

College Calendar

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

Thursday, December 11

- Cathaum—Luredb. 70th mw mw mw
- FROTH, Junior Board, 111CH, 7 p. m. Sophomore Board and candidates, 111 CH 7:30 p. m.
- FOOTBALL Movies, Penn State-Washington State, 119 New Physics, 7:30 and 8:15 p. m.
- THESPIAN Show, Schwab, 8 p. m.
- IRC, Atherton Lounge, 7:30 p. m.
- FORESTRY Society, 105 For, 7:30 p. m.
- CHEM Society, 117 New Physics, 7 p. m.
- AAUP, 110 EE 7:30 p. m.
- PENN State Grange, 100 Hort, 7 p. m.
- LIEBIG Chemical Society, 105 Frear Lab. 7:30 p. m.
- AIEE, 210 EE 7:30 p. m.
- COMMON Sense Club, 409 Old Main, 6:30 p. m.
- SIGMA Gamma Epsilon, 105-121 MI, 7 p. m.
- YPCA, 418 Old Main, 7:30 p. m.
- JAZZ Record Concert, Woman's Bldg. 7 p. m.
- MI Society, 229 MI, 7 p. m.

At The Movies

- Cathaum—Lured
- State—Jezebel
- Nittany—They Wouldn't Believe Me

College Hospital

Admitted Tuesday: Mary Ramedia, Russell Nickerson, Robert Rocker, John Nolan.
Discharged Wednesday: John McCreary.

Placement Service

Hazeltine Electronics Company, December 11, EE, Phy (degrees to be received in Jan.). PhD receiving degree in June also eligible.
Standard Oil Company of Indiana, December 15, eighth semester men, CE, ME, EE, Pet and Nat Gas.
Campbell Soup Co., December 11, eighth semester men, Ag Bio-Chem, Chem Eng, Chem, Comm Chem, ME.
Baldwin Locomotive Works, December 12, eighth semester men, ME, EE.
Pennsylvania Power and Light Company, December 17, eighth semester men, EE, ME.
Arrangements for interviews should be made at once in 204 Old Main.

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Letters from the Editor's Mailbox

Nittany Dorm Food Problem

TO THE EDITOR: The dietetic staff at Nittany Dormitories was surely seeking revenge last week to the current wave of protests against the food. Or was the staff merely guilty of more lack of insight and preparation?

The food last week was probably the worst all semester—and that wasn't only because the men returned from Thanksgiving vacation with high hopes. One afternoon the menu consisted of macaroni, hashed-up tomatoes, and jello (in addition to the more palatable bread, butter and milk). One could dissent on with grievances galore but the only solution seems to be to eat it, swear in your milk, and gripe with your fellow sufferers back in the dorm.

But Saturday night capped it off. The entire extension ate in half the dining commons—served by one line. Needless to say the wait was long even if the french fries weren't too cold. Those who graduate by June 1948 can count the months but when you have to count the years . . .

I wonder how the College can attract boarders with the present food conditions and a less congested housing situation?
—Bennett Lear Falrorth

Congratulations to Hig's Boys

(Note: This is a copy of a letter sent by Wm. S. Hoffman, secretary of the Council of Administration, to members of the football squad and the coaches.)

At the meeting of the Council of Administration held on November 24, 1947 it was voted unanimously to write you congratulating you on the very fine record made by the Penn State football team during the past season. This letter is not written only because it was possible for the team to win nine consecutive games but it is written with the thought in mind that it was the work of a team rather than of a group of individual stars. The Council of Administration is sure that the team work you have used during the past season has taught you lessons which will be of tremendous import during the coming years after you have long been separated. I need not add that my personal congratulations accompany this letter to you.

Very truly yours,
—Wm. S. Hoffman, Secretary.

Save Suhey's Jersey

TO THE EDITOR: I think that some action should be instituted to have Steve Suhey's football jersey "62" placed in the Rec Hall shrine. It would complete the great number of honors bestowed upon Penn State's "Sixth Immortal," and give added incentive to football players coming after him.

Hoping that something can be done in this suggestion, I'll cast the first vote.
—F. W. Smith.

Sophomores Protest

TO THE EDITOR: We sophomores have almost a semester of Penn State life under our belts now, and most of us have liked it. We have found here much that we missed as freshmen—fraternities, programs, and clubs—and we have developed interest in them. Behind these likes and dislikes has been the feeling that we, as students, are important. Student opinion seemed to be a weighty factor in determining school policies. The student press has been free, frank, and fair. Especially have we liked the student government—an organization which appeared to be a powerful force in determining policy of the college administration.

But yesterday we read Collegian's headline, "Trustees Reject Coop Store," and now we are beginning to wonder. Founding a Coop is one of the Student Council's major projects, and was proved to have firm student backing. IF A COLLEGE IMPROVEMENT THAT IS WANTED SO GREATLY AND IS SPONSORED BY THE HIGHEST STUDENT ORGANIZATION IS REJECTED? WHAT CHANCE DO WE HAVE TO PROGRESS? When we take a step forward are we going to ram a stone wall? Such sport does not appeal even to sophomores.

The action of the trustees has done more to us new students than lessen (or kill) our chances of saving dollars. It has raised in us a sense of skepticism concerning the motives of our administration. It has made us doubt the importance of the student and his opinions in determining college policy. And it has weakened our enthusiasm for a better Penn State.

