

# Half-Day Yule Extension OK'd

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## Student Protests Bring Administrative Action

Students received an early Christmas gift from the University yesterday when, after several weeks of disappointed cries, the Yule recess was lengthened to 8 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 3.

The half-day extension, moving the closing date of the vacation period from 1:10 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 2, was announced yesterday by President Eric A. Walker. It followed a recommendation by the Council of Administration. The council voted that the half-day would not have to be made up.

**Receive Complaints**  
The action was taken after students and student leaders pointed out, among other objections to the shortened recess, that the original vacation period would make it necessary for many students to return to campus on New Year's day, thus creating what they felt to be a traffic hazard.

Some 100 letters of protest from parents were received by Robert Bahrenburg, All-University president.

**Action Explained**  
A University spokesman said that the Christmas recess was shortened this year to help solve a mid-semester congestion in late January that has brought complaints from students, parents, faculty members, and draft boards throughout the state.

"At the close of the first semester," the spokesman said, "there has occurred year after year an almost hopelessly congested period in which many things must be done—scheduling classes, giving examinations, marking examinations, computing grades, turning in grades for graduation, counseling and many more."

"This midyear confusion," the spokesman continued, "annually has caused students who failed courses without knowing it to register, buy books, and enter into rental commitments needlessly."

**Draft Board Difficulty**  
In addition, he said, draft boards from all over Pennsylvania need to know immediately what academic actions are taken so that they can determine who is and who is not eligible to continue work at the University. Lack of time between semesters has also caused embarrassment and confusion in this area, the spokesman added.

To remedy the situation, the Council of Administration appointed a subcommittee on mid-year procedures, which studied the problem thoroughly and at length and made several suggestions.

Most of these recommended the contracting of existing recesses, and it was finally agreed that two and a half days could best be taken from Christmas vacation.

This change was made known last May, and no objections, the spokesman said, were voiced until early November.

**State Draft Quota Issued**  
HARRISBURG, Nov. 26 (AP)—A draft call of 1,338 was issued today for January by state draft headquarters. All men called must be 22. The December call is 1,413 and last January's was 459.

## UN Grants Police Army \$10 Million

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y., Nov. 26 (AP)—The UN Assembly overrode Soviet objections tonight and approved a grant of \$10 million to pay the initial costs of the emergency police force in Egypt.

The vote was 52-9 with 13 countries abstaining. Only the Soviet bloc countries voted against it. The United States, Britain and France voted for it.

**Money Drawn from UN Fund**  
The resolution authorized Secretary General Dag Hammarskjöld to draw on a working capital fund of the UN for the expenses. It left to later Assembly action just how this money is to be repaid to the capital fund.

Before the balloting, Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister V. V. Kuznetsov demanded that Britain, France and Israel pay the full cost of the emergency force in Egypt and of clearing the Suez Canal.

**Russia Will Not Help**  
Kuznetsov told the Assembly that the Soviet Union would not accept any financial responsibility for either the police or salvage costs.

He spoke in the closing stages of another Middle East debate while the UN waited to see whether Britain, France and Israel would obey Assembly requests to get out of Egypt.

**End to Rift Sought**  
Meanwhile, Australian Foreign Secretary Richard G. Casey sought to repair the rift between the United States and her Western allies over Egypt.

Casey, one of the leading statesmen in the British Commonwealth and known as a good friend of the United States also, brought into the open the privately expressed wishes of many Western diplomats.

## Walker Family Occupies Presidential Mansion

President Eric A. Walker and his family moved into the presidential mansion near the engineering buildings on College Ave. over the Thanksgiving recess.

Dr. Walker became president of the University on Oct. 1 but delayed moving into the mansion until new furniture could be selected.

## Collegian Candidates

Editorial staff candidates of The Daily Collegian will meet at 7 tonight in 111 Carnegie. A meeting will also be held at 1:15 p.m. Saturday in the Collegian cityroom. The session will include practice in news writing.

## Exam Schedule Appears Today

The Final Examination Schedule for this semester is published on pages six and seven of today's issue.

Examinations begin at 8 a.m. Monday, Jan. 14 and end Jan. 22 at 5:30 p.m.

Students having two examinations scheduled at the same hour should file a conflict card in room 2 Willard Hall, the University Scheduling Office immediately. All conflicts must be filed not later than noon Saturday, Dec. 15.

## 4 Injured as Icy Roads Make Driving Perilous

By CHUCK DIROCCO

Snow, sleet, and icy roads caused numerous automobile accidents over the holiday weekend throughout central and western Pennsylvania and caused at least four injuries to students and one former student.

Most of the accidents occurred late Sunday evening when many students were returning from their homes.

Students reported being detained in their flight over the ice as long as five hours more than usual.

According to Bedford authorities, Earl Seely, former All-University president from the Main Line section of Philadelphia and Rebecca Zahm, copy editor of the Daily Collegian, Johnstown, were injured early Thursday morning on the turnpike near the Bedford interchange.

