

Finals to Be Discussed

By CAROL KUNKLEMAN
 During the next few months, University educators will be discussing the possibility of scheduling special days for final examinations, Howard A. Cutler, assistant to the vice president for academic affairs, said yesterday.

"We will be looking at this topic on the basis of our past experiences with the summer term and present fall term," Cutler said, "as compared to the special period formerly scheduled under the semester plan."

Under the four term plan, initiated last summer, no special periods are set aside for final exams to be given. It is assumed, Cutler said, that the exams will be given sometime near the end

of the 10-week term during the regularly scheduled class period.

"However, under this present plan, some professors feel that there is a de-emphasis on examinations," Cutler reported. They feel the 75-minute period, instead of the two-hour exam period, decreases interest in the exam because there is not enough time for the student to correctly gather his thoughts, or for the professor to include all the information he wants to cover in the test."

Another problem being found is that of giving the same exam to a multiple-section class meeting at different times, he said.

"Besides finding it hard to find a common time to give an exam," he said, "there is also a question of trying to give a fair grade because of the different ways of instructing by

individual teachers."

Cutler said that after looking at these problems and conducting other research when this fall term is completed, "what is feasible within the rigidity of the schedule" will be decided.

He did not name any specific method that would be followed in conducting such a study.

"If a change in scheduling were decided upon, all aspects of student life would have to be taken into consideration," he said.

He cited a change in residence hall contracts to include an extra week and previously-decided commencement dates as two of the "aspects."

"This is a topic that has been debated again and again," he observed. "If we did decide on a special week this time I couldn't predict when it would actually go into effect."

Foianini to Invite Walker to Dinner

Dennis Foianini, SGA president will invite President Eric A. Walker to Thanksgiving lunch and dinner in the Pollock dining hall, he said last night.

Foianini called at Walker's home last night to deliver the invitation, but Walker was not at home. Foianini said he will deliver the message today.

Another invitation, also sponsored by the Student Government Association, will be extended to H. J. Read, chairman of the University Senate Committee on Calendar and Class Schedules, Foianini said.

Following is the text of Foianini's invitation to be delivered to Walker:

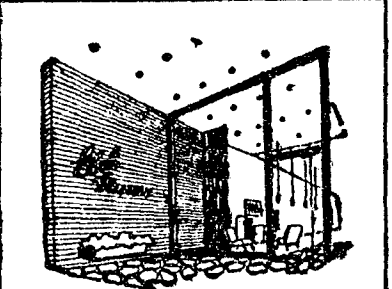
"I would like to extend to you an invitation for lunch and dinner with the students on Thanksgiving Day.

"We would like to have you among us as testimony of the University's conviction that a

compact term schedule is of greater importance than the traditional values of Thanksgiving.

"We feel your presence will provide leadership needed by the students to successfully complete the programs to which they have been committed.

"I have made the necessary arrangements with the Pollock Dining Hall and shall be pleased to act as your host at your convenience during the meal hours."



Through the Looking Glass

with Gabbi

This week probably seems like any other week to you—exams, and more exams—but in case you've forgotten, I'll refresh your memory. Thanksgiving is this Thursday! When Thanksgiving comes, you know that Christmas is almost here. The spirit of Christmas is already starting to permeate the atmosphere. If you've been in town lately, you have noticed some Christmas decorations that are already up. Also, the store windows—especially Ethel Meserve's. It's just beautiful. You just can't help but stop and notice it. But do not just look—come in and see what's behind this "looking glass." You are always welcome.

TICK, TICK, TACK!

Are you one of those who is constantly late for classes, dates, and appointments? Do you often wonder when your "boring prof" is going to have to stop rambling on, only because the class is over? Enough questions. Now for some positive statements. Ethel has the answer—beautiful Sheffield watches, only \$12.95 to \$19.95. They'll go with any type of outfit—sporty or dressy.

DRIP, DRIP, DROP!!

That's not the sound of your faucet dripping all night and keeping you from getting some "shut-eye", but it is the sound of water—but from the sky. Rain seems to be inhabiting this region lately, although it is not the Monsoon season. But I want to talk about another kind of showers—bridal showers. I'm sure you have at least one on your calendar! What to get the bride-to-be always seems to be a problem, but there's no need for this anymore. For ideas, just come into Ethel Meserve's—look around and I am positive that you will find the perfect gift. One suggestion—placemats (they are so useful). Don't like that idea—so come to Ethel's and find the shower gift you like.

Have a **HAPPY THANKSGIVING!**

ENJOY the turkey!

So long,
 Gabbi

Ethel Meserve

112 E. College Ave.

Williams Explains Rules For Petition Validation

By SANDY YAGGI
 The extension of the deadline for the SGA Assembly elections petitions will make it very difficult for the Commission to get volunteer help to check the validity of the petitions, Nancy Williams, Elections Commissions chairman, said last night.

