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Evening Exams: Are They Justifiable?

Complaints being voiced by students over evening examinations are partly justified, but the students themselves deserve the blame for some of the situations they gripe about.

Students, although they may personally object to evening examinations in general, have legitimate grounds for protests when departments do not conform with provisions listed in the Senate Regulations for Undergraduate Students. The administration has no way of knowing whether departments are following the regulations unless the students make violations known. By the same token, students do not know what the departments are justified in doing unless they are familiar with the regulations.

Every student receives a copy of the Senate regulations at registration each semester. Students somehow have the idea that everything in the little white booklet is a ruling putting restrictions upon him, and therefore he is not interested in reading its contents. He feels that he is familiar with the things he is not permitted to do, and which affect him directly.

Actually many of the regulations not only let the student know what is expected of him, they also let him know what he may expect from the faculty and administration. He can know whether he is being treated fairly only if he is familiar with the rules.

The requirements for holding evening examinations are defined in section I-9 of the Senate Regulations. Five requirements, according to I-9, must be fulfilled, in order to hold evening

examinations in courses not normally scheduled in the evening.

The five conditions as listed are:

a. Consent of the dean of the school in which the course is taught is obtained.

b. Not more than three such examinations are scheduled in any one semester in any course.

c. The evening examinations are scheduled in advance with the Scheduling Office and announced to the students during the first week of the semester.

d. Each student is permitted, in case of conflict between the examination and other scheduled University activities, to make up the examination without penalty.

e. The given course in which the evening examination is desired is a multiple section course of at least three sections given at different hours during the week.

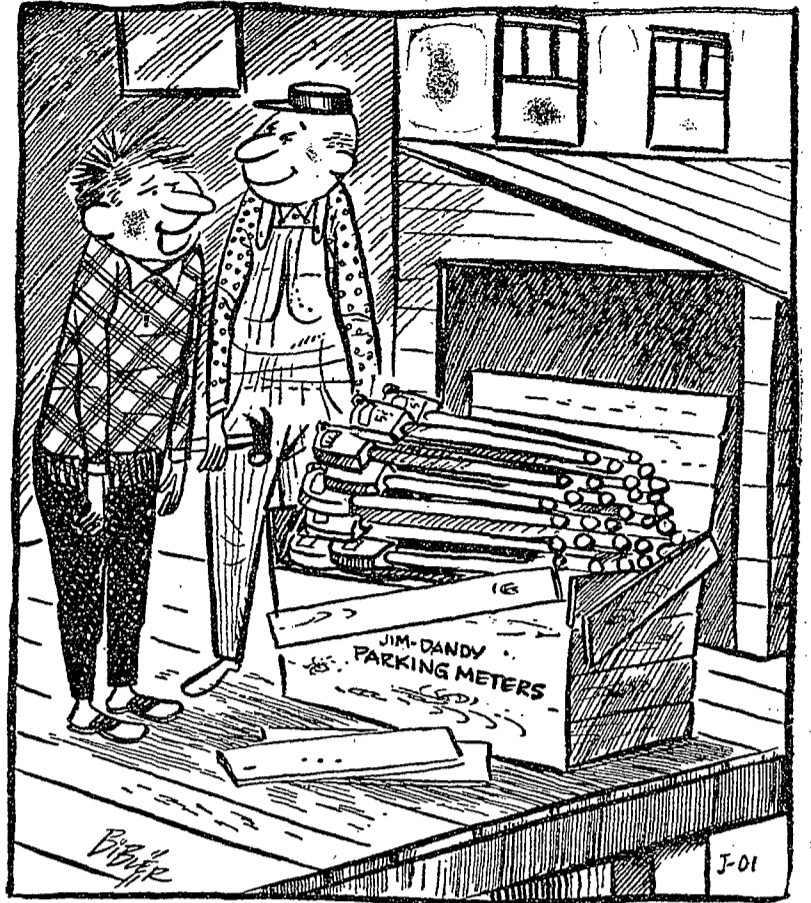
Apparently there are many departments in which the dates and times of evening examinations are not announced during the first week of the course. It is believed there are a few who are overly reluctant to permit students to make up exams when they conflict with other activities.

If students themselves would take the initiative in investigating violations, the situation might be remedied. The students have the evidence at their fingertips.

