

## Christmas Seals

Public Enemy Number 1! For college students, it's tuberculosis. TB causes more deaths among people of college age than any other killer.

But to help these, particularly between 16 and 25, the National Tuberculosis Association each year during the holiday season prints and sells Christmas seals. From the money collected by their sale—and this is the only source of revenue—the Association carries on its work of prevention, treatment and research of tuberculosis.

Centre County has a quota of \$10,000 set for this year's campaign. More than 80% of the money collected stays in the county and is used for YOUR protection against tuberculosis.

To date, less than 50% of the quota has been raised. More money is badly needed for the tuberculosis group to carry on. Through the cooperation of the local postmaster, Christmas seals may now be purchased at the State College Post Office.

You'll be doing yourself a favor by buying seals as soon as possible. The pennies you give now will be much less than you would have to pay should Public Enemy Number 1 strike at you.

—Howard Back.

## Progress . . . ?

Whether or not it is possible for a student body of 7000 to be organized to the extent of carrying out a single action, is difficult to determine until the occasion arises. It is very possible that despite clashes in personalities, and variations in group policies which students abide by, a unified action can be achieved.

In discussing this question, it is important to keep in mind the various problems that arise when a college such as Penn State, is situated in a town such as State College. No one who has been here for any length of time is immune to the constant struggle that has been going on between the townspeople and their business establishments, and the student body. As students, making State College our temporary home, we are compelled by nature to seek the necessities of life, and because of convenience we limit our search to the immediate vicinity.

If this seems a roundabout way of approaching the problem of buying food, meeting the high prices that prevail, and combating some undesirable regulations, it is because preparation seems to be necessary.

Try to count the times that you've heard and read objections to the conditions that prevail in State College. The price of food, clothing and other necessary commodities. The lack of entertainment features, which if provided would not only create more business, but would achieve the goal of giving the student an outlet during spare hours; the high prices that are charged by the major entertainment feature, the movies. These and countless other conditions have raised the objections that are referred to.

Now, the question is, what has been accomplished?

This calls for an individual as well as a group answer, for as long as people vary according to their likes and dislikes, the things they seek will be different. Certain small groups whose members have similar interests are also qualified to report progress, or the lack of it. Here there has been noticeable success.

In general, however, there has been no drastic change. The objection to conditions in State College that were raised by a majority of the students this time a year ago, are still being raised. It proves one thing, a lack of unified action, the formula of which apparently remains a secret.

If there is ever to be progress . . . if our conception of a better community life is to be achieved now, or in the years to come, by this or another generation of students . . . it will be because they acted in unison.

Perhaps our four-year stay here seems such a small part of a lifetime . . . that we are cautious about carrying our endeavors any farther than the talking stage. How pitiful are the unfortunate individuals whose lives turn out to be a succession of four-year stages.

—Lawrence G. Foster.

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## Collegian Gazette

All calendar items must be in at the Daily Collegian office by 4:30 p.m. on the day preceding publication.

**Thursday, Dec. 19**

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE Student Meeting, 200 Carnegie Hall, 7 o'clock.

**At The Movies**

CATHAUM: "Spectre of a Rose," Judith Anderson.

STATE: "Vacation in Reno," Jack Haley.

NITTANY: "Cloak and Dagger," Gary Cooper.

**College Health Service**

Discharged from the infirmary yesterday: Richard Crowers, Lois Reese.

**College Placement Service**

DEC. 18 and 19—Monsanto Chemical Co. will interview eighth semester men from the following curricula: ME, physics, chem. and chem. eng.

DEC. 19 and 20—The Firestone Tire and Rubber Co. will interview eighth semester men from the following curricula: EE, IE, ME, chem. eng. and chem.



—Courtesy Westinghouse Electric.  
Capt. Marks: "I'm afraid Sergeant Edmund won't make the Campus Patrol pistol team."

## Letters

### Religion-in-Life Week

TO THE EDITOR: For the first time since 1939, Penn State is to have a Religion-in-Life Week this school year. It is important to recapture the values achieved by a program of this nature.

Such a week is a period of time devoted to the consideration of basic human values, all the more significant in this Atomic Age. Students will have the opportunity to hear top-notch speakers and to participate in "bull sessions" on the subjects that interest them most.

This is an all-college project because it deals with a problem of all-college concern, and requires the support of every organization and individual to whom the welfare of students is of major importance.

It is hoped that this will not be looked upon as a series of meetings superimposed upon already overloaded schedules, but rather will be recognized as a part of a well-rounded education.

Such a program provides the opportunity for students to think through the purpose behind their educational and vocational pursuits, and to have guidance in considering their ultimate goals and their relationships with other people.

March 2 and a few days following have been tentatively set as Religion-in-Life Week. During this time one or two large meetings will be held, along with many small discussions in living units and other groupings; personal conferences with visiting and local leaders will be encouraged. It is hoped that every student will take advantage of this opportunity to gain a new perspective on his life as a student and as a person.

This project, inter-faith in nature, has been initiated by the Inter-Religious Council but will be planned and carried out by a committee fully representative of campus life and campus organizations.

—PSCA.

### Express Gratitude

TO THE EDITOR: The State College Community wishes to express gratitude to the College fraternities, sororities, Christian Association and dormitories as well as some individual contributions to our Community Christmas in State College and in helping those in need with food, clothes, toys and Christmas cheer.

