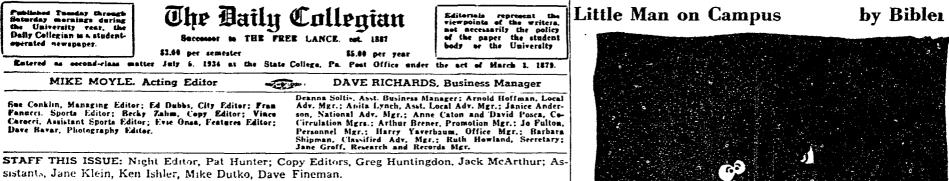
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WDFM Manager Mixed Up

George Mastrolanni, WDFM student station manager, accuses us of misinforming the readers, but we find that there are several points which he, himself should check into.

Mastroianni says that the staff wants more than anything else to have all the students hear the station. But they made no move tward find-ing an AM station until the idea was presented from outside. Jerry Radosh and Bruce Lieske, last year's Association of Indepndent Men president, did the original research and presented the idea.

We were at the student encampment commu-nications workshop when Dr. Walker discussed the improbabilities of obtaining an AM fre-quency. We realize the Dr. Walker practically said it would be impossible because the chances

are so small. Mastroianni says that WDFM has faced reality. He also said that station personnel have done their utmost to use it for maximum student benefit. If this is maximum benefit we suggest the station give up now. Instead of waiting and standing by as WDFM has done for three years we suggest that it start investigating other methods of getting the FM signals to the stu-dents. Mastroianni mentioned a few possibili-ties to use yesterday. We have seen no research done on the matter.

Mastroianni says that students who paid for the Hetzel Union Building did not benefit from

at Work **Student Government**

The clamor has been loud and persistent for the last two weeks.

Everyone is worrying about the possibility that the student agitation over the Christmas vacation issue might die out. Many people were determined that this should not happen; thus there have been many letters written to the editor blasting away at both student govern-ment and the administration.

The administration was hit as being the cause of the shortened vacation and student govern-ment was generally described as being a bunch of idle, "do-nothings" who were being pushed around by the administration.

Well, we hope that everyone is satisfied now that the explanation of the whole situation is out. If the camplainants think their student leaders can do any more, they should send their ideas to The Daily Collegian or to their student representatives on Cabinet.

Student government is going all-out to have

it. The money spent here is an investment. Students who graduate can come back and use it. Also, the many students here now are benefiting from buildings built with the money from former classes. With a radio, newspaper, or show a student should expect to get what he pays for at the time he pays. He indicates that only about half the number

He indicates that only about half the number of papers are printed each day as the number of students that attend the University. We might point out that two people can, and should read the same paper. And even if a student only got a paper every other day, he would still get far more proportionally than the amount he pays per semester. Mastroianni also asks about the students that pay for the Hort Show in comparison to the number that attend. We might point out that only agriculture students pay for the show and probably a higher percentage of them attend than the percentage of students at the University who attend basketball games. He says that WDFM is broadcasting an above average program for four hours every day and giving some 60 students valuable experience.

giving some 60 students valuable experience. The fine broadcasts are of no good except to those who broadcast them and the meager few who hear them. Silent radio is not worth 20 cents a semester. Let the 60 students who benefit pay for it if it is such a valuable experience.

-Sue Conklin

the Christmas vacation extended one day. They

believe, like all students that the present set-up is completely out of the realm of the reasonable and they will try to prove this to the University Senate on Dec. 4. We fervently hope that the complaints will stop now and that students will realize that student leaders are striving for the same goals

student leaders are striving for the same goals as the student are. If two groups get together it could bring enough pressure to bear on the people who can extend the vacation. But everyone should realize that the work which was being done all the time the com-plaints were flooding in is now known. Now the students can see and judge for themselves whether on pat the student bedong and doing whether or not the student leaders are doing their jobs and keeping the best interests of the students first in their minds. We don't think that anyone can deny that these interests are being protected to the highest

degree.

-The Editor

Safety Valve

WDFM Trying TO THE EDITOR: I would like to present the facts about WDFM to Sue Conklun and to the readers she is misinforming. It seems she failed to examine these facts before writing her editorial for last Wednesday's paper.

WDFM is hardly a practice laboratory for the Speech Department, as Miss Conklin said. As a matter of fact, of the sixty active WDFM per-sonnel, there are nine who are Speech majors. WDFM's studios and facilities are used daily by radio classes . . . this is true, but for the most part, these facilities were supplied, not from student funds, but by the Speech Department budget.

