

# Weather Conditions To Hinder Driving As Holiday Begins

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Occasional rain will hamper homebound students today and tonight. The Christmas recess begins at 9:05 p.m. and ends at 8 a.m. Monday, Jan. 4.

Snow may fall in the northern and western sections of the state tonight and tomorrow with possibly appreciable

accumulation in the northwestern counties. Rain will fall in the southeast tonight, but it may change to snow flurries before ending tomorrow.

Colder weather is expected today and tonight and much colder temperatures are due tomorrow.

A storm system, which is moving toward Pennsylvania, threatens to bring considerable amounts of rain and snow to all portions of the state during the next 24 to 36 hours. Cold Canadian air should cause temperatures to fall continually today and tonight resulting in sub-freezing temperatures throughout the state by tomorrow evening.

There is a slight chance that the storm system will take a more easterly path than is currently expected. Such an occurrence

**The Lions Den of the Hetzel Union Building will serve free coffee to all students going home starting 8 a.m. today. Students must supply their own container to take the coffee out.**

would bring appreciable snow to all sections of the Commonwealth tonight and tomorrow.

This afternoon's temperatures should range from the chilly middle 30's in the northern and western counties of the state to the lower 40's in the Philadelphia area. Pittsburgh will have readings in the upper 30's.

## Vacation Schedule

The Pattee Library and the Helen Eakin Eisenhower Chapel will follow a special schedule for the Christmas holidays.

Tomorrow the library will be open from 7:50 a.m. to noon; Sunday it will be closed all day; Dec. 21 and 22, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Dec. 23 to 27, closed; Dec. 28 to 31, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Jan. 1, closed; Jan. 2, 9 a.m. to noon; Jan. 3, closed.

The library will reopen on a regular schedule Monday, Jan. 4.

Chapels in the Helen Eakin Eisenhower Chapel will remain open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily through the holiday season while the program center will be open only on Dec. 19, 21, 22, 28 to 31 and Jan. 2 and 4.

Residence halls will close at 4 p.m. tomorrow. They will reopen at 1 p.m. Jan. 3.

The Hetzel Union Building will be operating under a reduced schedule from tomorrow through Jan. 2. The HUB will be open tomorrow and Sunday from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Dec. 21 and 22, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.; Dec. 23 through 27, closed; Jan. 1, closed; Jan. 2, noon to 5 p.m.

The HUB will return to a regular schedule Sunday, Jan. 3.

# Simes to Present Nittany Complaints

Nittany men will get a Christmas present after all.

Their complaints and suggestions for improved living conditions will be presented to the University before Christmas.

Frank J. Simes, dean of men, will make recommendations to Albert E. Diem, vice president for business administration.

Simes discussed possible proposals with student representatives yesterday. He met

with Barry Rein, Nittany Council president, Leonard Julius, SGA president, and Jerome Whalen, Nittany coordinator.

Some of the improvements requested for this year are: an additional telephone in each hall; repair of the heating system and radiators; new clothes bars; and an additional chest of drawers for rooms which now have only one.

Diem will consider the requests, and, if enough money is granted, they will be put into effect. He said Wednesday that so far money has only been appropriated for draining the area.

Materials have been ordered for the draining project, and it will begin as soon as they arrive.

The long range projects suggested to Simes yesterday included the possibility of four students living in three rooms. In this way two of the rooms would be used as bedrooms and one for studying.

This proposal would depend on future student enrollment.

Requests for other improvements which will not be started immediately include landscaping the grounds and painting the buildings. It was also requested that parts of the buildings be soundproofed and that the dirt roads be tarred.

After the discussion with Simes, Rein commented that he was glad that plans were being made to improve Nittany Halls.

"This shows that the University isn't blind to student opinion," he said.



**OLD TIMERS RETURNED**—(l-r), Steven Suhey, Larry Joe, Dave Barron and Fran Rogel, all of former Penn State football teams. About 500 people attended the rally at which they spoke that was held to send the team off to tomorrow's Liberty Bowl Game in Philadelphia.

## Team, Engle Given Standing Ovations

Coach Rip Engle and members of the football team received standing ovations from 800 cheering students yesterday afternoon at the send-off pep rally in Recreation Hall.

Engle, introduced by master of ceremonies Vincent Marino, received an ovation that was only exceeded when

he called the team forward and the students stood and clapped for minutes.

Bob Higgins, coach of the 1947 team that went to the Cotton Bowl, told the students: "I hope we can win this game. We're going to have a hard time but I think we can do it."

Marino introduced Steve Suhey, Larry Joe, Dave Barron and Fran Rogel—all members of the 1948 team.

Rogel, who played for the Pittsburgh Steelers until 1957, urged every student to attend the game. "It's something you'll remember a long time," he said. "I know we're going to win but you can help win the game by giving them the support they need."

Engle praised the squad and

the students for their support. He told the crowd, "I hope we bring you something to cheer about Saturday."

After the rally 200 students stood outside Rec Hall to see the buses leave for the game. The crowd shouted "Beat Alabama" and cheered when the team boarded their buses and drove away.

