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A Flick at Finals

Beginning June 2 Penn Staters will once again take up an ancient ceremonial rite known locally as final exams. Like downhill snowballs this tradition has been rolling on for so many years, it has become a victim of inertia—nobody knows how to stop it.

BECAUSE OF ITS NUMEROUS justifications many do not want to stop it, but those who do are overwhelmed by the respectability which surrounds it and are inclined to be timid about suggesting changes.

We are suggesting that finals are unnecessary in some courses. In fact they are pointless in courses which do not require text books and do not cover some definite area of factual or theoretical material.

Why, then, should a prof feel that he must give finals in all courses simply because "it's being done."

WE ARE ALSO SUGGESTING that the world would not come to an end if a particular final were moved to a time or place more convenient for all concerned. The natural objection to this is that it will be unfair to students who have already made plans and the administrative officials who have scrupulously devised the schedules.

But if most of a class, including the instructor want the final at some other time, say the last class of the semester, and can't purely because of a schedule, the emphasis, we say, is way out of line.

As it stands now, to qualify for a conflict exam one practically has to sign a non-communist affidavit. Students with summer jobs find this especially bothersome. They want to take exams early and in many cases the instructors don't care one way or the other.

But so long as final exams remains an un-touchable subject, we're doomed it seems, to bow to the almighty schedules.

—Herbert Stein

Safety Valve

Facilities of a Student Press

TO THE EDITOR: In reference to Mr. Allen's and Mr. Morgan's letter of the 17th, on the student press, I agree that is is a case of a simple mathematics, but the figures do not add up to a student press.

The figure of \$25,000 is pretty much an arbitrary one, which would come close to buying equipment insufficient for the use of the Daily Collegian. The other publications on campus would not be able to use this equipment because the three monthly publications alone would occupy much of the shop's time and facilities. The Daily Collegian as well as the minor publications on campus would still be forced to go to outside publishers in order to get their work done.

For an adequately sized shop, press and other necessities to compete with commercial publishing houses a sum of more than three times the one now is necessary.

Vote for the student press, yes, but do not expect immediate results, but rather our children will read Penn State's publications printed by a student press.

—Marlin A. Weaver
Business Manager
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Letters to the Editor should be addressed—The Daily Collegian, Box 261, Boro. The writer's name will be withheld upon request, but no letter will be printed unless it is signed.

Look Before You Leap

TO THE EDITOR: The furor caused by, as you call it, "The Lorch Case," causes me no end of wonderment. Is your vascillation the result of further study into the matter, or only the desire to keep the "sensational" alive?

As a typical engineer, and one who is by the way eighth semester, I have had little time to do much else but read your paper. This note may then be justly interpreted as the dying statement of a senile senior.

In my tenure, I have seen your paper fan the flames of the barber shop situation, the Alpha Kappa Psi episode, the present "Lorch Case," and countless others into conflagrations, the size of which leads the reader to interpret them as incidents of international import. Then the student who feels that his college life would be an utter failure unless he joined in some "world-cleansing" crusade, answers the call, and the resulting publicity certainly does nothing. "For the glory of old State."

But who are these students who so quickly answer the call—are they the average students—no! They are the same ones who can be seen on the corners at election time passing out that "pink-tinted" propaganda. You've seen them—so have I.

Now back to the "Lorch Case." I would never have been moved to write this, had it not been for the petition I was asked to sign—the purpose of which was to ask the College to reconsider its stand on the "Lorch Case."

The "pinks" here at the College have emphasized the racial aspect of the case to the utmost, but they have consistently shied away from any mention of the man's obligation to the College as a teacher. The "pinks" have seen another opportunity to employ those tactics so well known to us all—the pitting of one minority group against another. Let's look at this for what it is—a simple release of an instructor who, pit by the College as hirer and firer and, as such, more capable of passing such judgment than any student — was not the man they wanted.

Staters, I ask you, indeed, I charge you, don't go off on any tangent, let's study these rantings, let's analyze them before joining in any campaign.

And to you of the Collegian, I say that your discretion in the matter has shown the poorest kind of publicity to this institution. You and your staff have failed the students, the administration, and the Commonwealth.

