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Earlier Directory Would Be Big Help

Students have expressed protest and dissatisfaction for the past several weeks about the lateness of the sale of student directories, often blasting the department of public information, whose job it is to get the book ready for the students. This year's directory appeared almost four weeks later than that of last year, but for several good reasons.

The primary reason was the inability of the printer, Carroll Press, to get paper for the directories due to a truckers' strike in the printer's area. Another reason was the absence of Wendell S. MacRae, College publications production manager, who plays a major part in preparing the book for publication.

However, even at this late date, students at Penn State have their directories before many other colleges. A report on a meeting of campus publication officers of 15 universities showed that only one, Ohio State, has a directory before December. Campuses included in the report are Columbia, Temple, University of Pittsburgh, Carnegie Tech, Cornell, New York University, Syracuse, Ohio State, Indiana, Maryland, Rutgers, Massachusetts State, Union, and Penn State.

The reason the Ohio State directory appears so early (Nov. 6), is because the school does not check or verify the names, and because an early deadline is set for inclusion in the booklet.

A further study of the Penn State directory situation reveals that its publication and sale are really a service to the students. The actual cost, counting the printer's costs and the work done by the College, average out to 50 cents per copy. Yet, the College sells the book for 35 cents.

This year's directory was delayed by matters entirely out of control of the department of public information. That department should, however, realize the benefits of an earlier published directory to students and faculty members, and certainly to the telephone information operators. They should try to find a faster way to get out the publication, beginning speedy production immediately after registration.

—Chuck Obertance

"Education is a thing of which only the few are capable; teach as you will and only a small percentage will profit by your most zealous energy."—Anonymous

SU Is Excellent Foundation Project

The newly-formed Penn State Foundation, set up to act as a solicitation agency for alumni and general public gifts to the College, appears to have found a worthy project for its first undertaking.

According to Bernard P. Taylor, executive director of the foundation, the agency's first major undertaking will be to help with the furnishing of the new Student Union Building.

Taylor has predicted that both alumni and non-alumni will be very willing to help furnish the building.

The legislature can probably be expected to look with some disfavor upon a suggested appropriation to furnish the building. Any help which could be obtained from outside sources would be of tremendous help.

The Penn State Foundation may prove a tremendous aid to the College in years to come, especially as a solution to obtaining needed College facilities which the legislature cuts from the biennial appropriations.

In view of the recent Chesterton committee report, the law-makers in Harrisburg may tend to be even more cautious than they have in the past in doling out funds to the College. The foundation may be a big help in meeting the needs of the College.

—Jim Gromiller

Safety Valve—

Change 1953 Calendar

TO THE EDITOR: Upon observing the calendar for the fall semester of 1953, as printed in the front section of the student directory, it is again evident that little foresight was put into the planning of this calendar. As the case was this year, the Pitt football game is scheduled for the Saturday before the Thanksgiving vacation begins. Once again, the students who wish to see this game will be required to return to school for two and one-half days.

This year All-College Cabinet passed a resolution to lengthen the Thanksgiving vacation and shorten the Christmas vacation, so that the students wouldn't have to make this double trip (I believe a majority of the student body was in favor of this proposal), but College authorities rejected this plan, arguing that action had been taken too late for any change to be made. However, I am sure that it is not now too late to change the calendar for 1953 into one which will be more suitable to the student body.

—Karl Segner

Editor's Note: Next year both Christmas and Thanksgiving vacations end on Mondays. Classes resume after Christmas on January 4. These factors appear to make it impossible for the practical switching of dates, adding to Thanksgiving vacation and cutting from Christmas vacation, as was suggested this year.

Gazette...

Friday, December 12
HILLEL, Sabbath eve services, Chanukan Program, 8 p.m.
INTER-VARSITY CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP, 405 Old Main, 7:30 p.m.
WRA HOCKEY CLUB, Holmes Field, 4 p.m.
WRA SWIMMING PLUNGE HOURS, White Hall, 7:30 to 9 p.m.

STUDENT EMPLOYMENT
Permanent part-time job in multilithing operation.
Woman to do housework mornings, five days a week.
Boys to work for meals.
Grad student for library work in evening from 5 to 7.
Living Quarters and meals for couple without children in exchange for work.

Little Man on Campus By Bibler



"Worthal's not a fast player, but there's a great piece of deception in the way he can swallow air."

Campus Capers



By JULIE IBBOTSON

"The Daily Collusion" is the title of a little, yellowed four-page newspaper which popped up mysteriously in the office of The Daily Collegian last week.

Making like Sherlock Holmes, we investigated the subversive-looking little newspaper. It turned out to be a well-preserved copy of the one and only edition of The Daily Collusion five years ago. And it was just as humorous as it sounds, a priceless parody on the regular Daily Collegian.

Collusion burlesqued all of the Collegian's regular features so dear to the heart of each Penn State reader: (as we staff-members like to think). "Gazette," "News Briefs," "Co-Edits," sports page, ads... absolutely nothing was sacred to the Collusion's staff.

For example, "Late News Flashes" became "Late News Flushes." One read:

WASHINGTON — Mary Margo Trulady made her singing debut in the Gray (it needs a new paint job) House shower room last night. Miss Trulady sang an aria entitled, "Ring Around My Bathtub." A few "News Briefs" from Col-

lusion follow:

"BANQUET. A special banquet honoring the twelve cows who have done the most for the College through service, character, and scholarship will be held at Goldies, in Snow Shoe at 9:30 tonight.

FROTH. Depinnings, broken engagements, and divorces to be announced in the next issue of Froth (if it isn't censored) must be turned in to Hedda Hopper at the Armpit by 5 p.m. tomorrow."

"College Placement" listed many interesting positions available to Collusion readers who were graduating seniors.

For instance: "Loew's Theater (Continued on page five)

FRESHMEN, SOPHS - JUNIORS!

You can receive a

BIG GIFT BUYING CHECK before NEXT CHRISTMAS

Buy in State College next December—with no budget-strain. Start with as low as 25c and join First National's

CHRISTMAS CLUB FOR STUDENTS

Deposit small weekly amounts. You get it back DECEMBER 1, 1953 in time to buy gifts for Christmas.

Start Saving Now — Don't Worry Later

FIRST NATIONAL BANK

OF STATE COLLEGE



Another Week of Classes and Then It's Home for the Holidays.

Don't wait until the last minute to get ready to go. Bring or send all the clothes you'll be wearing and using at home to Balfurd's, where they'll receive a personalized dry cleaning and pressing that will make you look just right for mom and dad, and that special boy or girl back home.

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