Damage has been done.

Bill Renshaw
Louis A. Ploch
Bill Custer
Phil Neely

First Come . . .

TO THE EDITOR: Far be it from me to question the wisdom of our All-College President, Athletic Association President and the Editor of the Daily Collegian. I am sure, however, that many students want to know why this raffle idea suddenly appeared as a distribution system. And at all times to come up with a lottery, planning a trip to Dallas, making reservations, etc. is too big and too expensive an undertaking to leave to chance. If we must have a raffle why not a local event?

The fact is this. It has been "First come—first served" for

all tickets at the AA Office and the Student Union Desk for years, and most of the students took this fact for granted in placing their orders for Cotton Bowl tickets. Particularly in this case, those who made early decisions to attend the game, placed an early order and since then have made extensive plans—these students should have priority.

It is almost ironical that in the same issue of the Collegian it is announced that the only sure way of getting to the Bowl is to take the "Alumni Special."

The individual raffle outcome is relatively unimportant. Its sudden appearance at a time like this is lamentable and will raise a question and add to the confusion of every future ticket sale.

Robert C. Boedecker

Mr. Matternas . . .

TO THE EDITOR: Dear Mr. Matternas, unbiased benefactor of student government:

Unbiased? It seems to me that you were one of the gentlemen who started a political party on campus. I quote a recent Collegian, "For further analysis. . . Are you sure you can state the facts without prejudice?"

I write as a non-party member who votes for what and whom I think best for the student government, and not for the glory of the individuals.

False promises to people, collectively or individually, are deceit. How many promises did the winning party renege on? Quite a few!

Compare those platforms again, Mr. Matternas, and "honestly" criticize them. Stop digging up the past and deal in the present facts.

William Bateman

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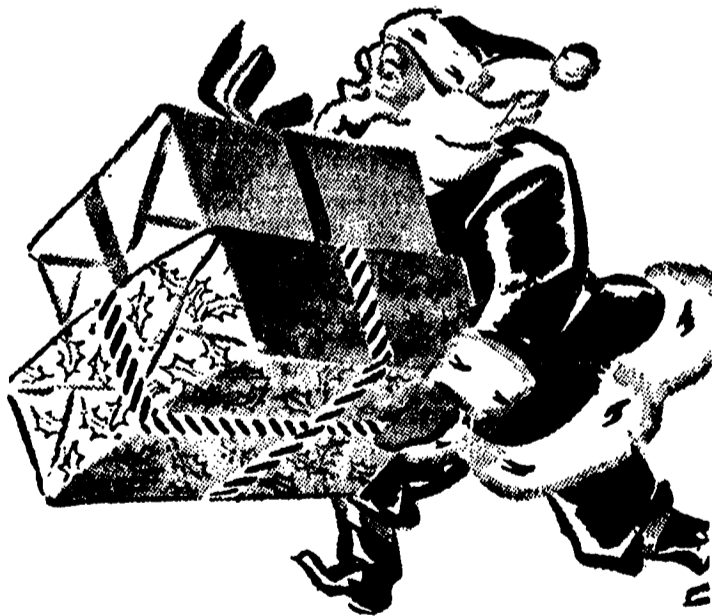
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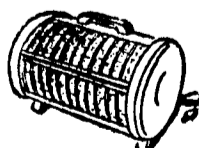
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Remember the Co-op

Any student on the campus who has ever had a gripe about prices in State College cannot afford to withdraw his support from the co-op movement. The defeat of the co-op by a vote of the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees will become decisive only when the students adopt an apathetic attitude toward the realization of the project.

As long as interest remains at a high pitch there will be strong possibility for further action. Student sentiment, at this time, indicates that the issue is not just a matter of record, it shouldn't be. The co-op movement has gained more support than any other campus project in recent years, except Student Union. Economically, both projects have similar purposes: to help the student save money.

The decision of the executive committee left the co-op committee with few alternatives. However, there is nothing to prevent the students from establishing a co-op in town, or paying the College for the use of the space, light, heat and maintenance services which were mentioned in the rejection. The primary drawback of either plan is that the cost of maintaining the co-op would probably exceed the profits which should go to the purchasers. While this plan would not prove profitable in a dollar sense, it would give satisfaction to a great many students who are not in favor of the suppression of free enterprise, and even more strongly opposed to having the small business interests in State College placed above the welfare of the student body.

If the executive committee was fully aware of the importance of this project to the student body, and the amount of preparation which preceded its presentation, the answer would not have come in a few sentences. Rather, the committee would have availed itself to confer with student leaders for further information regarding present conditions. This approach may have led to satisfaction of the project . . . or a better understanding of why it was defeated.

It would prove embarrassing if the members of the executive board were asked how many students they queried before making such a momentous decision which affected everyone on the campus. It is significant that none of the members of this committee reside in State College or in the immediate area. Their sole contact with the student body is through the mails or by what the courts term hereafter. The fact remains that this evidence, or lack of it, was used to defeat the co-op. The reasons given the students for the rejection were inadequate; the scope of the problem demanded a fuller, more factual reply.

If the co-op, like the Student Union, is important enough to the individual student, the project will not be forgotten. —LGF