



To the thousands of Penn State men and women on all the fighting fronts of the world, the students and faculty of the Pennsylvania State College extend their warmest and most sincere wishes for a Merry Christmas. To students whose education was interrupted, and to alumni who will return to relive their days at State, we hope for an early homecoming.

Choir To Present Christmas Chapel

In honor of the holiday season, the Chapel Choir, under the leadership of Mrs. Willa Taylor of the music department, will present a program of all-Bach music at the annual Christmas Worship Service in Schwab Auditorium at 11 a.m. Sunday.

As a prelude the group will sing "Fantasia and Fugue in A Minor." Following the doxology, invocation, and Lord's prayer the audience will join in the singing of the hymn, "O Come, O Come Emmanuel." John H. Frizzell, College chaplain, will conduct the responsive reading of "The Prince of Peace," after which the choir will sing "Now Let All the Heavens Adore Thee" from Cantata 140.

"Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring," from Cantata 147 will be the choir's number after the scripture reading. The choir will next join with the audience in singing "O Little Town of Bethlehem." As an offertory, Mrs. Irene O. Grant, organist, will play the "Cradle Song" from "The Christmas Oratorio" and "To Us a Son is Given."

During the time normally devoted to a speaker, the choir will sing all of Bach's Cantata Number 142. This includes seven sections: Concerto, "To Us a Son is Given," "Ever the Name of God I'm Praising," and "Alleluia," all by the combined choir; "So Appears the Natal Day" by Michael Rosenberger, baritone; "Lord, My Thanks to Thee" by Louise Neff, soprano; and "Lord, I Sing Thy Name" by Martha Albert, contralto, and a former student of the music department now teaching in Bellefonte.

"Joy to the World" will be the last hymn the audience will have the opportunity to participate in. As a postlude, following Professor Frizzell's benediction, the choir will present "In Dulci Jubilo." Accompanists for the program are Mrs. Irene O. Grant, assistant professor of music, and Guy Woods, new piano instructor of the music department.

Library Vacation Hours

Following are the vacation hours for the College Library: Friday, December 22, 7:50-5:00; Saturday, December 23, Sunday, December 24, Monday, December 25, Closed; Tuesday, Friday, December 26-29, 9:00-5:00; Saturday, December 30, 9:00-12:00; Sunday, December 31, Closed; Monday, January 1, Closed; Tuesday, January 2, Resume regular schedule of 7:50-10:00 weekdays; 7:50-12:00 Saturday; 2:00-10:00 Sunday.

GSO Formal To Feature Dance Exhibit

Newly added to the list of attractions at the All-College Christmas semi-formal to be held in Recreation Hall, 8 to midnight tomorrow, is an intermission feature, a dance exhibition presented by the Music Studies.

Miss Mary B. D'Adamo and Vincent J. Masi, former instructors at the Arthur Murray studio, will do an American Waltz, a Rumba and a Tango. In addition Ruth Hill will sing and Frank Gullo of the Music Department will lead the Christmas caroling.

Betty Platt will handle the vocals for Bud Wills and his Campus Daws while a ten-foot, decorated pine tree and a tinsel-hung ceiling will add sparkle to the Christmas theme.

Many fraternity and barracks booths have been sold. Those who still wish to obtain one can do so by calling A/S James Jones, 3392, before noon tomorrow.

All civilians and servicemen may get tickets from GSO members, identified by paper trees on their lapels, or at Student Union tomorrow morning or at the door tomorrow night. Admission is \$1.20 for a couple and 60 cents for a stag. GSO girls will be admitted free by presenting their cards before 9:30 and their dates will be admitted for 60 cents. There are expected to be many stag GSO girls to entertain the new servicemen and all other stags.

This is the only big Christmas dance of the year and therefore, in the interest of the student body in general, GSO has made it All-College.

Phi Beta Kappa Holds Anniversary Dinner

Phi Beta Kappa elected the following officers at its annual anniversary meeting recently: Prof. Roy D. Anthony, president; Prof. Ralph V. McGrew, secretary; Prof. Wallace E. White, treasurer; Prof. Harrison H. Arnold and Prof. Henry W. Kneer, executive committee.

Meeting in the banquet room of the Hotel State College, the Pennsylvania Lambda chapter celebrated the 18th anniversary of the founding of the fraternity in the Raleigh Tavern at Williams and Mary College, Williamsburg, Virginia.