## Game Route

The easiest route to tomorrow's Liberty Bowl game is as follows: Take the Pennsylvania Turnpike to Valley Forge Interchange. Then follow the Schuylkill Expressway (Penna. Rt. 43) south to the approach to the Walt Whitman Bridge. Philadelphia Stadium is located at the Broad St. exit of the bridge approach. Parking facilities for approximately 20,000 cars are available near the stadium.

## Advisory Board Forms

Applications for the Sophomore Class Advisory Board are available at the Hetzel Union desk. Interested students must fill out the forms and return them to the desk by Jan. 6.

# Unidentified Student Returns ROTC Gun

The 45-calibre sub-machine gun, stolen Monday, was returned at 9 a.m. yesterday to the Army supply office by an unidentified student who claimed the whole thing was a joke.

Col. Ellis B. Richie, professor of military science, said that the University still does not know who took the gun.

When asked if the Department of Military Science will prosecute, Richie said that matters like this are usually left up to the administration and the dean of men's office. "In this case, they will handle any disciplinary action," Richie said.

The weapon, valued at \$60, had no ammunition in the magazine when stolen. Captain Anthony R. Lentini, supply officer for the Army ROTC unit, said that the gun could not be operated automatically because the extractor was removed before it was used in the Army classes.

However, Richie explained that if a person could get ammunition, a single shot could be fired.

The Federal Bureau of Investigation is still looking into the case. They were originally called

in because government property was involved.

Since the gun was also used as a teaching aid in a University class, the dean of men's office searched all residence halls Wednesday night. The gun could not be located.

Richie said that the search for the student was by no means over and will be continued.

When the weapon was returned, officials in the Supply Department found it disassembled. Lentini thought that the student might have been experimenting with it.

Richie emphasized that stealing something like this is not a joke. He said that any and all weapons at the University are potentially lethal if the person handling them does not know the rudiments of weapon safety.

## Construction Prospects Look Bright

Prospects for nearly \$10 million in new construction at the University look bright after Senate Republicans agreed to a \$620,425,000 ceiling on the General State Authority's borrowing capacity Wednesday.

The amount is only \$5.8 million less than the \$626,225,000 approved by the Democratic controlled House with Gov. David L. Lawrence's backing.

Sen. James S. Berger, Republican floor-leader, said the revised GSA bill would probably be passed today. The bill will then have to return to the House for action on the amended sections.

Final legislative action is expected tomorrow.

The Senate Rules Committee eliminated only one item from the University's construction program, a \$274,125 poultry testing building.

The major University projects outlined in the bill include:

Expansion of facilities for nuclear study and research costing \$1,272,000. This involves additional facilities at the nuclear reactor on the East Campus.

Extension and revision of utilities costing \$909,500 and entailing an additional steam boiler at the Physical Plant and more underground steam and sewer lines.

Construction of a \$2,862,000 wing to Recreation Hall.

Construction of a \$3,710,000, 4-story arts and humanities building.

## Philadelphia Alumni Plan Liberty Bowl Pep Rally

Penn State alumni in Philadelphia have invited students going to the Liberty Bowl to a pep rally tonight.

The rally will begin at 9 p.m. at the Adelphi Hotel, 13th and Chestnut Sts., Philadelphia. The Blue Band will attend.

## Hoyt Coeds Give Party

The freshman girls of Hoyt Hall gave a Christmas party to 15 underprivileged children of the State College area.

The coeds gave each child a gift. Social committee chairman, Gwen Hilburn, said, "It was a great success."

# SGA Does Not Meet Despite Petition

No SGA Assembly meeting was held last night despite a petition asking for one which was said to be signed by the majority of the assembly members.

The petition was circulated by Howard Byers (U.-Sr.) and John Brandt, alternate assemblyman.

Byers said last night that it had been taken to a few people including members of the administration and students.

However, he said he understood it was "mechanically impossible" to schedule a meeting last night.

Ross Lehman, SGA advisor, said the procedure for getting a meeting would be to approach the

SGA President, since he has the authority to call a special meeting. According to the SGA Constitution, there is nothing which provides for petitioners to call a meeting.

The petition was merely "an expression of the majority" that a meeting was desired, and nothing more, Byers said.

Donald Curry (C.-Jr.) said he thought that some of those signing the petition did so because they objected to not being notified that no meeting would be held.

An Assembly meeting had not been scheduled by the Rules Committee and the Executive Committee for last night. Two meetings a month are required by the SGA Constitution and two

have been held already this month.

Jay Hawley, Rules Committee chairman, said Wednesday that the committee felt it was constitutionally correct in not making up an agenda for a meeting last night.

"The executive felt a meeting was not necessary," he said, "and we agreed."

Hawley said the issues which the committee was considering for the agenda could be acted on more effectively after the Christmas recess.

Byers said, however, that the Nittany question and the seating arrangement for students in the new Beaver Field stadium particularly deserved attention now and that it would be "detrimental" to let them wait.