Don't hibernate

The pink slips are out. That's usually a shock. If you are like most students, you probably have been living day to day, trying to raise those C's to B's in the 10th week. But pink slips are a definite, omen that there will be a Winter

During the term break you are going to have more time to think about it while getting reacquainted with your family and eating turkey and whatever else you do.

This term break, relax. But don't hibernate Winter Term. Winter is follow-up time. Many things will be happening that will affect you; many things could happen that will help you.

A lot of projects have been started. A lot of promises have been made.

 Penn State appropriations are still being held up in the House-Senate conference committee. While the University pays \$5,000 interest each day on money it has borrowed to meet payrolls, Rep. Jack Seltzer stubbornly refuses to compromise.

- The University has presented a plan to centralize all faculty tenure and promotion policies under University President John W. Oswald. Jan. 1 is the proposed implementation date. This opportunistic power-grab is twopronged: axing faculty when the University budget is cut and destroying any hope of a faculty

- After thinking it over the trustee selection committee decided that the brightest and best had not applied to fill Benson Lichtig's position as the only student on the Board of Trustees. The new deadline for applicants was Wednesday; a new deadline for choosing nominees is needed.

- The "Greetings" letter in your mailbox will not be from Selective Service, but from the County Commissioners. They put you on the tax rolls because you are a resident of the county. However, if your income is under \$1,800, you can get a tax exonoration form from the borough tax collector or

- On Tuesday students helped elect a Democratic mayor and a Democratic majority on the Borough Council. In general, students supported candidates who favored using revenue sharing funds for social services, and creating a publicly-owned mass transit system, a consumer protection agency and ordinances (if not state laws) on landlordtenant relations.

All of these issues will have to be nurtured. If you go back to your studies, they may end up tabled or committeed.

 State College will soon make a decision on whether to join a mass transit system. It depends on where the money comes from and who else joins. Push it. The alternative is Fullington.

- This fall the demand for bike racks and bike paths escalated. Local officials were looking into the problem. Are they finished?

- At a Senate subcommittee

Kelly testified that housing problems exist downtown -'code violations, security deposits, needed repairs. sublease-assignment difficulties, furniture, lease units not being completed in time for tenant occupancy."

hearing, OTIS President Bruce

What will prevent Senate Bill 1079 — a bill increasing tenant rights - from being defeated by landlords and their lawyers? Your constant support.

- For weeks, the financial state of On Drugs, Inc. has become dizzyingly complicated. Winter is the time to get the full story. If OD needs the funds, it should get

- With rising prices, the need for the proposed OTIS food co-op is as evident as your empty refrigerator. The Unviersity administration is taking its time checking out every possible angle of the operation. Don't let the coop disappear inside Old Main.

- Two out of three isn't bad? The Ritenour Advisory Board has begun to meet. The Shields Advisory Board has been organized. But USG has not convinced the University that a Safety Advisory Board is needed. Try harder.

- Colloquy, now an all-year program organizer, has succeeded twice at getting speakers on the spur of the moment, once with science-fiction writers and most recently with Congressman Don Riegle. Are they ready for winter? Are you ready for Winter?

Letters to the Editor

Individually expedient

TO THE EDITOR: After reading the letter by Joan Schweinsberger in the Oct. 29 issue of The Daily Collegian, I realized I was not alone in my feelings about the USG Senate. I was the author of the bill that was introduced in the USG Senate Oct. 8 urging impeachment of a criminal from the office of the Presidency. I was there when it was killed in committee

and when it was refused debate. Some of the reasons given by members of the USG Senate for refusing to act responsibly on this issue:

"I'm a registered Republican, and I'm afraid that if this passes it might hurt the chances of Republican candidates running somewhere."

"It might rub the legislators in Harrisburg the wrong way."

"It's not our problem, none of our business:" Two weeks later, that same bill was made as inoffensive as possible, sponsored by four less than a majority and passed. Then I heard, "Lookee, we're not phony liberals after all.

It seems that the USG Senate refused to take a stand until it was individually expedient for each member to do so.

I think a major educational effort is needed to show the students at this school what a worthless, spineless, pack of apathetic people make up the overwhelming majority of that sickeningly irresponsible body of fair weather liberal apologists known as the USG Senate.

It is high time the USG Senate acted responsibly as the voice

of the student body.

After the Oct. 8 USG Senate meeting, I knew full well what was meant by the Students' Rights Party's last year's slogan "Let's kick out the country club."

This year let's get together and do it!

Kerry G. Hixenbaugh 7th-anthropology and history

Like World War I

TO THE EDITOR: The whirlwind of events presently developing in the Mideast reminds one of the events preceeding World War I whose conclusion is recalled on November 11.

There was this Serbian secret society called the Black Hand-fiercely nationalistic and terrorist. It wanted Serbia out of the Austrian empiré. So when Archduke Ferdinand, the heir to the Austrian throne, comes to Sarajeoo in Serbia on a state visit, the Black Hand shoots him dead along with his wife, Sophie, as they drive through the streets in an open car.

