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Is This Trip Necessary?

As soon as the news of the unexpected Labor Day holiday reached the ears of eager students, many began making hurried plans for trips home. Without a thought as to travel conditions for the weekend, men and coeds alike, in their frenzied desires to get off campus, started making arrangements to leave.

Year after year the men and women of the United States have read reports of mobs of people crowding bus and train stations in an effort to go away for a Labor Day vacation. Statistics of past years show a great increase in automobile accidents for this particular holiday weekend.

This year, as in former days of peace, College officials urge students to make the most of the Labor Day holiday, by enjoying it in activities in or near State College. Health experts have proved in the past that the benefits of a short holiday at home are usually outweighed by the strenuous exertion of many hours spent standing in the crowded aisles of packed buses and trains.

The College Health Service now also warns of the dangers of traveling to areas in which cases of polio and other contagious diseases have been numerous during the past few weeks.

Dry Dock, hikes, bicycle parties, the movies, cabin and swimming parties, tennis, golf, and picnics are all forms of diversion open to those students who choose to cooperate with governmental and College pleas to refrain from traveling over Labor Day and make the most of a holiday at the College. To give coeds a feeling of freedom such as they have at home, WSGA Senate and Dean Charlotte E. Ray have granted an extra late holiday 2:30 a.m. permission to all coeds who will be on campus Sunday night.

This unexpected holiday should provide students with a chance to do all those things which they have wanted to do at college, but for which they have just never had the time.

Dry Dock Renaissance

At a meeting on Saturday College officials consented to the use of Old Main Sandwich Shop for the revival of Dry Dock.

For six weeks a committee appointed by the All-College Cabinet was vigorously seeking the renaissance of Dry Dock or the wartime substitute Swing Inn to provide the much needed weekend entertainment for civilian and military students. Arrangements were made to have available music, entertainment, games, and refreshments for a general weekly get-together.

For six weeks the committee could not initiate these plans because it was stalled by College officials by the alibi that there was no suitable place available. The Army was to be taken over by the Navy. Recreation Hall and White Hall were out of the question. Summer session students were eating in the Sandwich Shop. The first floor lounge of Old Main was too small to accommodate the student body, and the fireplaces disrupting the open floor were not conducive to Dry Dock plans.

After severe action taken by the All-College Cabinet the Sandwich Shop was obtained. This critical contest, however, manifests the great need for a Student Union building to alleviate student social demands. Such a building should be one of the first to be erected when the allocation from the State legislature for additional structures is received within the next couple of years.

Penn Statements

Anything, yes anything, can happen now and we'll believe it. Who can blame us after going to school seven semesters through all sorts of national holidays, and now just like that we get Labor Day off. Going one better, Judicial has granted coeds 2:30 a.m. permissions Sunday—and to make the picture complete Swing Inn makes its debut in Dry Dock form Friday night. We can't believe that it's really true, but that's what it says here.

Engineer Dope

One of our see-all, hear-all, and tell-all reporters let us in the dope about Mr. A. P. Although Donald Miltenberger copped the cherished title, Casey was right up in there fighting. Better luck in the coming semesters, Casey.

Speaking of the new Engineer (the press is democratic), Mrs. Warnock was probably as surprised as the Delta Gams to see a picture of the DG house labeled "Dean Warnock's residence." And we thought the frosh were the only ones on campus who didn't know the buildings.

Twisted Vocab

In Polit Sc 10 class this week, the professor was telling the class that the President has been putting some of his old cronies in Cabinet. The class seemed absorbed in taking notes on the lecture when a fellow in the back of the room spoke out, "What's your definition of a crony? I always that it was an old woman." After the students quieted down, the professor took time out to explain the difference between a crone and a croney.

Science

Over in the EE Lab they were running some tests on motors. A group of layman spectators watched them while they ran the first test. Fascinated they waited for the second one to begin. They stood on one foot and then the other. Finally one asked what they were waiting for. The EE student murmured something about thermodynamics and the questioned stared with awe at such knowledge. Summing up more courage, he asked the engineer to explain the term. "Hell, I don't know what it is," was the answer, "all I know is that you've got to wait for it to happen."

