

No Vacation Change! Mass Cutting Again?

According to the Fall semester calendar drawn up by the College Senate this Summer, Penn State students are entitled to two holidays during this Fall term. One is Thanksgiving Day, November 26, and the other is a football half-holiday to be set by vote of All-College Cabinet.

Numerous suggestions for switching and altering the vacation arrangement have been offered. Arguments for and against these plans are sound and specific. Here are the plans and both sides to each story.

General Arguments:

For a longer holiday—Students, most of whom have been going to school for over a year without any extended vacation, are entitled to all the short rest periods the College can possibly give them. Under the present arrangement Thanksgiving holiday is wasted time since very few students will be able to make the trip home and back in a one day period.

Against a longer holiday—Defense transportation authorities have asked College's to start and end holidays in the middle of the week rather than on weekends. Any logical Thanksgiving extended or combined holiday, officially sanctioned by the Administration, would necessarily fall near to or during the weekend in direct opposition to the transportation officials' request.

Other subsidiary arguments for and against specific suggested holiday plans:

1. The regular Wednesday noon to Sunday vacation granted when the College operated on the two semester plan.

For—One and a half additional days missed from the classroom does not seem enough to seriously effect the wartime program of study.

Against—With a shortened semester, the College cannot afford to lose any amount of classroom time no matter how small. College students are privileged by being allowed to remain in school and are under obligation to devote the maximum amount of time to their studies.

2. Set the football holiday for Saturday, November 28, hold classes on Thanksgiving Day, and declare Friday, November 27 a holiday in place of Thanksgiving Day.

For—The College would be losing no classroom time under this plan. This would give all students a chance to go home or to the second Pitt game. By combining two short and apparently ineffective holidays, the result would be one useful one. Thanksgiving Day as a set date has lost its traditional value because it has been switched so often recently by the national administration.

Against—Although the College would be losing no classroom time they would still be going against the transportation officials request that no vacations start or end over or near weekends. Also the outcome of the local Pitt game will have a profound effect on interest in the second game. Some students would rather have the football weekend on the traditional date of the Penn game, November 14 instead of gambling on the chance that the second Pitt game will warrant a holiday.

And so it all boils down to this. The Administration at present refuses to make any change in the holiday plans. Their reasons are cited above. Whether or not the mass cutting so common at Eastertime will reoccur remains to be seen. Indications point to the fact that it will. Already, many students have been heard to say, "Nope, can't cut classes today, I'm saving my cuts for Thanksgiving time."

Facing the situation realistically—the administration cannot approve a longer vacation. Some students will cut and take a vacation. These students, not the administration will be to blame for any criticism cast on Penn State for taking an unscheduled holiday.

—R. D. S.

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Lion Tales

After shoving green hair ribbons and Greeks into the background, we emerge unscathed, but with the following tripe for Panhel's pot luck this year.

This time our sympathies should wash over Greeks . . . for like the old prophet, they're coming to the mountain and asking for it.

Prayer To Polly

They come from east, they come from west
Their clothes endure most every test
They're cute as hell and losfa fun
Pray tell, Panhel, what's done

To Bid or not to bid

No lead pipes do we need to buy
"It's only you," we hear them cry.
Blackballs just are out of style
All we have to do is smile
To Panhel Polly we raise a plea
May she forgive Greek iniquity
To Bid . . . of course we did

Ensign Stuff

It's coated slightly with mould, cause it's on the I-heard-it-before-side. . . . but being a priceless piece of fun our resistance is low.

It happened when a couple of the mouths under the white hats were frothing about the lack of women. It was fun to wear a uniform, but who appreciated you? Well, to a potential admirer the suggestion was made. . . . a name was given. . . . and a telephone number.

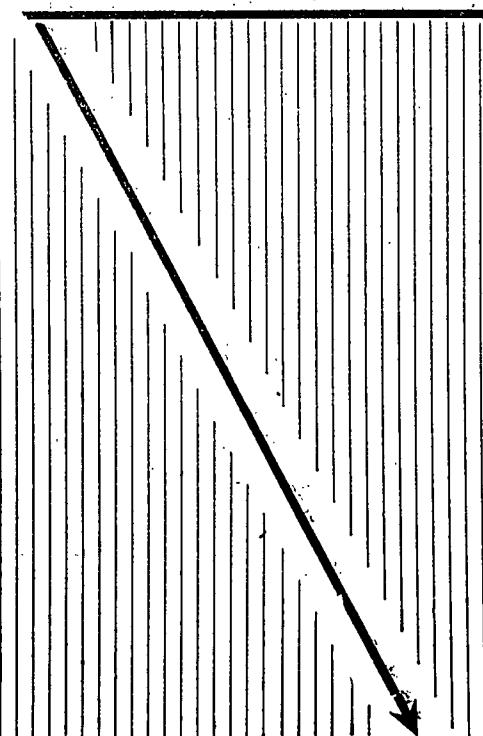
The hopeful dialed. . . . asked for the name. . . . chinmed about current chinning substance and finally popped the question.

"How about a date tonight?"
"I'm afraid I'm busy."
"How about tomorrow?"
"Sorry, I'm a busy woman, I'm dean of women."