Coeds' Chorus Elects

Newly elected officers of Girls' Choral Group are Carolyn Lerch, president; Betty Herring, vice-president; and Jean Diehl and Janet Taylor, librarians.

Students Discuss Red Cross Unit

Plans for a campus unit of the State College Chapter of the American Red Cross were discussed at a meeting of student leaders at President Hetzel's home Wednesday afternoon.

After the purpose and advantages of the proposed unit program were explained by Miss M. Harriet Allen, chairman of the Advisory Committee of the Campus Unit, a steering committee of five students was formed to go ahead with the organization work. Co-chairmen of the committee are Gertrude Rosen and Edward Zernprell. Other members are Florence Porter, secretary, Nan Bowman, and Richard Mauthe.

Although this campus unit has not been completely organized or legally recognized by the State College Chapter, the need there is of hurrying to marshal students for blood donors at the blood bank at Tyrone the week of January 22, leads to the tentative organization plans.

The suggested program of training will include such projects as contributing to blood banks, training in first aid, disaster relief, water safety, accident prevention, cancer corps, nutrition, motor corps, fund raising, and staff assistance corps.

Miss Allen stated that the program is an outgrowth of the National Red Cross' desire to organize college units throughout the United States to give students a chance to become acquainted with and aware of community social and economic problems. There are already seven such units in Pennsylvania.

"Through actual projects on the campus," Miss Allen said, "the training program will show students the ways and values of participating as volunteers in their own local community service activities in wartime and peacetime."

Other members of the Advisory Committee, which will work with the student steering committee, are Miss Edith McViney, secretary, Dr. Laura W. Drummond, Prof. Royal M. Gerhardt, and Prof. Roy D. Anthony.

Mrs. Ralph D. Hetzel was hostess to the committee.

Customs Off For Dance

All freshmen may remove their customs for the All-College semi-formal tomorrow night, Tribunal announced Wednesday at its weekly meeting.

No fresh offenders were reappointed to Tribunal this week. The upperclassmen are urged to turn in all custom-breakers and make up for this week's laxity.

Students To Gather For Annual Sing

Familiar carols will be the feature of the traditional all-college Christmas Carol sing in front of Old Main 8:30 p. m. Monday.

A large Christmas tree trimmed with lights will be erected by the Grounds and Building department on Old Main Terrace. Words or the carols will be projected on a screen hung between several of the pillars. The Film Library, represented by Philip Marino will supply the slides and the projector for the songs.

A brass quartet composed of A/S Glenn Ordorf and A/S Fred Eckler, trombones, and A/S Walton Schrader and A/S Leonard Gay, trumpets, will play, and the Cappella Choir, directed by Mrs. Willa Taylor, will sing.

James Smith, PSCA secretary, will deliver a Christmas message. Prof. Hummel Fishburn will lead faculty, students, and townspeople in the singing of carols.

John Schoening is general chairman for the sing. Ushers will collect an offering for the World Student Service Fund, an emergency fund created by the YMCA and YMCA to buy textbooks, clothing, and food for the unfortunate students abroad and in prisoner of war camps.

PSCA Quotas Set For Twin Drives

Thirty-five hundred dollars is the goal of the annual PSCA financial drive, announced James F. Smith, general secretary. The student drive with a quota of \$200, will be conducted from January 29 to February 5, and the faculty drive, with a quota of \$1800 from January 15 to 22.

Dr. Arthur E. Wicklander, director of religious activities at Miami University, Oxford O., will be the speaker at the faculty rally at the State College hotel banquet room 3 p. m. January 27. The student rally will be staged in the State College hotel banquet room 3 p. m. January 27.

"A builder of Penn State spirit and better human relations, the PSCA depends upon the voluntary gifts and participation of students and faculty," Mr. Smith asserted.

"PSCA is beginning its seventh year of continuous service to all students and faculty on the Penn State Campus," Mr. Smith continued. "Numerous services and activities are sponsored by his non-denominational organization. The PSCA is the YMCA and the YWCA working together in the building of character through discussion groups, out of own speakers, religious programs, the handbook, freshman orientation and various social activities. We hope the goal will be met."

33 Independent Men Join Penn State Club

The Penn State Club recently initiated 33 members. All students who were accepted into the organization are either independent men or members of a fraternity which does not have its house at present.

