

Calendar Change

Quarter System Would Involve 12-Week Term, Most Retooling

The Gregorian astronomers had a simple problem compared to the one facing the Senate Committee on Calendar in trying to work out plans for putting the University on a 12-month operating basis.

The most complicated of the three proposed plans and the one requiring the most schedule "retooling," is the quarter system.

Under this plan, the calendar year would be divided into four terms, each between 11 and 12 weeks long. Thus, there would be sufficient time left over in the year so that the Christmas and spring vacations can be taken between terms, resulting in practically uninterrupted class schedules during each session, except for Thanksgiving in the fall term.

Under this system, 210 credits, rather than the present 132, would be needed for graduation, since the credits would be valued at only two-thirds of those in a semester system.

If the present year were set up on a quarter system, it would look something like this:

- First quarter — orientation and registration from Sept. 25 to Sept. 30; classes begin Oct. 1; Thanksgiving recess from Nov. 28 to Dec. 1; end of fall quarter Dec. 21.

- Second quarter — registration Jan. 6; classes begin Jan. 7; winter quarter ends Mar. 22.

- Third quarter — registration Mar. 31; classes begin April 1; spring quarter ends June 14.

- Fourth quarter — orientation and registration from June 18 to June 23; classes begin June 24; summer quarter ends Sept. 10.

The major vacations, then, would be as follows:

- Thanksgiving — Nov. 28 to Dec. 1.

- Christmas — Dec. 21 to Jan. 5.

- Spring — Mar. 22 to Mar. 30.

- Summer — June 14 to June 22.

Enrolled under such a system, a student could earn his degree in three or three and one-half years. If he did not desire to attend all four quarters, he could attend less and graduate in the regular amount of time.

Some of the retooling which would be made necessary by such a change includes an entirely new sequence of courses, a reworking of every course to fit the new pattern, conversion of credits from one system to another for all students who started under the semester system and for transfer students and working of finals into the regular term.

Prof Commended For Farm Article

C. Wallace Abel, assistant professor of journalism, has received a personal commendation from Dr. William L. Henning, Pennsylvania Secretary of Agriculture, for an article he wrote.

The article, "Don't Overlook the Farmer," appeared in the January directory issue of the "Press Bulletin" published by the Pennsylvania Newspaper Publishers Association.

Zelko Addresses Club On Employee Relations

Harold P. Zelko, professor of public speaking, addressed the Industrial Management Club of Coatesville on the subject "Management - Employee Communication in Action".

Zelko and Dr. Harold J. O'Brien, associate professor of speech, have collaborated on a book by the same title which was published recently by Howard Allen Inc. of Cleveland, Ohio.

Meteorologist to Discuss Air Pollution Problems

The use of ordinary weather information as an aid in solving the problems of air pollution is being discussed by Dr. Hans Neuberger, professor and head of the department of meteorology, before a national conference sponsored by the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare. The conference will end tomorrow, Feb. 8 in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Men's Team To Debate At Colleges

Two squads from the men's debate team will leave today for tournaments at William and Mary College and Kings College.

On the affirmative team for the William and Mary tournament are Jay Feldstein, junior in arts and letters from Elizabeth, and David R. Scott, senior in agricultural economics-rural sociology from State College.

On the negative team are Gerald Bogus, junior in arts and letters from Brownsville, and Robert W. Adams, senior in business administration from Johnstown.

Debating the affirmative side in the Kings College tournament will be Marshall Jacobson, junior in business administration from Clearfield, and William Dawson, junior in business administration from Girard.

Debating the negative side will be Byron LaVan, senior in business administration from Philadelphia, and Kermit Winkelblech, senior in chemical engineering from Ithaca, N.Y.

The debate team placed second in the Bucknell tournament Jan. 11. In that tournament, the affirmative team made up of Jacobson and Dawson won 3 and lost 1. The negative team of Bogus and Leonard Julius, sophomore in journalism from West Palm Beach, Fla., won four.

Bogus placed second and Julius placed third in the outstanding speaker competition. It was the first intercollegiate tournament for Julius.

Interviews Open For Interpreters

U.S. Department of State representatives will be at the Pennsylvania State Employment Office, 918 North Broad St., Philadelphia, until Feb. 14 to interview candidates for positions as escort interpreters.

Applicants should have broad educational backgrounds (preferably the equivalent of a college education) and a fluent knowledge of English and one or more foreign languages. An oral aptitude test is required, although no previous experience is necessary.

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