

Editorial Opinion

New Year's Resolution

Students will never forget much of the knowledge they gain at the University, nor the work that goes into earning a diploma. But long after they have forgotten grades, class schedules and study hours, many students will recall people, places and events which vitally affected them during the year 1958.

Certainly 1958's pleasant memories will include those dates and friends . . . the first touches of spring on the campus, fall's long Indian Summer, a cold snap or two . . . the fun of big weekends . . . the excitement of the stunning football victory over an outclassed Pittsburgh . . .

And a good many of the students' 1958 memories will involve travel, both local and long distance.

Perhaps students will remember blazing Autumn colors as seen from Skytop or from Route 220 east of Lock Haven . . . laurel in the Seven Mountains or the quiet beauty of the Spruce Creek valley . . . the smell of honeysuckle, the color of azaleas on a spring weekend home . . .

Perhaps they will remember a semester's break trip to New York City or Washington, D.C. . . . a New Year's party . . . driving home for spring vacation beside a turbulent Juniata or a broad Susquehanna . . . travelling a long, white expanse of turnpike or topping Cresson Mountain . . .

Perhaps students will remember summer 1958 as Ocean City beaches and nights at Somers Point . . . a view from Wyalusing Rocks on Route 6 . . . a Lake Erie vacation . . . or a mountain camping trip . . .

But travel has brought other memories to students during 1958—unhappy memories of friends and classmates killed or injured on the highways. And undoubtedly students will have some equally unhappy memories of highway tragedies during 1959.

The fact is that there are no "safe" roads. A fatal accident can easily occur on busy highways such as Route 322, the Lincoln Highway, Route 220, the Pennsylvania Turnpike. But traffic tragedy is no stranger to Route 6 across northern Pennsylvania, to New Jersey Route 52 out of Ocean City, to the Benner Pike or to the road to Whipple's.

Perhaps students can keep their new, 1959 highway record free from fatalities if they resolve to remember that it takes time to build happy memories—but almost no time at all to wreck happiness on the highways.

Need a Study Break?

Looking for something diverting to take your mind off those all-too-close finals? Take a glance at the extra-curricular lineup for the week:

Wednesday night—Eleanor Roosevelt will inaugurate the Lecture Series with a talk in Schwab Auditorium.

Thursday night—West Virginia's top-rated basketball team, paced by All-American Jerry West, will meet the Nittany Lions in Recreation Building.

Friday night—The gymnastics team will hold an exhibition meet with the touring Finnish gym team in Recreation Building. The meet will also include an exhibition by the Finnish women's gym team.

Saturday afternoon—The Nittany Lion gymnasts will again take the Recreation Building floor in a meet with the Temple University squad.

Saturday night—Lehigh University's perennially-tops wrestling team will meet the Lion wrestlers in Recreation Building.

Better study tonight.

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Letters

Reader Blasts 'Safety' Issue

TO THE EDITOR: I have just seen the Dec. 19 issue of The Daily Collegian, which you erroneously called your "Safety Issue."

I think your first line in the paper "These are not meant to disgust you but to frighten you" in referring to the pictures of wrecked automobiles spread across the front page is backwards. The pictures are disgusting and I am surprised to see a paper which should have high standards and is read by an intelligent public of University students and faculty would have to stoop to such cheap sensationalism to put across a point as important as highway safety.

How much better your issue would be if you took a positive approach toward highway safety and printed constructive articles to increase a driver's confidence and ability to drive safely. Pictures of wrecks, death and injury, which are not retained by the viewer for more than a few minutes, I would expect to see in some backwoods rag or fourth-rate big city sheet but not in a paper which should pattern itself after the finest papers printed.

J. Philip Rea, '60

Gazette

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Camera Club, 7:30 p.m., 212 HUB
Collegian Promotion Staff, 6:45 p.m., 216 Willard
Delta Sigma Pi, 7:30 p.m., Lambda Chi Alpha
Education Student Council, 6:30 p.m., 109 Boucke
Freshman Council, 6:30 p.m., 217 HUB
Home Economics Club, 7 p.m., Living Center
Judicial Board, 7 p.m., 214 HUB
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Wesley Foundation Communion, 5:15 p.m., Wesley Foundation
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WSGA Judicial, 5 p.m., 217 HUB

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Killing of Trout Prompts Study By University

The State Fish Commission, the State Department of Health and the University will unite to determine the cause of the recurrent killing of young trout at the Benner Spring project near State College.

William Voigt Jr., executive director of the Fish Commission, and Walter A. Lyon, chief of the Division of Sanitary Engineering, will meet with President Eric A. Walker on Thursday to determine policy and procedure for the study.

According to Walker and Voigt, the study will "encompass all the possible or potential sources of pollution in the Spring Creek drainage—human, industrial and agricultural."

Commissioner Voigt reassured sportsmen that despite the losses, the Fish Commission does not anticipate any difficulty in delivering the full complement of 2.5 million fish it has earmarked for state streams.

Walker offered the University's research facilities to the state after it was reported that 50,000 young trout had been removed from the raceway at the Benner Spring project when fish were found dying from an undetermined cause.

Getting into New England by automobile will be easier than ever this year. Both Connecticut and Massachusetts have new turnpikes, and Maine and New Hampshire have their own fast toll roads.

Little Man on Campus by Dick Bibber



"You guys better run along now, Worthal has to study for a pretty rugged 'Figure Drawing' test tomorrow."

Collegian Clan Wild Over Scan

by bob thompson

Collegian has done it again . . .

This time, your newspaper has installed a Fairchild Scan-a-Graver to make engravings for pictures used in the paper.

To some people, the process of making photo-engravings is very complicated. To others, it is quite simple.

To us, it will be easy as a breeze after all the trouble we had getting the machine installed in its place in the editorial office late last night.

"Bartlett," as one of the staff members affectionately named the machine, arrived in the office in five pieces. One of the parts was enclosed in a crate the size of a coffin, causing all sorts of rumors to spread before the truth was actually known.

One reporter supposedly even pored through the student directory trying to find a student named Bartlett who was supposed to be entombed in the box.

Once the men from the scan-a-graver company arrived, the task of putting together the contraption began.

First, there was a table needed to rest Bartlett for the next decade or so. This problem was solved in a hurry, with an old filing cabinet. The only drawback to using the cabinet was that it took five men 20 minutes to maneuver the thing into the office.

Three other men were need-

ed to lift our friend onto the 3-foot high cabinet. It was then we noticed that we were missing another rather minor part of the machine—something to hold the electronic amplifying elements.

A small table seemed to be the ideal thing, but it was a little too big. As a matter of fact, we had to cut the legs and trim the sides.

We pushed—or rather rocked—the table under the cabinet with a little bit of difficulty, until we found why it wouldn't fit. We had wedged our advisor under the table in the rush.

Reporters took the guise of mountain climbers as they entered the editor's office. They had to climb over the disarranged desks and the cartons of parts scattered in the room. They say two cub reporters entered the office shortly before dinner last night, and they haven't been heard from since.

Finally, after seemingly years of exhaustive work, the technicians closed their tool kits, and the onlookers left. Now, we thought, we could begin to make some engravings. There's only one drawback.

Because of a necessary training period, we can't use the thing until next semester, Yo, Rinny!