Initiates include: Lawrence Baily, Bernard Byers, H. Karl Beagle, Jack Bennett, James Donell, Jerry Danchevsky, Phillip H. Dewey, Joseph R. Diehl, Leslie T. Edgecomb, Charles W. Fiero, Raymond Galle, Ted Gregory, Michael Hallikis, Nick Kanulka, George Keller, Claud Klissen, Carl Lawrence, Robert L. Lovell, John Miller, James McMaster.

David R. Nalven, Hugh M. Odza, John F. Platt Jr., Vincent J. Prato, Donald E. Smith, Jay Schussel, Andrew E. Sladics, Milton Schaffer, Aubrey W. Vail, Calvin P. Wallace, Earl A. Williams, James G. Williamson, and Charles G. Wissing.

Col. Mills Announces 18 AST's On Honor Roll

Lt. Col. Guy G. Mills, commanding at the College, announced that 18 members of the ASTP cadets stationed here had qualified for the honor roll.

These men comprise the upper ten per cent of the enrollment in each curriculum at the end of the term. They are as follows:

Vincent C. Bassett, Mortimer Berl, Ralph B. Conn, Marvin A. Feigen, Abraham Freund, Isaac J. Gittelman, Irvin Isenberg, Albert Maslow, Roger D. Mullen, David E. Reese, Lawrence H. Roberts Jr., Richard A. Shaffer, Jack M. Shearer, James F. Smith Jr., John Steranka, Murray Tobak, and Clarence M. Whitlow Jr.

Freshmen To Elect Officers

Menuhin Presents Recital

Artist Lists 7 Selections For Concert

Yehudi Menuhin, 28-year-old world-renowned violinist, will make his appearance in Schwab Auditorium at 8 p.m. tonight as the second performer in the Artists' Course Series.

Menuhin, who believes "music is so close to humanity that one must go to humanity to develop one's self as a musician," has just returned from a six weeks tour of England, liberated Europe, and the combat areas.

He has been to the Aleutian Islands, the Panama Canal Zone, the West Indies, and the Hawaiian Islands, playing Bach to cheering J. I. audiences. In addition, he has toured army camps and base hospitals for the Red Cross, collecting over \$150,000 for the Allied cause during his concerts in England.

It has been said that part of Menuhin's greatness may be his respect for the composers; he has avoided modern arrangements and has sought to interpret the music as the composer meant it to be.

A native of New York, the violinist made his first appearance in San Francisco at the age of seven. A year later he began to study abroad, enjoying "historical success" in Paris. He returned to New York at the age of ten for a debut with the New York Symphony orchestra.

The program for the concert follows: Sonata No. 1 in D Major, Opus 12..... Beethoven
Allegro con brio
Tema con Variazioni-Andante con moto
Rondo-Allegro
Concerto No. 1 in D Minor, Opus 31..... Vieuxtemps
Andante
Adagio religioso
Scherzo-Vivace
Allegro
Sonata No. 3 in A Minor, Opus 25..... Enesco
Moderato Malinconico
Andante Sostenuto e Misterioso
Allegro Con Brio Ma Non Troppo Mosso
Caprice Basque..... Sarasate
Perpetuum Mobile..... Novacek
Spanish Dance "La Vida Breve"..... De Falla-Kreisler
Trio Capriccioso..... Saint-Saens

Regular seats for the performance have long been sold out, but 125 seats on the stage were made available, some of which may still be left unsold today, according to Dr. Carl E. Marquardt, director of the Artists' Series.

Combination seats for the Menuhin and Sanroma recitals will be sold at \$5 plus tax, while single seats for Menuhin will sell at \$3.50 plus tax and for Sanroma at \$2.50 plus tax. Sales will be made at the Athletic window during the regular hours today and at the box office in Schwab Auditorium starting at 7 o'clock tonight.

Speaker, Ramsey To Head Old Main Open Houses

Stan Speaker, All-College president, and Miriam Ramsey, eighth semester secretary-treasurer, will be chief host and hostess at the first of a series of open houses for freshmen and civilian students to be held in Old Main from 2 to 5 p.m. January 8.

Commission V of the Penn State Christian Association, which is in charge of campus and wartime service, is sponsoring the open houses to offset a reported need for Sunday afternoon recreation on the campus. The program will be held in the Hugh Beaver Room, 304 Old Main, and the IMA-IWA clubroom on the fourth floor.