The local chairman has placed for parties some 75 children who have been entertained in the homes of fraternities and sororities. Whole schools were brought in to White Hall for parties.

Other groups went out to surrounding areas and gave the party in the local church. Toys from some groups have been turned over to the local chairman for distribution where most needed. Some of these will go to our "needy children" in foster homes under the county commissioners' care.

Up to date, five fraternities have asked to donate food or funds for food for a needy family for Christmas.

Penn State is our big industry here and this cooperation in our community is needed and much appreciated.

Season's greetings to all those who have so graciously contributed.

—Mrs. R. S. Kirby, chairman,  
State College Community  
Christmas Work.

### No Food for Thought

TO THE EDITOR: We send food to Europe. We send food to China. We send food to India. In fact we send food all over. Why in hell don't we send some food to the starving inhabitants of Pollock Circle?

Signed by 16 Students

### Paul Bunyan

TO THE EDITOR: After listening to the three stogees from his setting of red pine trees, Paul Bunyan left for the West to hunt for "Dirty Olga," the girl of his dreams. He sends his deepest regards and fondest thanks to those who attended the Forestry Ball given in his honor by the Forestry Society.

The members of the dance committee of the Forestry Society wish to thank all those who cooperated to make the Ball a success.

—Boyd Witherow,  
advertising chairman.

## Santa Makes Pre-Season Visit to Windcrest Kids

"Santa Claus is comin' to town." But he came to Windcrest yesterday for a pre-Christmas Eve visit. In the absence of snow, Santa arrived in one of the Alpha Fire Company's red trucks.

The occasion was the Elks' Christmas party for the children of Windcrest. Long before Santa actually arrived the 40 children awaiting him in the community hall were watching from the building's

windows. When the fire truck's siren heralded his approach, the air fairly bristled with excitement.

### Children Get Presents

When Santa finally stood before them, the children crowded around to see what the bulging pack contained for them. Each child received a bag of candy, pop-corn, nuts, and an orange.

The youngest child present was five-months-old Billy Butz, and the oldest child was under five years of age.

Had there been snow, Santa would have gone to the party in a sleigh, but apparently the male element at least was perfectly pleased with the fire truck. One four-year-old was heard to remark several days before the party, "I don't want it to snow. Then Santa would come in a sleigh, and I want him to come in a fire truck."

### Santa Rides Fire Truck

After the gifts had been distributed, Santa departed in the fire truck, again watched by all the children. Then four short movies were shown—"The Adventures of Bunny Rabbit," "The Black Bear Twins," "Patty Arbuckle," and "Elephants."

The Elks said that if any of the Windcrest residents are still in State College Monday morning, they are invited to attend the Elks' movie party at the Cathaum Theater, where Santa Claus will again appear.

## PSCA To Aid Needy Family

A family of ten, eight of them children under ten years of age, will have a Merry Christmas this year if enough contributions in the form of household equipment, clothing and food are made through the drive being sponsored by the Community Service Commission of the PSCA.

The family lives near Woodycrest in a rambling one floor structure with a few pieces of furniture which is old enough to be called antique but because of its condition could hardly be called that.

About a year ago, Billy—now about 15 months old—was bitten by a rat while sleeping in the decrepit shack the family used to occupy. The child had to be hospitalized for several months afterward.

Contributions are being collected at Schlows, the A&P, the College Food Market, the high school, the College Heights school and the Westminster Foundation.

The children's ages are listed to serve as a guide for clothing sizes: Billy, 15 months; Butch, 3 years; Harry, 4; Teddy, 10; Peggy, 5; Ruthie, 6; Marjorie, 7; and Gladys, 8 years.

## News Briefs

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He requests that all social organizations having parties or dances to call 3468 for Froth coverage.

### Hazleton Alumni

The Alumni Association of the Hazleton Undergraduate Center will hold its annual All-College Dance at the Hotel Altamont in Hazleton on Christmas night, December 25. Music will be by Art Wendel's orchestra, and tickets may be purchased from members of the committee, at the Hazleton Undergraduate Center in the Walnut Street school, or at the door. The tickets will be \$3.60, and proceeds will go toward the establishment of the Robert E. Eiche Scholarship Fund.

### Rifle Teams

Effective January 7 the Army ROTC and Varsity Rifle teams will have, in addition to their previously reported practice periods from 6 to 9 p.m. Thursday and from 9 to 12 a.m. Saturday, another practice period from 6 to 9 p.m. on Tuesday.

There are still some vacancies in both teams and any interested students are invited to attend these rifle periods.

## Late AP News

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NEW YORK—Republican Governor Thomas Dewey is something of a question mark in regard to his possible candidacy for the Republican Presidential nomination in 1948.

Governor Dewey came up with a quick "certainly not" when asked if he were ready to announce his candidacy.

Then when someone suggested if he really meant "Certainly Not Ready," the Governor replied with a smile—"Certainly Not, Period."

WASHINGTON—For the second time in recent months, Bernard Baruch has accused Henry Wallace of making a mistake. This time the error is said to be in an article on the coal controversy in the magazine (The New Republic) which Wallace edits.

The article says President Truman asked Baruch to help in the legal battle against John L. Lewis. Baruch has termed this wholly false, and deliberately so. Baruch added that he expects Wallace to correct the error.

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