Snitching Snatches

We're surprised at Campy. No news, no dirt, what's his trouble? Some snatches of campus hummings are thusly narrated to make the venerable Campy feel his age. Alex Taylor, deltachi forty-blanker, brought his best gal up for IF. . . . and Harry Funston taking seniority rights pinned her. Jim Irwin couldn't say good bye to Ollie Gillis so back to Erie went he. . . . Sue Clouser and her Cornell Cutie. . . . Bunny Bundick got everything. . . . a diamond, orchids, telephone calls. . . . but no man. Frosh Caroline Manville had her after dinner cigar with the rest of the ATO boys. Bucknell male Imports border on the O. K. side of manhood. . . . The funny Froth joke of the month. . . . not a Duff original. —The Cub

After The Dance



The Corner
unusual

The Story Of 'La Boheme'

Editor's Note: Here are printed the last two acts of 'La Boheme' which will be presented by the Artists' Course in Schwab Auditorium at 8 o'clock tonight. The first two acts were printed in yesterday morning's Daily Collegian.

The third act takes place before an inn where Marcel paints signs and Musetta is a dancing teacher. On a snowy Winter night, Mimi, very sick, comes to the inn to tell Marcel that she and Rodolpho are having difficulties and asks his help.

Mimi overhears while Rodolpho tells Marcel that the trouble is his deep love for Mimi, whom he knows to be sick but in his poverty cannot help. A violent sob from Mimi exposes her presence after which they decide to separate.

At the same time Marcel and Musetta have one of their frequent quarrels and leave each other.

The fourth act shows the poet and the painter back in the attic where they try to work but cannot because they think continuously of their respective loves. The arrival of some friend cheers them up to the point of having mock ballets and duels.

Into the midst of this merriment bursts Musetta with the deathly sick Mimi. Everyone there gives up something of his own to get a doctor and medicine for her.

Mimi still recognizes Rodolpho and together they sing the last great love duet, usually called "Mimi's Death." After she has gone through the whole affair in her memories through the song, before the doctor arrives, she falls dead.

CAMPUS CALENDAR
Mexican Dinner, Maple Club Room, 4:45 p.m.
Friars meeting, 318 Old Main, 7 p.m.
WRA Swimming Club meeting, White Hall Pool, 7:30 p.m.
WRA Outing Club meeting, White Hall, 6:30 p.m.

Students Picket

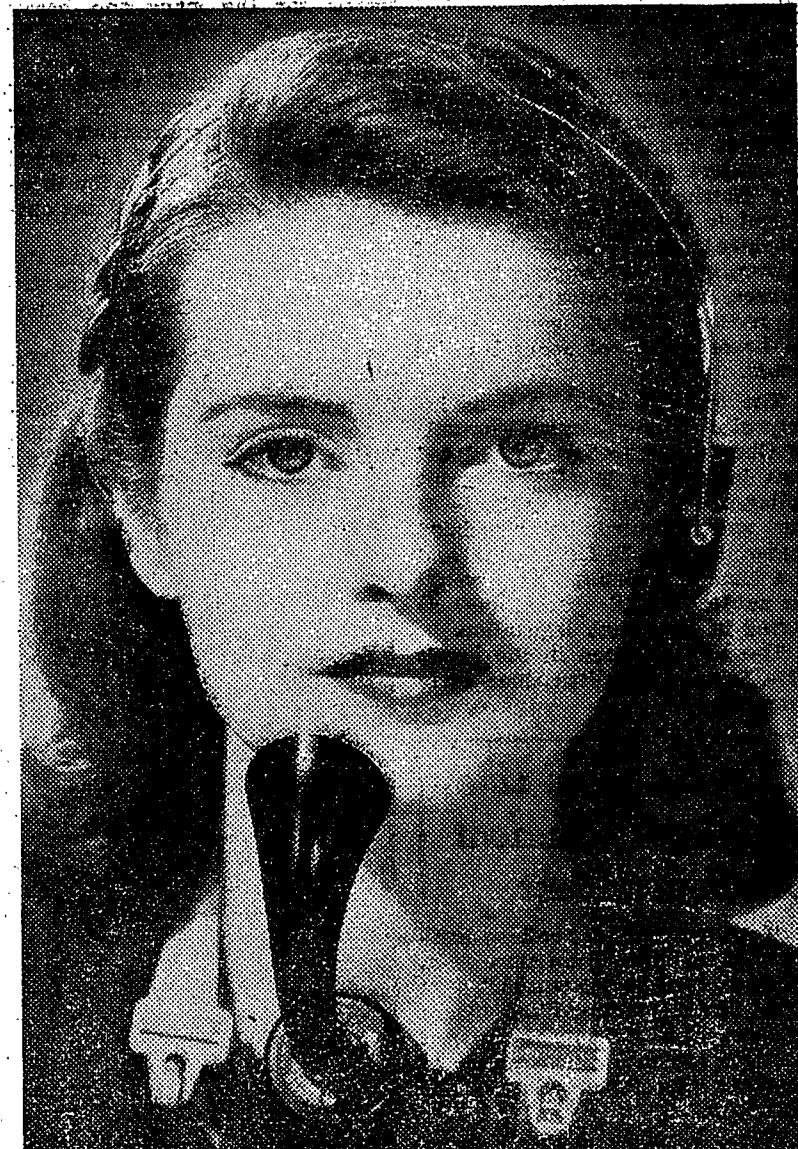
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appreciate it then." Mr. Moore seemed surprised that such a demonstration would take place and expressed the hope that perhaps they were just a gang of over-enthusiastic College students. "After all," he said, "many's the time I've purchased a tough steak, but I didn't picket the place."

A last minute notice from the theatre management announced the changing of the film for today's showing. Beginning today, the motion picture "My Sister Eileen," starring Rosalind Russell, Brian Aherne, will be shown.

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