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DEAR SANTA CLAUS:

It's too bad that Christmas doesn't come at the end of the semester because that is the only time that most students believe that there really is a Santa Claus. Right now there seems to be considerable doubt as to your existance. We don't know, of course, just how you feel about the whole matter, but we should imagine that it would cause you a little worry to realize that so many intelligent people scoff at the idea of a Santa Claus. So in the interest of all concerned we propose that you show some of them just what you can do if you really put your mind to it.

For your benefit we have listed here a few presents that should be welcome around here. Of course it isn't complete but it will give you something to work on.

The Players would like to have a few good shows and while you're at it tell them not to take the people so seriously who don't like dirty words in their drama.

The Hat Societies need something to do and some bad weather so they will have an excuse to wear their hats.

Please send Student Tribunal some fruit. Razzberries would be nice.

A rude awakening is what the political cliques need, but we don't suppose much can be done about that until this spring.

George Ebert of Gnd. & Bldg., would like to have just lots and lots of colored lights to hang on the trees, the tower, the flag poles, and anything else that's handy. All the co-eds who eat in Mac Hall would like a few good dinners—not many, they're reasonable about it, but, say, one a month.

The German department has nothing but a Nazi swastika this year for decoration. Could you see that they get a nice print of Hitler Burning the Books?

The Campus Patrol would like to have one or two G Men long enough to find out what happens to all the overcoats, watches, and pocketbooks, that have disappeared lately.

As far as the Publications are concerned, we really don't want much. Just that new building with the lovely linotypes and giant presses that has been promised to us for so long.

Froth and the Bell would both like to have an editor for next year and if it isn't asking too much we know the Bell would be awfully happy if you could send it a little circulation. You won't have to bother about Froth's circulation. Just send it a few more dirty jokes.

La Vie doesn't need much either because it has its own Santa Claus, the Interclass Finance Committee. But its neighbor, the Engineer, needs your personal attention. Send the Farmer a nice big safe to keep all its money.

But the best gift of all, dear Santa Claus, would be to send to the Student Body optional ROTC.

Trustfully yours,
THE COLLEGIAN

CAMPUSEER

BY HIMSELF

Let 'em Eat Cake:

To quibble over the question as to whether or not it was original would be to trifle over trivia. The fact remains that the Doktor, Leo Houck, deserves plenty of credit for having the nerve to pull one like this. As the Doktor always said, "Pop a pun at the propitious moment."

Anyway, the conversation had staggered from Joe Louis down to co-eds and was on the way up to Max Schmeling when it got side-tracked on the Simpson-King Edward affair.

"What do you think he should do?" the Doktor was asked.

"Well," said Leo meditatively, "He can't eat it, so let him abdicate."

Euphemistically Speaking:
For years we have been using words as "cram," "bone," and "hitting the books" to denote the vicarious practice of pellicidizing our polymathy in a frantically sententious period. However, Mr. Menken's prayer for a scholarly use of informal expressions has been answered. Witness Doc. Dye's fifty—"Intellectual hypodermic."

Handsome Is:

To the glittering lights of Harrisburg and especially the Hollywood Club were drawn six bucolic T. N. E.'s in search of high adventure. High-spot of the floor show was a certain Miss Sharon who was billed as the most beautiful girl in the state and the winner of the title of Beauty Queen for the past four years. Thinking that the audience perhaps deserved more than just the chance to oggle her charm, Miss Sharon announced that she would choose the prettiest man of the state from the audience . . . It was Ralph Johler, the pledge who was selected . . .

Just to let you know who is running this here U. publicist Dantscher had the following announcement in the Faculty Bulletin which he edits and writes: "In line with the established practice in other editorial positions requiring concerted and consecutive periods of concentration, faculty members are asked to phone my secretary sometime in the morning or early afternoon and appointments will be granted between 3 and 5 o'clock" . . . If Locust Lane political tycoons keep on grooming Tom Moore for higher places they're bound to uncover some rough spots . . . Joe Bray, president of the Tribunal, whose job it is to see that the Freshmen conduct themselves with the proper discretion was picked up by local cossak Yougel for taking light bulbs from the Christmas tree at the Main Gate . . . The reason Prof. Murphy couldn't find an issue of the COLLEGIAN in which the Maniac took him for a ride was that his wife confiscated all the COLLEGIANS in the M. I. building, thinking that if he read it he would probably feel bad about it . . . That surrealism exhibit appearing in the Froth office the past few days was conceived only after a story was jokingly given to the Centre Daily Times and they fell for the gag to the extent of printing it and even sending their star leg man, Conrad Haiges, to cover the show . . .

It has been the custom for the Christmas season to dampen many a promising flame so it will be interesting to take our annual inventory of the present pashas and to check up on these after vacation.

The way things stand now a limited list of gift exchangers should be: Vic Buell, Bill Hoot, and Dot McAuliffe . . . Jack Bigham and Hank Cutter . . . Mart Shaner and Chuck Cherundolo . . . Al Kline and Carolyn Tyson . . . Dutch Frankenfield and Martha Miller . . . Betty Reburn and Nag Gleason . . . Ross Shaffer and Babe Pomeroy . . . Anne Boyer and Bob Blessing (purely platonic they say) . . . Dad Hinojosa and Jeannie Walker . . . Sam Breene and Betty Hooken . . . Champ McConnell and Celestine Clark . . . Jessie Schimsky and Jack Tarner . . . Lute Luttringer and Elva Karwois . . . Lore Hoffman and Blackie Blacksmith . . . Doris Kurtz and Rudi Helmund . . . John Brisbane and Pauline Lowe . . . Ed Ricketts and Mona Lisa Hickey . . .

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Departmental Notes

Davey Returns

Prof. Wheeler P. Davey, of the Physics-Chemistry School, has returned from a speaking tour that carried him into four states and before audiences in ten universities.

Fenske Takes Tour

Dr. Merrill R. Fenske, in charge of the petroleum research laboratories, left recently on a speaking tour through New York State. Included in his addresses will be "Application of the Methods of Physics and Chemistry to the Problem of the Nature of Petroleum" before the Rochester and Buffalo sections of the Society of Chemical Industries.

Professor Francis J. Tschan

American Association of University Professors, Richmond, Va.

Professor James E. Gillespie

American Historical Association, Providence, R. I.

Language

Dr. Franklin B. Krauss will speak at the Pennsylvania State Education Association in Harrisburg, Pa.

Dr. Howard E. Yarnall

Professor in Modern Language Association, Richmond, Va.

Lucretia V. T. Simmons

and Dr. H. Arnold—Modern Language Association, Richmond, Va.

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