Included in the preliminary plans are refreshments, popular music, games including ping-pong, and a corps of coed hostesses.

Iljaean Feldmiller is chairman of Commission V, and the open house committees include Thelma Rosenthal and Tom Reed, host and hostess committee; Bill Benson and Jean Swartz, program arrangement; Barbara Kilbury and Kay Krell, publicity; and Iljaean Feldmiller and Tom Reed, refreshments.

Collegian On Vacation

This special Christmas issue is the last one for the current year. The next Collegian will appear January 12, 1945.



YEHUDI MENUHIN

Holiday Travel Problems Nil Compared With Early Agony

By BARBARA INGRAHAM

The ODT may be asking, "Is this trip necessary?" but Penn State students as always are asking, "Is this trip possible?"

Or in the words of Dr. E. E. Sparks, former president of the College, "State College is located at the exact geographical center of the state and is equally inaccessible from all points in it."

Location of the Collegian Centre county has been popularly ascribed to accession to the sentiment of having a state college in the exact center of the state. The site was a farm surrounded by farmlands and woods, a day's journey by stagecoach from the nearest railroad station.

The College catalogue for 1893 gave prospective students the following information, "The school may be reached by students and visitors by the Pennsylvania railroad to Spruce Creek, Lewisstown, and Tyrone. From Spruce Creek a stage leaves on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays, passing the school for Bellefonte, and returning on intermediate days. Daily stages run from Tyrone and Lewisstown to Bellefonte, which latter place is accessible to the school by livery accommodations." The command of early students may well have been, "Home, James, and don't spare the horses."

The first railroad train over the newly built Bellefonte Central railroad arrived at the campus station located where engineering unit D now stands in 1891.

Later it was hoped that the new Lewisburg and Tyrone railroad, which passed through Lemont to Bellefonte, would build a spur from Bellefonte to the State College, but the intervening hill was a barrier. In 1890 the Bellefonte Central was built from Bellefonte to State College over a winding right of way that took 20 miles to cover the airline distance of nine miles between the two towns.

For the next 25 years the Bellefonte Central and its one passenger train carried the bulk of student traffic. Over this winding and bumpy road came crowded coaches and pullmans hauled by wheezy locomotives on the occasions of house parties and athletic week-ends.

Romantically inclined students still preferred the livery rigs driven on toll roads with frequent fights between students and toll keepers.

Gradually the automobile and hard roads lessened the usefulness of the little railroad, and it became mainly a freight line. Before World War II the classified columns of the Collegian were crowded with offers and requests

Prof's To Attend Meeting

Six members of the College faculty will attend a conference of the Modern Language Association of America in New York, December 28, 29, and 30.

They are Dr. Philip A. Shelly and Ralph C. Wood of the German department; William L. Werner, A. Pauline Locklin and Douglas S. Mead of the English Literature department; and David H. Rix of the English Composition department.

Key, Nittany Parties Name Candidates

Eight hundred and twenty-eight freshmen will be eligible to vote or first semester officers at class elections in the first floor lounge of Old Main between 9 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, Ruth Kauffman, elections committee chairman, announced today.

"Only two political parties have decided to enter candidates in the freshman election," stated Miss Kauffman. "The Key and Nittany cliques have nominated candidates, while the Lion party has announced it will not back anyone this semester."

Candidates for the office of resident are George Pritchard, Key, and Grady Marler, Nittany. The two entries for the position of secretary-treasurer are Claire Arks, Nittany, and Shirley Thompson, Key.

Marler is an ex-serviceman on North Tarrytown, N. Y. Before enrolling at the College, Marler served with the 32nd division and nine months in New Guinea and took part in three major engagements at Buna, Gona, and anaandria. During his four years in the army field artillery he was wounded twice. He was honorably discharged recently.

Pritchard was graduated from Bangor High School this summer. Bangor was a three-letterman in basketball and football, resident of the Hi-Y, and president of his junior and senior classes. The 17-year-old freshman is a pledge at Alpha Chi Sigma.

Miss Thompson, Key candidate for secretary-treasurer, is a graduate of Phillipsburg High School. Nittany candidate, Miss Arks, comes from William Penn High School, Harrisburg. She was vice-president of her senior class, an honor student, and cheerleader for three years.