A University official suggested, when such matters occur, that the students refer such cases to their college councils, and that the councils report to the deans of the colleges. In this way students could get the justice they are crying for.

Little Man on Campus

By Bibler



"It's the gift of the senior class—they're to be placed out in Hort Woods."

History Prof Says:

Piety, Not Numbers, Needed in Churches

By MARNIE SCHENCK

Wouldn't it be better to have not more church members but more devout church members—not peace of mind, but concern of mind? concluded Ira V. Brown, professor of history, yesterday at the Faculty Luncheon Club in the State College Hotel. Brown was discussing the question of whether or not there is a return to religion in the United States at the present time.

Brown said there certainly seems to be signs of a return to religion, probably because of world crisis. He stated as a local example the religious bill boards on the roads leading into State College.

He said that recent statistics show that sixty per cent of our population belongs to a church, in fact church membership is increasing more rapidly than the population is increasing.

A look at the list of the best selling books over recent years would indicate a trend toward religion. Both non-fictional books and fictional books have constantly been high. For instance, on the non-fiction list are "A Man Called Peter," "The New Standard Revised Version of the Bible," "A Guide to Healthful Living," and in the fictional line the books by Lloyd Douglas.

Religion has been creeping into government. President Dwight D. Eisenhower starts all his cabinet meetings with prayer, his inaugural address started on a religious note and he is a steady church goer.

Brown also said that in education there is a marked tendency toward religion departments. The universities of Virginia and Iowa have recently set up such departments. A movement has been started at Penn State to combine our religion courses into a department with more courses, Brown added.

Brown went on to say that with a religious revival there are naturally revivalists. The leading revivalists in the United States are Bishop Fulton J. Sheen, Norman Vincent Peale, Billy Graham and Reinhold Niebuhr. Each man appeals to a different type of person and each teaches a doctrine of peace of mind, Brown said.

But, asked Brown, do the membership statistics really show increased religion? He doesn't think so. After all, it is easy to become a church member now and almost impossible to be thrown out, he said.

Religion in education is not as great as it was in Colonial times, he stated.

If this was a real religious

revival shouldn't there be religious leaders protesting such things as atom and cobalt bombs, and racial segregation? Brown asked.

Of the millions of copies of the New Standard Revised Version of the Bible which have been sold, Brown wonders how many people have actually sat down and read it.

Pivot Dedicates Today's Issue To Welsh Poet

Pivot, student poetry magazine which goes on sale today, has dedicated its current issue to the memory of Dylan Thomas, outstanding Welsh poet who read some of his poems at the University two years ago.

When Thomas died recently, his wife and three children were left without support. A fund for the education of his children is being raised by friends and admirers of the poet.

All profits from the sale of today's issue will be turned over to this fund. Contributions are also being accepted from individuals, and may be sent to Joseph L. Grucci, 245 Sparks.

The magazine contains a preface by Grucci called "Dylan Thomas — Poet of the Heart" with examples of Thomas' work. It also contains original poems by students. The general themes of the poems are descriptions of experiences of the twentieth century and portraits of people.

The magazine is published by students in English Composition 13, a poetry workshop. It will be sold today; tomorrow and Thursday at the Corner Room, the Mall, and the student union desk in Old Main. Copies are 25 cents.

Tonight on WDFM

7:30	Record Review
8:00	U.N. Story
8:15	Call Card
8:30	Tops in Pops
9:15	News
9:30	Music Hall
10:30	Sign Off

Infirmary Coed Visiting: Something's Needed

Many advances have been made this semester for Penn State men and women, but it appears that the coed-visiting situation at the infirmary is still one which needs correction.

Men may not visit women who are ill in the infirmary, and vice versa. This ruling applies even to brothers and sisters. This policy does not conform with the practices of hospitals serving the general public. A public hospital which followed such a practice might find itself with an ever increasing number of unsatisfied patients.

Spending a week flat on your back in the infirmary is one of the most undesirable situations possible. A visit from friends could certainly relieve this monotony. The closest students of opposite sex have been to visiting at the infirmary has been yelling out the window. This is not exactly a healthy practice for anyone seriously ill enough to be in the infirmary.