—Name Withheld

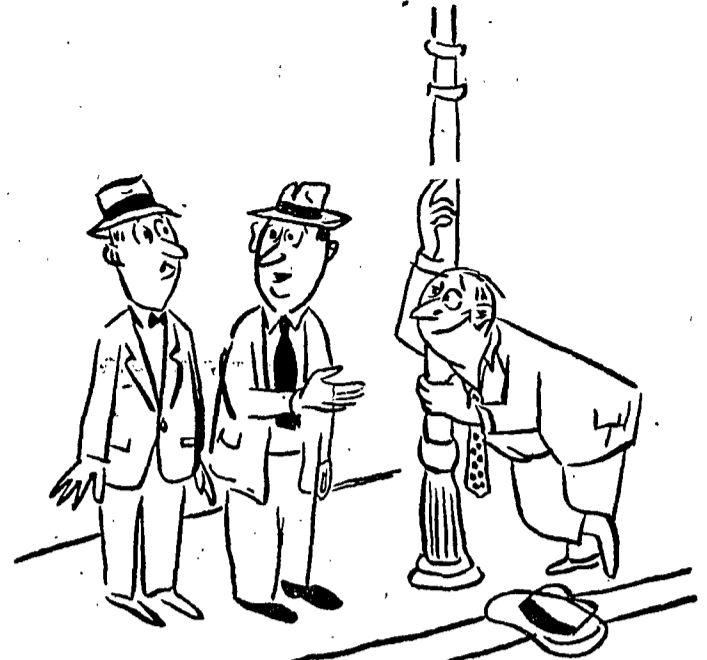
Gazette

Thursday, May 18

CLOVER CLUB, 103 Ag. Bldg., 7 p.m.
NAVAL RESERVE COMPOSITE GROUP,
Naval lecture Room, Eng. E., 7:30 p.m.
STUDENT ACADEMIC FREEDOM COMMITTEE, 217 Wil., 7 p.m.
WRA BADMINTON CLUB, Gym, White Hall, 4 p.m.
WRA FENCING CLUB, Room 1 White Hall, 7 p.m.
WRA LACROSSE GROUP, Holmes Field, 4 p.m.
WRA SWIMMING CLUB, Pool, White Hall, 7:30 p.m.

COLLEGE PLACEMENT

Further information concerning interviews and job placements can be obtained in 112 Old Main.
J. C. Penny Co., May 19. June grads in C & F for retail sales work.
Kawneer Co., May 19. June grads in Engineering for sales training program. Men with technical background and some experience in business preferred. No priority.
American Steel and Wire Co., May 19. June grads in IE for junior engineering position. No priority.
Radio Corporation of America, May 24. June grads in EE, ME, and Chem E for production and power work in their television tube plant.
Main and Company, CPA's May 24. June grads in Accounting with 1.5 or better average. No priority.
Travelers Insurance Co., May 25. June grads for commission sales in Penna. No priority.



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"This is Mr. Finizi. He's a wine taster."

Elective List In Timetable

In response to students' desire for general courses in fields outside their majors, the Committee on the Elective Program has set up a list of courses suitable for students in any curriculum at the College.

The list is composed of courses recommended by the various schools in which they are given. It is not intended to be exhaustive, and it includes only courses to be offered in the Fall Semester.

The list is to be found on page four of the timetable for the Fall Semester.

Lit I Scheduled

Comparative Literature I, omitted from the timetable, will meet at 2:00 p.m. Monday and Friday and 9:00 a.m. Wednesday. The place of meeting will be announced in the corrected timetable. The course is directed by Prof. William Edgerton.

Deferment Blanks Ready

Application blanks for deferment of fees for the first semester of 1950-51 are ready at the Office of the Bursar. They may be filed without fee up to and including August 31, 1950.

Industrial Ed. Elects

The Industrial Education Society elected officers for the coming year at its meeting Tuesday. President, Robert Krayer; Vice-President, Richard Griggs; Sec-Treas., Howard Guest; Board of Governors, Vincent Griffis, William George, Robert Bartels, Byron Rinehimer, and Faculty Advisor, Mr. Winters.

Council Plans Data Sheet

The major issue of the last meeting of the Engineering Student Council was a discussion of the plan to re-institute printing of senior data sheets.

Past graduating classes have used data sheets and found that they were of great benefit in applying for jobs. Such sheets, made up by a commercial printer, college activities, former, would list educational occupational experience and other pertinent information under a wallet size picture of the graduate.

Newly elected representatives of the council were installed at the meeting.

After the meeting a social mixer was held with the heads of the various engineering departments at the Phi Gamma Delta fraternity house.

ZBT Plans Party On Maim Street

Something new in the way of houseparties is being planned by Zeta Beta Tau fraternity for this weekend. The theme of the party is traffic safety and the party has been titled "Maim Street ZBT."

The safety program will begin today and end Saturday night with the awarding of a trophy for the best short rhyme emphasizing safety. The fraternity's carnival booth today will contain a reaction time machine to check driver reaction in all types of circumstances.

On Saturday afternoon Nit-nay avenue will be closed from Pugh to Locust lane, and will be the scene of a driver's hazard course.

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