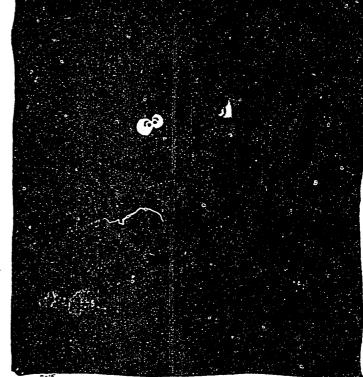
Miss Conklin advocated that the staff members of the radio station and the cabinet ap-pointed radio committee, should work on ob-taining an AM frequency. A preliminary frequency search sponsored by the University has

been underway for over a month. The WDFM staff wants more th else to have all the students hear the station. We want an AM outlet if possible. Since the station is owned by the University and controlled by the Federal government through the Federal Communications Commission, the student staff can only express its wishes to the University . . . and it has done this. Miss Conklin was present at the Student En-

discussed the difficulties, expense and considerations involved even before making application to the F.C.C. for an AM license. Recommenda-

tions made at that time are being followed. Miss Conklin also advises that WDFM face reality. We have done so since our first broad-cast day in 1953. An FM transmitter was donated to us. By accepting it, the University saved several thousand dollars. Now that we have the FM outlet, we have done our best to use it for maximum student benefit. We realize that many of the students cannot hear us, and we have sought to remedy this through the transponders and the frequency search. The transponders have not been satisfactory-the

F.C.C. will have final say on an AM allocation —the University will say if we will build or not. As far as the 20 cent assessment per student is concerned, I would ask: How many people paid for the HUB and graduated before it was built? How many Collegians are printed, when some 12,000 students are assessed every se-mester? How many people are assessed for the Hort Show and don't attend? My point is that WDFM is not only broadcasting an above average program schedule four hours every day and giving some sixty students valuable experience, but it is doing its best to find a way for all the students to hear it. The student assessment for WDFM now, will contribute in time to an outlet that will be heard by everyone. GEORGE MASTROIANNI



- if I'm to be the faculty chaperon for this dance "I said -I'd like the lights turned up a little."

-'Round the Rim— Why Ration Our Christmas Vacatio By BECKY ZAHM

Now that elections are over the meager Christmas vacation coming up is in the student limelight.

Everybody knows the too numerous to mention reasons why the vacation should be lengthened. But practically no one has noticed that the rules of procedure originally set up

one has noticed that the rules of procedure or summer of the Calendar Committee by the University Senate stipulated that the Christmas vacation should be slated to run for a 14 to 15½ day period. The rule was originally incorporated at the suggestion of the Calendar Committee but was ammended last May. According to an official source the attitude of the administration is—We make the rules, we'll break them. This brings to mind that old saying

The display menus behind the counter in the Lions' Den got a face lifting the other day. Some prankster revised Milk-shakes, Ice Cream and Cokes to Go to read—Milkthakes, Ice Cweam and Coeds to Go. Shades

of Elmer Fudd! While on the subject of food— a new organization has emerged. You've heard of the Pizza Club held traditionally on Thursday night at the Tavern. As of late a Friday at Four Rice Pudding Club is gathering at the Corner

heid traditionally on Thursday night at the Tavern. As of late a Friday at Four Rice Pudding Club is gathering at the Corner Room. The Corner Room is noted for its scrumptious rice pud-dings, however yesterday it goofed. When the rice pudding club convened it sadly dis-covered that the Corner Room had run out of it—yep, you guessed it—rice pudding. Seems like Ye Olde Daily Col-legian is being assailed with let-ters to the editor blasting our editorials for lacking the facts. Then these letters merrily con-tirum of a run out of it—yen, you editorials for lacking the facts. Then these letters merrily con-tirum of a run out of it—yen, you editorials for lacking the facts. Then these letters merrily con-

Campus Chest--

(Continued from page one) "Those town men wh. did con-tribute, gave very well," Long said.

Long said that the drive was comparatively successful, on the whole. He noted that average con-tribution per person to date was 62 cents. This is a 17-cent increase

They are: 1. Students were not aware of

campment Communications workshop where Dr. Walker explained the AM-FM problem, and

These 'Polite' Operators

TO THE EDITOR: In as much as I am new to this campus I am not as yet familiar with all the customs of this institute of higher learning. But I am sure that students aren't required to listen to the smart remarks of the campus "Mil-ton Berics" who call themselves operators, every time they pick up the phone to place a call

Granted, there are some nice, polite ones but the wise ones highly surpass them with their quick tongues and big mouths.

I am not the only one to notice their superior attitude and sample some of their wise re-

Student Station Manager

marks in reply to a simple question, such as, "When is it too late to call the dorms?" In reply to this question last night I received for my answer, "Where have you been since the start of school, sleeping?" I have to admit it took a capable and ready

wit to come up with such a smart remark in such a short time; but don't you think it would have made things a lot simpler and have saved my time and hers without undue taxation of her feeble mind if she would have answered her feeble ming it site would manner? my question in a polite manner? —Sam Gates

Ed. Note-Who said we haven't really received any complaints about University operators?

	Then these letters merrily con- tinue composed of a myraid of half-baked truths and faulty facts themselves. Seems like these would-be William Allen Whites could mend their own fences first. Or to paraphrase — People in Glass Dwellings Shouldn't Pitch Pebbles. Now, I'll venture out on a limb. Unarmed with facts, stu- dent opinion and what have you I'd like to express my dis- taste for the large amount of	a dollar can do. If there is a Cam- spus Chest campaign next year, the prime area of concentration will be informing students fully of what their money can do. 2. Students gave to other chari- ties at home or through summer jobs, and felt it was not necessary to give again. 3. Some students might think a dollar is too much.
	onions dumped into the dorm food. Or more correctly, the	This Weekend
	small amount of food mixed	On WDFM
	with dormitory onions.	91.1 MEGACYCLES
	No, I haven't taken an exten- sive poll to find out how many	
	students don't like onions. But I	7 7:00
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