

COUNCIL NEWS

By Pat Darrab

The meeting was called to order by President Red O'Neill. A Red Cross drive announcement was given by Mr. Turner who stated that the drive would end tomorrow, March 15. Money will be collected in each section by the representative. Red Cross literature, stickers, cards and buttons will be distributed. Pledge cards for large contributions can also be obtained. Results of the drive will be announced in the *BTI News* on March 21.

Jim Reid reported a \$68.00 loss on the pep rally and home coming game to which \$196.00 was allotted.

Bernie Pawlowski suggested that a permanent holder for student council records be obtained. It was decided by Mr. Spring that a bookstore donation would take care of the problem.

The student loan fund has given out \$95.00 and can still be tapped for more.

A financial balance of \$2174.00 was reported by Treasurer Norm Loch.

A motion was made by Bernie Pawlowski that \$10.00 be used for the purchasing of cartons of cigarettes, flowers and candy for those hospitalized and that the cash box be reimbursed monthly. The motion was carried.

The lounge was closed last week for the purpose of a clean-up campaign. It will be up to the students to place empty coke bottles in the containers for that purpose. Some of the cigarette bins have disappeared from the lounge, which means either a long walk for smokers or a messy floor.

Every room in the institute was recently equipped with a pencil sharpener fastened securely to the wall. Some rooms now lack this handy gadget and will have to remain without one for the rest of the year.

Since an Alma Mater has not been written by the students, student council appointed Bernie Pawlowski, Chairman with Jim Reid and Charlotte Dixon on a committee to investigate the prospects of obtaining help from some outside Musical Director and Arranger.

Glee Club to Present Easter Program Soon

The Institute Glee Club has become one of the most vital organizations of the Buffalo Institute. Each Monday evening affords a new opportunity for student and faculty vocalists to raise their voices in meeting the challenge of the music introduced by Ken Gill, director of the Glee Club. Not all members of the club are accomplished musicians, but each of the four vocal sections can boast of several excellent voices.

The Glee Club has presented two fine programs this season, with a third in view for Easter Week. If you can sing and are willing to spend an hour with us each Monday evening, you are most welcome in the Institute Glee Club.

Theta Gamma Raffles Victor Portable Radio

PHI THETA GAMMA, BSTI's leading fraternity is holding a raffle for the purpose of raising funds for their treasury. Although PHI THETA GAMMA is only a few months old, it has already become "national" and at the present time is expanding.

The grand prize in the raffle is an RCA Victor portable radio. Two prizes, one of ten dollars and one of five, will be given to those selling the most tickets. Members and pledges of the fraternity are not eligible for the radio.

BSTI Flames Lose, 56-43

Buffalo State Technical Institute was eliminated, 56-43, by Cobleskill, at Binghamton, in the first round of the first annual State Institute Basketball Tournament which started last Thursday. Brooklyn Institute cagers won over Binghamton 58-57 on Friday with Farmingdale placing as consolation winner, making 50 points to White Plains 45.

A number of holes were found in the back of the juke box, one of the reasons for the need of its repair. Students are asked to turn into Red O'Neill the names of anyone whom they see destroying school equipment. Destructive students caught will be suspended from school until their cases are brought before student court and cleared. The juke box will be repaired this week.

PAL'S CORNER

By Paul Paladino

Spring — oh, boy! It looks as if spring is on its way — At least that is what Leo Smigiero O - 2 thinks— as he told me yesterday, he "hoih boids choiping"—

By the way, what is the definition of spring??? — well here is my opinion.

SPRING—"When a young man's fancy turns to what a girl has been thinking of all winter."

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Wesley Ching, Optical Graduate '49, is doing very well for the American Optical Company at Honolulu, Hawaii—He is primarily engaged in sales but by the looks of recent reports he is helping out the shop boys quite a bit. Nice going, Wes!!

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Fabian Catalano, another Optical Graduate '49, is with the Optical Service of Florida. Fabian writes that he expects to pay us a visit in June—here's hoping it isn't too warm for him in Florida!!

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Any member of BSTI who has a car with a loud exhaust pipe, fender skirts or any other distinguishing hot-rod features can consider himself a full fledged member of our "HOT ROD" Club which is now functioning in our parking lot.

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The stork has again visited our Optical Section — this time Stanley Barza is the proud father of a 7½ lb. baby boy, born Friday, March 3, 1950. Congratulations, Stan!!!

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Another BSTI student is to be congratulated although a little late—On December 15, 1949, a baby boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Gene Eusanio at Millard Fillmore and he topped the scales at 8 lbs. 10 ozs.—Gene was out on co-op. at the time, so that is why we just learned of the birth!!!

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The "grape-vine" has rumored that the newly formed Buffalo Beta sorority is seeking a brother fraternity—O.K. boys, don't rush!!!

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As you have probably noticed, the name of my column has been changed from "Passing Thoughts" to "Pal's Corner." This column is for students and faculty, so if anyone has any notices, jokes, engagement announcements or anything of interest to us all, please leave it in the *BTI News* box in care of Paul Paladino 0-2.