

Editorials

Christmas Gift for Larry

When Penn State students collected \$700 last February for Dick Kadis, injured Geneva College football player, they responded with promptness and generosity to a cause that was far removed from this campus.

The University was proud of this effort put forth to help just another college football player who was trying to make the football team in a small western Pennsylvania college, and who had some bad luck.

Now students will have the chance to respond with equal generosity for "A-Christmas-Present-for-Larry" drive tentatively set Dec. 8 to 15 by a student committee last night.

This fall a similar tragedy hit our own campus when freshman George "Larry" Sharp broke his neck and was paralyzed as a result of a trampoline accident.

Sharp, who is now at the Geisinger Memorial Hospital in Danville, has made little progress toward recovery. He has no use of his right hand and little use of the left one.

Sharp will be moved to the New York University hospital where there is a better equipped rehabilitation center.

The total cost of hospital and special care may run to as high as \$20,000 to \$30,000.

The University carries no insurance covering a student injured in an accident so the hospital expenses will have to be met by the Sharp family.

Cabinet has already voted to begin the "Christmas Present for Larry" drive by giving \$100. Then in December money will be collected from individual students, campus and town groups, fraternities, sororities, parents or for that matter anyone who would like to contribute.

The Dick Kadis drive was overwhelmingly successful and yet Kadis was unknown to Penn State students. This didn't make any difference.

Now "Larry" Sharp needs the same help. We hope students will feel five or more times as generous when the hat is passed around next month—"A Christmas Present for Larry."

It Would Be Nice

All-University Cabinet voted 14-10 last night to seek an extension of the Christmas vacation.

As presently scheduled (it's been changed twice already, we're told), the vacation will end at 8 a.m. Friday Jan. 3. This means that students must return to campus for Friday and Saturday classes.

The students, quite naturally, would like an extra weekend on their vacation. And quite a few will undoubtedly cut their Friday and Saturday classes whether the extension is granted or not.

The main reason for requesting such an extension is that it would be nice to have. Also, it would eliminate having to travel on the day after New Year's, a day when many motorists will be on the highways.

All-University Cabinet almost defeated the motion for a Yule holiday extension because some members—a small tightly-knit group—felt it was impossible to obtain.

We realize the possibilities to obtain an extension are few. However, this is no reason for Cabinet to refuse to request such action from the University.

All Cabinet is saying to the Senate Committee on the Calendar is, something to this effect: A longer Christmas vacation would be nice, and, if possible, could it be arranged?

We're sure that if the committee honestly feels it's impossible to arrange—and tells the student body why—the students will understand.

Safety Valve

Yule Vacation Is 'Frustrating'

TO THE EDITOR: The familiar cries of last year are being heard again this year (and we feel justly so) concerning the termination of the Christmas holiday vacation on Jan. 2, 1958.

The principal factor in favor of extending the Christmas vacation was the obvious hazard encountered on the highways by those students forced to drive in mid-holiday traffic.

The sole point offered by the calendar committee against the extension was that the school calendar had already been made up. After many protests from the student body and letters from the parents of many students, the committee evidently felt that an extension was good and justified. An extension was effected.

Why wasn't the extension incorporated into this year's schedule? Would it not be advisable to now change the schedule of this and coming years? Has the hazard on the highways disappeared? We think not.

The apparent lack of foresight on the part of the calendar committee may endanger the lives of the students, and completely frustrate their efforts along student government lines.

—Joseph Tomei, George H. Wells, George Sundy, Robert Harlin, Charles Quesia, '58

Senior Questions Rule Enforcement

TO THE EDITOR: It has been a little more than one year since the Interfraternity Council passed a rule forbidding fraternities from serving alcoholic beverages to freshmen.

Whether or not the freshman drinking ban is good has yet to be decided, but it's here to stay. However, the persons who believe the ban is rigidly enforced is either an idealist or a member of the IFC Board of Control.

Evidently, members of the board feel fraternities have enough morality to enforce the ban themselves for they certainly haven't been checking fraternities, or at least the ones I've been to.

I've seen seven fraternities openly violate the ban this semester, and laugh about it. In addition, some Greek groups have been serving beer at freshmen rushing functions after 1 a.m. Saturday mornings.

