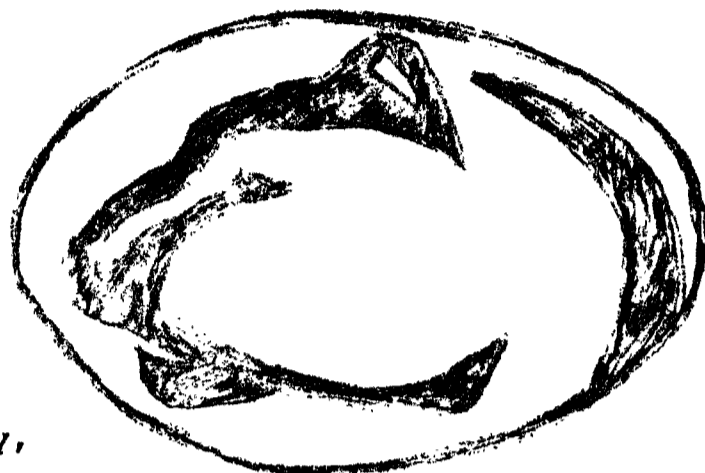STUDENT
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" CHRISTMAS SPIRIT "

Laughter and excitement rang throughout the Commons on Sunday, Dec. 11, as the Student Union Board sponsored the Annual Christmas party for underprivileged children. The day began at noon, as 40 children swarmed The Commons and made themselves at home. 25 student volunteers gladly helped in entertaining the children throughout the day. A cartoon was shown and games were played, but the most exciting part of the day occurred when Santa, played by Alan Roman, arrived with six elves. Santa's little helpers were portrayed by Sandy Wayne, Noel Burke, Traci Watson, Ann Marie Gentilesco, Mitch Brown, and Art Gross. The gifts for the children were donated by Boscovs, K-Mart, Peoples First Bank, Strohemans, Hazleton National Bank, Belltrami, and "The Standard Speaker." Valley Transit provided the transportation for the children to and from the Salvation Army free of charge. Mr. Chrone kindly helped with the food expense also.

The Christmas spirit was evident, as all that participated in the festivities graciously donated gifts, time, and money for the benefit of the children.

SEMI---FORMAL

TOTAL---ENJOYMENT

The S.G.A sponsored this year's annual ChristmasSemi-Formal, which took place at the Lobitz Safari Room Friday, December 9.

Smiling couples arrived at 6:30 to have their pictures taken by Diana Photographers. The festivities commenced with a family-style dinner at 7:30. Sufficiently stuffed, the crowd of 162 was ready to rock. A soda bar was set up, then Rogue performed from 9:00 to 1:00 a.m. The enthusiastic crowd cheered them on and danced

THE
"G.P.A."

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The bells are ringing, but Christmas carols are heard now, as the snow begins to fall softly on the campus grounds, signifying the coming of Christmas break, and more importantly, the end of the semester. Students are busily trying to predict their grade point averages.

The University uses the system of assigning a specific amount of points for each letter grade. For example, an A equals four points, a B equals three points, a C two points, a D one point, and an F constitutes zero points. The number of credits per course multiplied by the grade points equals the grade points for each course. For example, a grade of a B in a three credit course equals 9 points. The semester average equals the semester total of grade points divided by the total number of credits received. The cumulative average is calculated by dividing the total number of credits scheduled in all semesters into the total grade points.

A student must have a C average or 2.0 in order to graduate. If a student's grades fall below 2.0, that student should consider him or herself in academic difficulty. The Dean's List requires a 3.5 G.P.A., figured for each semester separately.

Grades will be sent to the students' permanent address around