Back to Normalcy

Everyone is talking about how the end of the war is going to affect this or that on campus. Every department, club or fraternity seems to have some post-war plans—and Collegian does too. At present Collegian has one major goal—to get back to the Daily Collegian instead of the Collegian published by the Daily Collegian staff.

Old Mania

Dan Cupid stopped over in State College for the past week judging by all the pinnings, engagements, and weddings that have occurred recently. Rosemarie Crook is now wearing a diamond from Pvt. Fred Beirsdorfer, kappa sig. Liz Griffiths has become the fiancée of hometown boy Sgt. Bob Miller with a sparkler. AOPi alum Mignonette rederick was married to Harland Gover in July. beta sig Lt. Morry Freed middle-aisled it with a hometown girl last week. and gamma phi alum Dot Shigley and Ray Farwell SPA, took the vows in town recently.

Little Fraternity Pin

John Sadden, phi kappa sig, has placed his pin beside Jan Feistel's AChiO jewels. Both were visiting last weekend. Jane Noll now has Frankie Schneider's Teke pin. SDT prexy Betty Berman is sporting Hal Hein's phi sig jewelry. DTD George Smith, Air Corps, pinned Theta Libby Doyle. and on the piffit list is Carolyn Lerch and SAE Johnnv Dibeler.

Visiting Folks

Phi Mu Clara Jones dashed home this weekend to see Chuck Galligan just back from overseas

with the Army. Ensign Frank Thompson visited Kallozetia Bev McNaull recently. Also seen around campus was AOPi Lou Lamade. Pvt. Jimmy Antenoff visiting Blanche Vail. Marilyn Lunitz seeing Sailor Les Jacobs. Leon Aaron. Phi sig alums Cpl. Duke Meiman and Lt. Merv Krenzman. and Beta Sig Ensign Lou Ullman.

At Log Rhythm

Don "Mr. Accelerated Program" Miltenberger with Dot Richardson from Shamokin. Theta Betty Shenk and ex-V-12er Tony Hale. Dot Fischer and Chuck Cullane. Jean Nichols with Phi Delt Jack Forbes. Lambda Chi Bill Luxion and Edith Moffet with a MORON sign hanging on his back. Dottie Davis and hometown lad Bob Ginger. Madge Rohrbaugh and Jack Seymour, theta chi. A/S Paul Trax and Mickey Keuhner. A/S Joe Eastlack and Martha Conley.

Rosemarie Waggoner with Bob Hewitt, ASTP. Helen Bautman with AST Jesse Zellner. Marlon Orth and Dr. I Lie Q. Zosack. Terry Hague and ex-GI Stan Cohen. Shirley Welshans and Sailor Bob Bastian. and gobs of others. —Maniac

Faculty Limelight

Several members of the Reading Clinic staff have accepted positions in the Baltimore city schools. Miss Carolyn Welch, who has been supervisor of the Reading Clinic Laboratory School, will begin her duties as director of the Reading Clinic in Baltimore tomorrow. Miss Mary Shapiro and Miss Mary Mc Collum, graduate assistants in the Laboratory School, have been appointed reading specialists in Baltimore.

Ray Conger, one-time mile king and a member of the physical education staff at the College, was guest of the "Sports Parade" radio program on Station KQV at Pittsburgh Saturday. I. C. Boerlin, supervisor of audio-visual aids in Central Extension, has been re-elected for a three-year term to the board of directors of the Education Films Library Association, New York City.

New Alumni Head

William K. Ulerich, editor of the Centre Daily Times and a part-time member of the journalism faculty, has been elected president of the Penn State Alumni Association for the forthcoming year. Miss Julia G. Brill, associate professor of English Composition, was elected second vice-president of the association. Lt. Col. Guy G. Mills, ROTC and ASTP commandant at the College, who will receive his discharge shortly, expects to return

Faculty Committee

The steering committee of the Faculty Lunch Club for September, October, and November, will consist of Charles A. Eder, assistant professor of civil engineering, chairman; Miss Winona L. Morgan, associate professor of home economics; Miss Mary L. Willard, associate professor of chemistry; R. Wallace Brewster, associate professor of political science; and George N. P. Leetch, director of the College Placement director of the College Placement Service.