Miss Williams explained the procedure to be used to check the validity of the petitions.

The student directory will be used in the checking. This way the name of the student can be checked off and at the same time the living area of the person signing the petitions can be checked. Spot checks will be made by telephone to further insure the validity of the signatures, Miss Williams said.

"It will require approximately one hour to process each petition," she said, "and it will probably be necessary to hire outside help to get the job done."

Petitions can be returned to the Hetzel Union desk at any time up to the Dec. 28 deadline, Miss Williams said.

At the SGA Assembly meeting on Wednesday night it was decided to extend the deadline from Nov. 16 to Dec. 28 because it was thought that the time allotted was too short for interested students to collect signatures.

The presidents of the major liv-

ing areas recently commented on the extension of the deadline for SGA elections petitions.

"I am very much in favor of the extension," Ruth Rilling, AWS president said, "and do not feel that the students were given full information concerning the petitioning procedures."

Commenting on the situation of the town independent men, Robert Fry, TIM president, said that it was necessary to extend the deadline for the men in town.

"The idea of requiring 100 people to sign a petition and allowing a student to sign only one petition is a discouragement to any man interested in running, for it is difficult to obtain the signatures from a wide spread area," Fry said.

He said that he feels since TIM is to have eight seats on Assembly that each student should be able to sign eight petitions.

George Henning, MRC president, commented on the effect on nominations of men in residence halls:

"As far as I can see, it is not going to do too much at all, for those interested already had the petitions filled out by the previous deadline."

Richard Pigossi, president, commented for IFC:

"From what I understand there was no problem in getting petitions from our area, therefore I don't believe it will affect the IFC area too much."



Miss Donna Flagg of Chi Omega

Recently we have polled a number of our sittings in an endeavor to understand their feelings on the new semester system. More than 200 were asked for their opinions and the replies, percentage wise, were as follows—20% were against it—75% were vehemently against it and the other 5% apparently came here for an education.

We are oft asked if ever we tire of photographing faces. NO, because far from boring, there is always a challenge. Sometimes it is a mental duel on the part of the photographer. His aesthetic sense demands that he be true to himself and photograph his subject as the subject is really seen. His "business" sense urges him to portray the person as he would prefer to see himself—it makes for larger sales. So to placate these dueling factions, aesthetic vs. business, we compromise by photographing our settings in both ways. In reality of course, (and without tongue in cheek) much depends on the person being worked with.

Occasionally our subject is delighted with a proof which hardly resembles him (there are times when this is logical) and passes up some others which his friends have lavished praise on. Perhaps his basis of selection was that the lump on his nose hardly showed up or maybe his bangs appeared straighter than in other proofs. Laugh, not! This man's integrity is unimpeachable. His sole desire is a fine rendering of his nose and bangs. Expression and other qualifications are secondary.

To temper selections based on such trivia, we have recently inaugurated the placing of check marks on the proofs that seem most pleasing. This, in an endeavor to show that we are as interested in your making a wise choice as you are.

ARE YOU IN NEED?

If your fraternity or sorority is planning on using our service for their composite after January and you are in need for Christmas portraits, we cordially invite you to make a reservation for a sitting in the next week or so. Not only will you have your portraits for Christmas, but your photograph will be saved for the composite as well. Best of all you won't be billed for your sitting until your organization is photographed some weeks or months ahead. When calling merely mention the name of your organization.

IT'S IN THE EYES . . .

Have you ever noticed how much more relaxed and seemingly better appearing you are in the evening? It is only natural and because of this we are scheduling evening appointments on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays.

AND BECAUSE OF . . .

Indeed, to accommodate the anticipated heavy load of pre Christmas sittings we will remain open for Thanksgiving. So, with the library closed and nothing better to do why not partake of our excellent refreshments and relax to some soft music while we portray you for posterity . . . or longer.

—bill coleman
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6 Hurt as Car Crashes Into Tree

Five current students and one former student were hurt and a seventh person escaped injury when a car driven by Donald Linder, graduate student from Yoakum, Texas, ran into a tree early Sunday morning.

State College police said Linder stopped at the corner of E. Fairmont and S. Garner for a stop sign, and then made a left turn onto S. Garner.

The turn must have been made at a high rate of speed, police said, because Linder lost control of the car. He will be charged with reckless driving, police said.

The injured persons and their injuries are: Linder, concussion; Geraldine Monola, junior in secondary education from Erie, concussion; Sandra Hoecker, sophomore in elementary and

kindergarten education from Altoona, broken arm; Nancy McCabe, sophomore in elementary and kindergarten education from Erie, concussion; Donald Detisch, sophomore in arts and letters from Erie, dislocated shoulder; and Loretta Cowan, Harrisburg, broken shoulder.

Charles Fletcher, graduate student in recreation education from Elkins, W. Va., was not hurt.

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