Sooner or later this year, some fraternity will get caught serving a freshman and get raked over the coals while other houses are getting away with it. This isn't exactly fair.

Enforcement is up to the members of the Board of Control, or is this another rule that "looks good on paper?"

—Larry Jacobson, '58

4 Students Name New Ice Cream

Four students have been named winners in a contest to name a new ice cream which is to be served in the Lion's Den.

The winners, who suggested the name "Lion's Delight," are Helen Baldwin, junior in education from Lewistown; Robert Pingel, junior in the division of counseling from Tyler Hill; David Pressman, junior in electrical engineering from Philadelphia; and Joe Roth, sophomore in business administration from Harrisburg.

Job Interviews

American Brass Co: Dec 6 BS, MS, PhD in BusAd (Acctg, Econ, BusMgt) EE, IE, ME, Metal
R. R. Donnelly & Sons: Dec 6 BS, MS in Acctg, BusAd, LA, ME, EE, IE, ChE, Chem, Phys, Math; PhD in Phys, Math
Standard Oil of California: Dec 6 BS, MS in ChE, ME, EE, Png, Metal, Chem; PhD in ChE, Chem, Phys

Tonight on WDFM

6:45: Sign on and News; 7:00 "A" Train; 7:50: State News and National Sports; 8:00: Hubzapoppin'; 8:30: Friday Night News Round-up; 9:00: Just For Two; 10:00: News; 10:02: Light Classical Jukebox; 11:30: News and Sign-off.

Spring Week Committees

Applications for Spring Week committee positions are available at the Hetzel Union desk. They must be returned by Dec. 8. Anyone may apply.

Little Man on Campus

by Dick Bibler



"Yes, I KNOW you have the same answers as Smith—you answers are wrong because YOU took a different test."

Ready or Not

It's a Rocky Road For Profs, Too

By Marian Beatty

Being a professor must be a tough job—almost as exhausting as that of being a student.

Not only must profs somehow manage to arrive at 8 o'clock classes, but also they are expected to deliver reasonably coherent lectures. And to add insult to injury, while lecturing they are confronted by nothing more inspiring than a room full of students who are sleeping, knitting, meditating, or snickering over "Peanuts" in the morning's Collegian.

Most profs seem to develop a hard, protective shell and console themselves with the thought that soon the entire class will go away.

Now and then, though, an incident occurs which cracks even the hardest shell and, while brightening up a dull day for students, leaves the instructor visibly shaken.

This week it happened to an econ prof, one of a breed which is generally unmoved by the wildest of student capers. The whole affair was caused by a fraternity pledge who had brought, in addition to the usual assortment of books, bundles, umbrellas and matches which are frequently carried by pledges, an alarm clock.

Other members of the class were soon attracted by the ticking, and were irresistibly tempted to test the alarm. They found it had splendid tone—penetrating for Delaware Livestock."

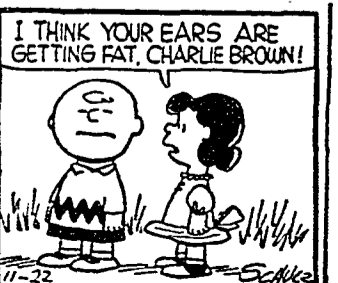


Gazette

TODAY
Academic Year Institute Colloquium, 3:10 p.m., 131 Temporary
College of Agriculture Forum, 4:10 p.m., 109 Armsby
Fluid Mechanics Seminar, 4:10 p.m., 1 Sackett
Hillel Sabbath Eve Services, 8 p.m.
Interlandia Folk Dance, 7:30 p.m., Hetzel
Union Ballroom
Mineral Industries Colloquium, 4:15 p.m., M.I. Auditorium
Newman Club Thanksgiving Dance, 8 p.m., Our Lady of Victory Church Hall
Ordnance Research Laboratory Colloquium, 4:10 p.m., 110 Electrical Engineering
Philosophy Club, 7:30 p.m., 215-216 Hetzel Union
Wesley Foundation Pilgrim Party, 8 p.m., foundation

Agronomy Prof to Talk At Annual Crop Show

Dr. John B. Washko, professor of agronomy, will speak at the 49th annual crop show of the Delaware Crop Improvement Association Monday at Dover, Del. Washko's topic is "Legumes versus Grass and Legume Mixtures for Delaware Livestock."



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