Campuseer

The world is getting far too scientific for many average persons today. Not that they mind the automobile, airplane, radio, telephone, and other modern conveniences, but they do object to the part science is taking in the more intimate part of their lives.

Psychology, for instance, is becoming the blight of many a happy youth's future. It's bad enough being psychoanalyzed and told that he is an introvert or an extrovert, a moron or a genius, or that one possesses an inferiority or superiority complex. But these tests that men such as Terman, Burgess, and Cottrell have come out with, attempting to determine vocational aptitudes or chances for marital happiness carry things one step too far.

Take the vocational aptitude tests, for instance. A person can spend two hours telling which coed she would most like to be in the world, which woman she would like least to be, whether she would rather breed horses or take long walks in the rain, whether she would prefer picking flowers or listening to a good symphony orchestra. Before she took the test, the coed knew perfectly well that her one burning ambition was to be a good wife and mother in future years, but the results come back telling her that she has all the makings of a brilliant international lawyer. So the young lass decides to forget about a home and children and studies law. In 20 years time, she is a mediocre barrister, alone, lonely, and frustrated. A career woman who has never ceased to regret following the guidance written on a piece of paper.

Marriage tests are just as bad. A couple can sit up until the wee hours of the morning answering some 500 questions along these lines: "Do you day-dream?" "Are you afraid of water?" "What season of the year do you like best?" Next day the weary couple take their tests back to the psychologist who plots a line from the answers. If the lines follow each other closely, the couple are well-suited for each other; but woe unto the pair who enter the holy bonds of matrimony if the curves of their marriage tests are far apart!

In theory, the tests may not be too bad, but think of where they are leading. Twenty years from now, a young man feeling ready for marriage will probably drop in to see a psychologist, take the test, then match it up with the one that follows his most closely. Then he'll look up that person and announce that they are going to be married. No courtship, no romance, no moonlight and flowers, no fun. What a future!

One person summed up her views on the current test-giving trend with the words, "I prefer to drop two pennies in the slot and let the Mystic Pen psychoanalyze me. It's probably just as accurate and far less expensive."

Front and Center

Visiting at the Beta Sigma Rho house last weekend were A/S Allan Apter, S2/C Robert Kranich, and Radioman 2/C Robert Lyons. Ens. Lewis Ullman, now in the Merchant Marine, spent a few days with his brothers at the College recently. Newly commissioned Ens. Andrew Anderson visited the Alpha Tau Omega house this weekend.

Killed in Action

Lt. (j.g.) Robert M. Johnson '40 died at sea. Wounds received on Biak Island, in the Pacific, proved fatal to Robert A. Angelo '39. Lt. William A. Root '38 has been reported killed in Germany, as has Stanley S. Szyachelka. Robert A. Reichelder died in action with the Air Corps.

Lt. William T. Raffert, previously reported missing, is now listed among those killed in action. First Lt. George R. Willforth '39 was killed when his plane crashed in England.

Liberated

Previously reported missing, Lt. George E. Williams '42 has been set free from a German prison camp. John M. Graham '42 and Lt. Robert B. Walker '41 have also been released from prison camps.

Promoted

Among the many alumni now sporting new ranks are: Maj. William Sandston '42, Capt. W. D. Zahrist, Capt. Donald Bievenour '39, Capt. Harry L. Lee '32, First Lt. James E. Hawkins III '43, First Lt. Theodore Taylor '42, Capt. Woodrow Hock '42, Capt. Rudolph Janeck '37, Capt. Donald Horton '42, Col. Frank Pethic Jr. '28, and Ens. Norman H. Marlin Jr. '46.

Returned from Overseas

Marine First Lt. Brooks D. Kaufman '44, who piloted a Mitchell medium bomber with the First Marine Air Wing at Emirau and New Ireland in the South Pacific, is now stationed in Miramar, Calif. Also at this base is Marine First Lt. Homer N. Davis '43. A Tau Kappa Epsilon alumnus, Lieutenant Davis piloted a dive bomber over the Philippines.