

Greetings

On behalf of the Daily Collegian staff, I would like to extend Season's greetings to our many readers and friends.

This is also to acknowledge the many cards sent by groups and individuals to us. The thoughtfulness behind these messages was duly appreciated; pre-holiday exams, the excitement of going home and the additional task of putting out a paper nightly prevented answering each message personally.

While the students of the College pause long enough to spread good cheer and temporarily forget all quarrels, grumblings and petty bickerings it is only natural that the student paper should reflect these feelings.

Echoing the words of Mrs. R. S. Kirby in a letter to the editor yesterday, we too would like to thank the many fraternities and sororities and campus groups that took part in the programs for the needy of State College.

We would also like to thank All-College cabinet and the Administration for the extended vacation . . . it will come in handy for many of us.

So, from the Editorial and Business staff of the Daily Collegian, "A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to All!"

Purse Strings

If we are to have a better Penn State, we must have unified action from students. Raising faculty salaries can only be achieved by going to work on the men in Harrisburg who hold the purse strings. Extra appropriations received by the College must be made specially by the State Legislature.

In the past it has been the policy of the State Legislature to decide not only how much money was to be appropriated, but specifically what buildings were to be constructed.

The College must be permitted to erect the buildings it determines are needed after careful consideration of its needs by a staff which has been on the Campus studying the situation. It must also be allowed to determine an appropriate salary scale for faculty members in order to hold and attract good men to the campus.

We need concerted action on this subject. Let's not have a letter writing contest to the Collegian, but instead, let's swamp Harrisburg with mail from the student body. In addition we need a bigger and better organized lobby in the capitol.

Penn State is growing and there is every indication that it will continue to grow and that the emergency is not a temporary one. Better buildings and standards will remain long after we are gone. The State isn't going to lose money by backing a better Penn State.

William L. Keller

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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.

Friday, Dec. 20
BIBLE STUDY, 200 Carnegie Hall, 7 o'clock.

At The Movies

CATHAUM: "The Bachelor's Daughters," Gail Russell—Today. "Three Little Girls In Blue," June Haver—Monday, January 6.

STATE: "Vacation in Reno," Jack Haley—Today. "The Man I Love," Ida Lupino—Monday, January 6.

NITTANY: "Swingin' On A Rainbow," Jane Frazee—Today. "Jesse James," Henry Fonda—Monday, January 6.

College Health Service

Discharged from the infirmary Wednesday: Roy McClenaghan, William Widerkehr.

College Placement Service

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.

Open Mind

According to the December Coronet quiz, "How open is your mind?" mass prejudices are menacing America.

As an example they point out the conversation of a business man, who says "one of our agents is coming in from South America. Some kind of darn foreigner."

Those last five words are familiar. Everyone has heard the same idea expressed—or has expressed it himself. But seldom is the speaker or the listener startled by the primitive, undeveloped thinking it so clearly reveals.

Scientists describe this lumping of a mass of prejudices into one handy classification as "tabloid thinking." It's comfortable, easy to use, hard to stop. But it's dangerous—so dangerous that it is menacing America, according to Coronet.

Today some 800 organizations in the United States are actively working to get Americans to accept every person upon his own merit and character, not reject him because he is "different" from us. In another generation, the work of these organizations will pay amazing social dividends.

Some of the questions asked are the following: "Are you a member of any minority group? Do you feel that there are certain groups in this country which are a threat to your job, social position or welfare?"

How open is your mind?

Two Horses

Don Herald tells a little story that is especially appropriate during the Christmas season:

"I just saw two horses standing side by side in a field under a tree, facing in opposite directions, switching flies off each other's faces.

"It made me feel hopeful about the human race. "If horses can cooperate, why can't people learn to cooperate?"

"Maybe the countries of the world could learn to cooperate.

"Maybe capital and labor can some day learn to supplement each other, like two horses.

"Yes, I'm optimistic; maybe in a million years people will be as intelligent as horses.

Letters

Typewriters . . .
TO THE EDITOR: In your editorial columns you have taken up many issues. The one I ask you to consider now is one which should be dear to the hearts of you and your staff . . . the deplorable condition of typewriters in the typewriter laboratory in Sparks.

It appears that a student's daily mark depends entirely on whether or not he gets to class early enough to get a good typewriter. This is not a difficult feat unless a student has a class immediately preceding the typing class. In that event, he is doomed to receive a bar two on his daily work.

College authorities may or may not know the condition of typewriters in the lab. In that event this letter is to acquaint them with that fact.

But if the authorities do know this, I suggest that they refrain from overlooking the issue and face it squarely.

Typewriters are now released for sale, there is no shortage as there was during the war, and it should not be a matter of semesters before new typewriters are installed.

Prospective Bar Two-or Another Critique . . .
TO THE EDITOR: Since you started a criticism on the latest Thespian show, I am forced to add something to it. And because of the Christmas season, I know that not many people will be in the mood to say anything about anything, so perhaps this will be published.