**Travelling to Johnstown**  
Seely, travelling from Philadelphia to Johnstown, crashed into the rear of a tractor-trailer carrying steel pipes.

Both Seely and Miss Zahm were taken to the Lee Hospital, Johnstown, after being treated at the Bedford Dispensary.

The Collegian copy editor suffered a broken right arm and bruises to the hip and face.

Seely suffered a broken artery above the eye, possible broken ribs, and badly bruised legs.

### Worries Over Christmas Cards

Miss Zahm's only comment at the time of the accident was "how will I ever be able to write my Christmas cards?"

Both have been released from the hospital and are well on their way to recovery at the Zahm's home.

**Two Injured at Cresson Mt.**  
Two other students were injured in a three-car auto accident late Sunday night on Cresson Mountain.

Janet Leff, freshman in education from Greensburg and Gary Daum, freshman in business administration from Pittsburgh, were treated at Mercy Hospital, Altoona, following the accident.

Police said the two were passengers in a car driven by Gerald Miller, sophomore in engineering from Jeanette.

Miller's car skidded and was struck by a car driven by William Fecke, senior in agriculture education from Pittsburgh.

### Car Struck Twice

The Miller car was then struck again by a car driven by Richard Giescke, junior in electrical engineering from Enon Valley.

In another four car accident, a car driven by Sid Nodland, sen-

## Films of Pitt Deadlock To Be Shown Tonight

Films of the 7-7 Pitt deadlock that probably ruined the chances of either team becoming the winner of the Lambert Trophy, symbolic of the Eastern Championship, will be shown at 7 p.m. tonight in Schwab.

John Chaffetz, head football manager, will narrate for the gridiron finale.



—Photo Courtesy Tyrone Herald

INJURED VICTIMS wait to be taken to hospital after the car in which they were passengers collided with another auto near the Blair-Centre County line yesterday morning. The other car reportedly was bringing students back to the University. No one was severely injured.

## Snow Hinted For Tonight

Cloudy skies are forecast for today with little change in the temperature.

Tonight is expected to be clear and colder.

The high temperature today, according to University weather officials, will be 33. Tonight's low mercury reading could bring on more snow, with the temperature falling below the freezing point.

Thermometers at the University weather station recorded temperatures reading in the low forties yesterday afternoon, and they never got higher. The low yesterday was 26.



## Barrett's Play To Be Filmed

The rights to the play, "Death of a Sand Flea," written by James Lee Barrett, a former student in theatre arts at the University, have been purchased by Jack Webb's independent film company for a reported \$30,000.

The play which was presented last month on the Kraft Television Theatre is the story of a young Marine recruit who finds it difficult to adjust to the rigorous life of a Marine Corps rookie.

Originally entitled "The Pine Box," the play was written for the 5 O'Clock Theatre, a division of the University's Experimental Theatre which presents one-act plays in the Little Theatre in Old Main during the spring semester.

The play is the second film undertaking by the Webb firm. The first was "Pete Kelly's Blues."

## IFC to Vote on '100% FMA' Move

The Interfraternity Council will vote Dec. 10 on a constitutional amendment which would make fraternity membership in IFC automatically include membership in the Fraternity Marketing Association.

The amendment was presented to IFC last night shortly after the council approved by a 39-3 vote a motion favoring "a cooperative buying program in general."

**Two-thirds Vote Needed**  
The constitutional amendment, which must receive a two-thirds favorable vote, also provides for a review of the FMA constitution and its organizational structure and leaves enforcement of the program completely in the hands of the council.

Following a report on FMA by IFC Vice President Howard F.

Thompson, chairman of a council committee to study the organization, IFC approved FMA's present program in an 18-15 straw vote, with 13 abstentions.

**Text of Amendment**  
The amendment presented last night reads:

"In view of the fact fraternity joint-buying programs are a vital and integral part of fraternity systems at other major institutions, and that the Penn State FMA program, sponsored by IFC-AFC during the past four years, has proven the value of such a program for fraternities on this campus:

"The IFC, which is the parent organization, now declares the FMA to be the official buying agent for all fraternities affiliated with IFC and that fraternity membership in IFC automatically includes membership in FMA; the constitution of FMA be reviewed

in consultation with the executive committee of IFC in order to incorporate the necessary changes in organizational structure arising from this action; IFC shall exercise the same power to enforce fraternity participation in the joint-buying program as it does to enforce all its other decisions relative to Penn State fraternity welfare."

**To Go to House Meetings**  
IFC President Daniel Land advised fraternity presidents to bring the amendment before house meetings for consideration before the council's next meeting, Dec. 10.

The amendment was presented by David Hamrick, representative from Kappa Delta Rho and a member of the FMA Board of Trustees.

Hamrick said the amendment was made on a broad basis to give IFC a free hand in dealing with the organization.