Definitely not a good solution, but a step in the right direction, would be a reading room in the new infirmary wing, which will be constructed this fall. However, patients seriously ill could not take advantage of it.

Possibly what the infirmary needs is a form of chaperonage. Nurses haven't the time to do this, but a few chaperones could certainly be found for the two hours visiting time allotted.

Chaperones however, in a supposedly adult institution of this size, are unnecessary. All the doors at the infirmary are open, and could be left that way.

Improvement of this situation should definitely be sponsored by some campus group, preferably All-University Cabinet. Perhaps chaperonage or a little faith in "Joe College-Betty Coed" would be just what the doctor ordered.

—Joe Beau Seigneur

HUB: A Proper Name

A champion of Penn State student government was deservedly honored by the University Board of Trustees last weekend when the new Student Union Building was officially named the Hetzel Union Building.

In the history of the University, Dr. Ralph Dorn Hetzel is no stranger. Dr. Hetzel served as president of the University for 21 years until his death in 1947. During these years Dr. Hetzel accomplished much in the way of promoting student government at the University. The student government room in Old Main was named the Ralph Dorn Hetzel Memorial Room after his death. There is a plaque that honors its "champion of student government."

The Board of Trustees' decision is a worthy one for the name of Dr. Hetzel is one that should not be forgotten over the so-called sands of time. It is a fitting tribute to a great man who unselfishly contributed his life's efforts to the University.

—George Bairey

Doubts are more cruel than the worst of truths.—Benjamin Franklin

Gross and Egli

At the beginning of the 1954-55 basketball season, John Egli will step into the shoes vacated by Elmer Gross as Penn State cage mentor. Gross leaves with a five-year record of 80 won and 40 lost, and Egli takes over with a fine record as an assistant coach and all-around best wishes for a successful first season and many to follow it.

Egli has served as assistant to Gross since he came to Penn State five years ago and they were teammates on the 1942 Nittany quintet, so he is no stranger to Lion basketball followers. Gross was a popular and successful cage coach here, and Egli will probably follow him in the same tradition. In time, Egli will become as much a basketball tradition at Penn State as was Gross.

Egli is to be congratulated on his advancement, and it is believed the student body will express confidence in his future success as head coach. University sports followers are sure to take Egli to heart just as they did Gross, and add their plaudits to his success. Gross needs no fanfare after closing his career on a highly successful note, and has been more than worthy of all the praise already thrown his way.

—Al Klimcke

Gazette . . .

Today

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE ORGANIZATION, 6:45 p.m., 304 Old Main

COLLEGIAN ADVERTISING STAFF, 7 p.m., 102 Willard

COLLEGIAN CIRCULATION STAFF, 6:30 p.m., Business Office

DELTA SIGMA PI, 7:30 p.m., Alpha Chi Rho

POLLOCK COUNCIL, 6:30 p.m., Nittany Dorm 20

PSYCHOLOGY CLUB, 7 p.m., 204 Burrowes

TOWN COUNCIL, 8 p.m., 106 Willard

WRA EXECUTIVE COUNCIL, 6:30 p.m., WRA Office

STUDENT EMPLOYMENT

Conrad Weiser Camp will interview men for summer work on Tuesday

Camp Quinibek will interview girls for summer camp jobs on Friday

Student wanted for meal jobs on and off campus

UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL

Jesse Arnelle, Richard Blank, Laura Chandler, John Fry, Edward Graham, Evelyn Grubb, Kenneth Hohe, Norman Levin, Courtland Nichols, Miriam Olander, Julian Rappaport, and Costas Thomas.

Stevens to Speak

Kenneth Stevens of Harvard and Oxford Universities will speak on "The Paramagnetic Resonance Spectra of the Iridium Chloride Complex" at a physics colloquium at 4:20 p.m. today in 117 Osmond Laboratory.

Chem-Phys Council

Newly elected members of the College of Chemistry and Physics Student Council will meet with old members at 8 p.m. tomorrow in 105 Osmond.

Wernstedt Will Speak

Frederick L. Wernstedt, assistant professor of geography, will speak on "The Lands and People of the Philippine Islands," before the Penn State Geographical Society at 7:30 p.m. tomorrow in 218 Mineral Science.

A bissextile year is leap year.