The elections committee will meet with all candidates and league chairmen in 318 Old Main at 8 p.m. Monday to answer questions, clarify the elections code, and to hear complaints.

Platforms of the Key and Nittany parties follow:

- Key Party**
1. To give our support to the issues advocated by the Key party in the previous election.
 2. To emphasize the fact that plan of orientation to the organization and functions of campus offices should be formulated.
 3. To suggest that an ex-officio voice in Cabinet be given to freshmen on the All-College Cabinet until our representatives are duly elected.
 4. To ask that more freshmen mixers be sponsored so that we may become welded more closely together.

- Nittany Party**
- Our aims are:
1. To give all possible aid to rehabilitation of students and ex-servicemen.
 2. The formation of a Student Union building containing a cafeteria, lounges, dance floor, and other recreational facilities.
 3. The creation of a better Penn State spirit through class meetings and rallies.
 3. The creation of a student pool at the end of each semester to evaluate courses and attempt to better them.
 5. To administer student activities on an impartial basis, regardless of student affiliations.

Penn State Club Revives Ball Room Dancing Class

Right "in the groove" is the Penn State club's latest venture, a ball room dancing class for civilians and servicemen.

Reviving a popular campus activity started several years ago by the members of this club, the course will be offered from January 4 to February 5, at 7:30 on Mondays and Thursdays. The price of ten lessons will be \$2.50.

The course offered for fun and recreation as well as for novice dancers, will feature two separate dancing groups, straight ballroom dancing and jitterbugging. Student experts will teach it.

The members of the committee in charge of arrangements are: Don Browne, Robert Gruver, Kenneth Harshberger, and Dick Stein.

for rides to distant points. Today with extensive automobile travel no longer possible, students preparing for a trip spend hours feverishly consulting five or six bus schedules and about ten timetables. A girl with a particularly worried frown and more than ten timetables is probably a freshman whose hostess believes the freshman girls should not return late at night.

The problems brought about by a mass exodus of the student body next Friday are appalling. Brave men shudder at the thought. Some students are even planning to carry oxygen masks so that the can avoid being smothered to death while traveling on a crowded train or bus.

So with fond dreams of the day when everyone will own a helicopter, we'll all be standing together next Friday.

115 Students Earn Honor Average

In recognition of academic excellence, approximately 115 students at the College have been named to the various Deans' Lists in addition to these regular students, 41 Navy V-12 trainees also earned the necessary 2.5 or better average to make one of these lists.

Eleven students earned a perfect straight 3 average. This group includes: Marcia Mae Crichton, Joel E. Crouch, Alan B. Grafinger, Marjorie Jane Houck, Alma Jun Kehler, Howard Lucas, Marjorie Mattern, Suzanne J. Reed, Shirley Silverstein, Genevieve L. Weder, and Helma Weisberg.

Latest Dean's List to be released is from the School of Engineering. Appearing on this list for the seventh time is Gunther Cohn, 2.56 while Alan B. Grafinger, 3, is named for the sixth time.

Included on the list of the Engineering School are: Howard K. Anchin, 2.8; Frederick T. Andrews Jr., 2.72; Gunther Cohn 2.56; Fred E. Crune, 2.58; Joel E. Crouch, 3; Bernard J. Cutler, 2.5; Helen M. Gaurdsnoe, 2.75; Alan B. Grafinger, 3; Carl K. Harshberger, 2.63; Frederick W. Herbin Jr., 2.83; Richard J. Landis, 2.5; A/S George M. Leedom Jr., 2.55; Martin Lennig, 2.7; John L. Olewine, 2.72; Jess W. Owen Jr., 2.68; Robert B. Rosenfeld, 2.68; Felix Roth, 2.61; Charles H. Smith, 2.83; John J. Stickler, 2.52; George R. Strohm, 2.52; and James F. Warner, 2.83.

Professors Visit Capital

Dr. Harold C. Weigel and Miss Nora E. Wiltman are to attend a meeting of the Pennsylvania State Modern Language Association, December 29 in Harrisburg. Dr. Weigel is state president of the organization and Miss Wiltman is secretary-treasurer.

At this meeting, which marks the twenty-fifth year of the organization, there will be a panel discussion of the "Interrelationship of High School and College Teaching of Foreign Languages in Pennsylvania."