Sunnite Islam on the Indian subcontinent;

Dr. Robert Fishman (history of art) The Origins of Suburbia 1770-1830;

Dr. Sharon Kettering (history) Criminality at Marseilles 1650-1830;

Dr. Harry Stout (history) Egalitarian Communications in 17th and 18th century New England;

Dr. Richard Swiderski (anthropology) Culture Contact between China and the West as a Problem in Reciprocal Relations.

The topic for 1978-79 will be "Ideology and Form: Modes of Description and Representation in their Connection with Theories of Experience and Reality." Requests for information and applications should be addressed to Dr. Alfred J. Rieber, 208 College Hall, or Dr. Ross Kraemer, 110 Logan Hall.

National Science Foundation

The 1976 National Science Foundation's annual report contained four references to University of Pennsylvania research work. These reports to the President and U.S. Congress traditionally include brief descriptions ("nuggets" in NSF jargon) on particularly significant NSF-funded research. In materials research, Penn with three "nuggets" is the only institution with more than a single mention. The Penn faculty, their school affiliations and research subjects are:

Molecular bonding on metal surfaces: Dr. Jack Fischer and Dr. Lincoln Vogel, Electrical Engineering and Science and LRSM.

Intercalated graphite: Dr. Ward Plummer and Dr. Paul Soven, Electrical Engineering and Science and LRSM.

Molecular bonding on metal surfaces: Dr. Ward Plummer, Dr. Torgy Gustaffson, Dr. J. Robert Schrieffer, and Dr. Paul Soven, Physics and LRSM.

Fatigue in metals: Dr. Campbell Laird, Metallurgy and Materials Science and LRSM.

Photosynthesis: Dr. P. Leslie Dutton, Biochemistry and Biophysics.

Meeting on Dispute

A Committee of Concerned Faculty and Staff will meet on the housekeeping situation on November 9 at 1 p.m. in Houston Hall. For information, call me at Ext. 7867.

—Dr. Eileen Gersh
Department of Biology
THINGS TO DO

LECTURES
Hear about Bilingual Education at P.S. 234 from Peter Negroni at a Graduate School of Education colloquium November 1, 3:45 p.m. Room A-36, Education Building.

On November 2 at 4 p.m. in Room 200 College Hall the Friends of the Library sponsor a lecture by Jacques Barzin on The Future of Reading: Obstacles in the Way.

Van pooling? It is already underway for 14 people living in the Drexel Hill area who work at the University, HUP and Wistar. Since early September this group, with driver/coordinate Tom Cooper, has been traveling the 30-mile round trip to and from work in a University leased luxury van. In addition to sharing the comfort, convenience and companionship of van pooling, the group finds that their travel expenses—$1.50 per day for each rider—are lower than what they were to drive or take the train.

The enthusiasm of the group is contagious. Other van pools are now forming. A group living in the Media area will become University van pool #2. Other potential van pools lack only one or two riders or a person interested in driving in exchange for free transportation, some extra income and use of the van on weekends. These van pools will probably be originating from the following areas: Chestnut Hill; Germantown, Prospect Park, Broomall; Havertown, New Jersey (Cherry Hill; Haddonfield), the Main Line (west of Villanova) and the Northeast (along the Boulevard). Anyone interested in van pooling or wishing further information should contact Tony Smith of Facilities Development at Ext. 5831. All University, HUP, Wistar and CHOP employees are eligible for the program.

FILMS
Man with a Movie Camera and Potemkin play in Documentary Film Series November 2 at 4 and 7 p.m. in Studio Theater, Annenberg Center. See Perus, the Next Place and One Thousand and One Years Ago at 5 p.m. November 3, Rainey Auditorium, University Museum.

On November 3 Umberto D shows at the International Cinema at 7:30 and 9:30 p.m. The film November 4 is Orpheus at 4, 7:30 and 9:30 p.m. All showings take place in Hopkinson Hall, International House. $1.

Sleuth is on campus November 4 at 7:30 and 10:30 p.m. in Irvine. On November 5 The Last Detail plays at 7:30 and 10 p.m. in Fine Arts Auditorium. Admission: $1.

Hunger, Man in Space and Turning A Sphere Inside Out are among the films shown in a computer generated film festival on November 8 at 8 p.m. in Alumni Hall, Towne Building.

MIXED BAG
As a result of a recent survey which indicated that 90 percent of all American high school students read at least one book per year, the Pennsylvania Department of Education has decided to increase its funding for reading programs. The survey also revealed that more than half of the students who read more than one book per year are female. This information is being used to plan a new Reading Curriculum for the state's schools.

In the next few weeks, the curriculum will be available for free download from the Pennsylvania Department of Education's website. The curriculum includes lesson plans, activities, and suggestions for integrating reading into other subjects. It is hoped that this new initiative will help to increase reading among all students, regardless of gender.