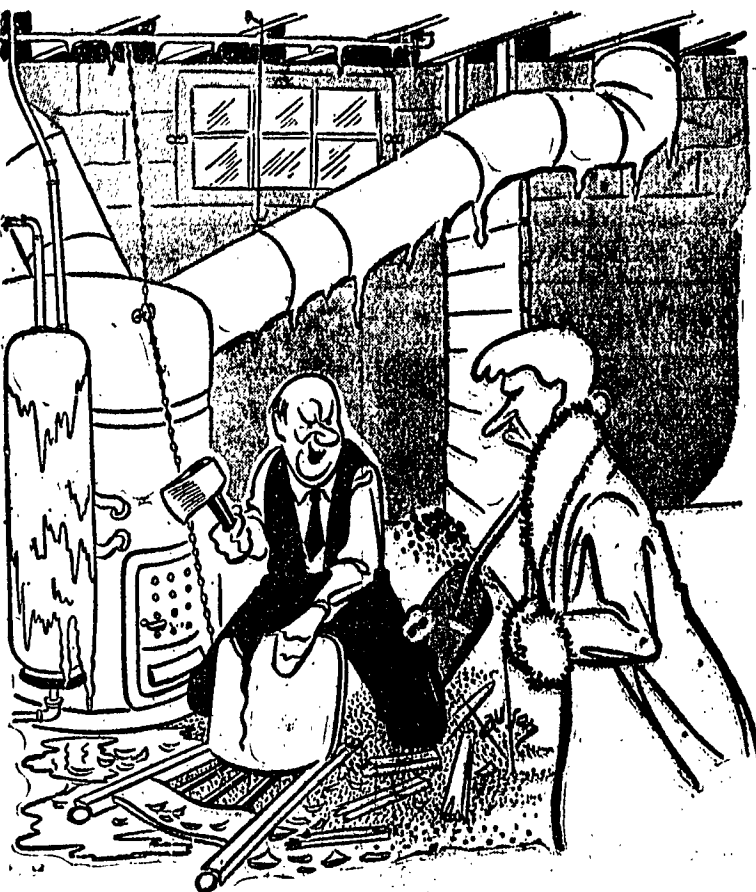
About the Thespian show. I believe it was a bit too risqué. That is, I wouldn't find it the nicest place to take my best girl. And I certainly wouldn't take a parent there or even sit by an elderly person. I guess I don't like to blush. Maybe I'm old fashioned or maybe I feel people belittle me in my version of humor. I do have many friends who feel the same way though.

And while passing out slams, I might as well be generous and say that a local magazine could have less of the above mentioned "stuff." That's all.

"The Halo"

PLANNED ECONOMY

By PAULSON



"So what if we can't get coal since they Socialized the Coal Industry! We own the mines, don't we?"

From the Files

December 14, 1923 . . .
Students cutting classes just before or just after the Christmas holidays in 1923 were subject to a five-dollar fine, according to a notice signed by Dean of Men Arthur R. Warnock. According to the same announcement, students taking unexcused absences at that time would also be barred from classes until a permit to re-enter classes was shown to the instructor.

At a meeting of the Penn State Grange, plans were made for the raising of funds for the girls' dormitory.

The Thespians were making plans to use, for the first time, a student-written play for their annual production.

Le Salon de Mariane was preparing for production of a French comedy, "L'Anglais Tei Qu'on le Paris," by the "Bernard Shaw of France," Tristan.

December 16, 1924 . . .
R. I. Webster, superintendent of Grounds and Buildings, announced that the fire truck and apparatus used by the student Volunteer

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students and a group of employees formed into a Volunteer department meets the requirements of the situation."

The Y. M. C. A. and the music department were planning the tenth annual Christmas tree and carol sing on the front campus. The program included a talk by President John M. Thomas, December 15, 1925 . . .

The Soph Hop committee was considering orchestras and decorators for the dance, which was to be held March 5, 1926.

In the editorial page column, "The Lion's Den," the following poem, submitted by "I. M. Forelorn," appeared:

"Christified
"There are
Poets and poets
Danny, but here's
A poem
From a Poetess.
(S) d but true
I'm a coed)
Blank verse
Is the style, so
I thought I'd
Write and tell you
What I think
Of the campus shieks
With their coon
Coats and their
Smooth lines
And wicked dancing.
Sad but true
I've never run
Across that type.
If you know
Of any
Please send
Him around
Cause I'm blu-hoo!"

December 19, 1941 . . .
"A gathering of approximately 2,500 people jammed the terrace and walks in front of Old Main 23 tonight, to participate in Penn State's traditional Carol Sing, sponsored by the department of music and the P.S.C.A."

Twenty-six fraternities, co-operating with the State College Kiwanis club, entertained 135 children from needy families of

State College at dinners and with parties.

In 1941, as in 1946, the WSGA Christmas Drive deadline was extended.

"Only a thousand, more or less, shopping days till three years from this coming Christmas.

"Five members of the varsity skiing team were leaving for Frantonia, N. H., to undergo a week of practice for the Intercollegiate Ski Tournaments at Lake Placid.

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and
HAPPY NEW YEAR
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Be Merry and Bright
With Good Cheer
Sigma Alpha Epsilon

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GREETINGS
and
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from
Theta Chi

Christmas Greetings
FROM
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Chi Phi
WISHES YOU
A MERRY CHRISTMAS

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THE SEASON'S GREETINGS

SEASON'S GREETINGS
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EVERYONE . . .
HAVE FUN!
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and
Happy New Year
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Delta Sigma Phi
Extends
THE BEST OF
HOLIDAY SEASONS

HOLIDAY CHEER
AND
BEST WISHES
FOR A
HAPPY NEW YEAR
Phi Mu