The German Kaiser promised to support Austria against Serbia, then promptly leaves for a holiday on his yacht-where he can't be reached. No radio in those days.

in the meantime, Austria bombs the city of Belgrade in Serbia. This angers the Russians who, as Slavs, have a natural affinity with the Slavs of Serbia. The Russian czar orders mobilization of the Russian army.

While all this is going on, the French prime minister returns home from Russia where he has been visiting the czar to negotiate a loan. As an ally of Russia, France declares war on

Germany. Germany, thinking to knock France out in a couple of weeks, then turns its army against Russia (Hitler tried the same tactics

25 years later), crosses the border into neutral Belgium. Now, England has guaranteed Belgium's neutrality, so Great Britain declares war on Germany. As the British Empire includes Canada, Australia, Africa, India, etc., suddenly most of the world is involved in a war triggered by a group of Serbian

The parallel to recent tragic events in the Mideast is obvious-but with one difference. The finger on the button in Washington is matched by the finger on the button in Moscow. In due respect to Dr. Strangelove, World War III could still be

> J. D. McAulay Professor of education

En garde

started by an accident.

TO THE EDITOR: In this space on October 23 I was criticized by Professor Richard L. Frautschi, Chairman of the French Department, for a statement I made to a Daily Collegian reporter that the present system of language requirements is not beneficial to B.A. students and that it most often accomplishes only a lowering of the student's grade point

However I strongly object to the language requirement as it is presently constituted which coerces all B.A. students into completing the 12-credit level of a language. Most students and language instructors, I think, would agree that students not voluntarily taking a series of language courses do not learn the language. The valid objectives for exposure to a foreign language, such as examining another culture and gaining an increased understanding of the English language, could be better achieved with a more flexible approach.

I tallied some grade averages on 165 randomly chosen transcripts of non-language majors who graduated from the Liberal Arts College in Spring, 1973. Of them, 63 per cent had foreign language grades below their cumulative grade point average. The average student's foreign language grades was one third of a full grade point lower than his cumulative average. I must stand by my statement.

John Casciotti, president Liberal Arts Student Council

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Reorganizing the University

By JOHN A. JOHNSON 7th-psychology and biology

Is the Pennsylvania State University actually an institute for higher learning? After studying this question for over two years. I have come to the conclusion that the potential for higher learning is there, but right now the University is a mess. This university is the most mixed-up hodgepodge of philosophies, goals, purposes and lifestyles I have ever seen.

According to the University Bulletin, the purpose of the resident education

Collegian forum

program is "to guide each undergraduate student toward achieving a mature and well-balanced personality." However, the prime purpose of the University is stated as serving "the interests of the Commonwealth and the nation."

Perhaps it is my fault for selecting a state university, but when I entered servitude. I would have attended a training school if I wanted to do that. I renamed the College of Arts, Liberal Arts

because I love learning.

My idea of a university as an institute for higher learning is not a factory for turning out useful citizens. If one is serious about learning and learns for learning's sake at a quality university, he will become a useful citizen. In fact, he will become a better citizen than the student who is merely after a degree and a job, for he will have learned the true meaning of citizenship.

That's assuming he attends a quality university, of course.

If I had the opportunity to change the Pennsylvania State University into a quality institute for higher learning, I would have to make some drastic changes. Understand that this is only an idealization, because things like state money, power politics and the like wouldn't allow for it, but here goes.

The first step is to remove six extraneous colleges and merge the other four into one. The Colleges of Arts and Architecture. Earth and Mineral school I never intended to sell my soul to Sciences, the Liberal Arts, and Science would be made one college and be

came here with the intention to learn and Sciences. The College would award one degree, a Bachelor of Arts and Sciences degree.

> A student who understands the philosophy of the new university would naturally choose courses in all areas of the arts, humanities and sciences, for he is learning for learning's sake. The inevitable result is a "mature and well-balanced personality." Of course there would be no required courses; they are all equally important and relevant. Perhaps it might take a few extra years to master all these areas of study, but that doesn't matter. Learning is fun, isn't it?

Four colleges were thrown out because they are more career-oriented than learning-oriented. They are the Colleges of Agriculture, Business Administration, Education, and Engineering. I don't like to be mean, but when's the last time you saw a business administration student really getting involved in his QBA homework because he loved QBA for its own sake? All of these colleges can go off somewhere

The two other colleges are enigmas to me. I know that quite a few people in

human development don't know what's going on either, especially after they graduate. Perhaps they should join up with the recreation and parks people and the sociology department (I'm kicking them out of liberal arts) and form an institute for social improvement.

I guess the other phys. ed. majors could join the College of Education if they want to teach, or form a special athletic school, if they're using the college as a front for their intention of becoming professional athletes. My new university would have an intramural plan in which everyone would participate, but no nationally-ranked football team, I'm

In closing, I would like to remark that I did not mean to belittle any part of the now-existing University. I think that these factions which I would exclude are valid in their-bwn right, but don't belong in my university. I know it's much more convenient the way it is now, but convenience should never interfere with progress toward the ideal.

Oh yeah, my new university sponsors only basic scientific research, faculty members. Longalive youthful idealism.

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SPECIAL EVENTS

Friday-Saturday, Nov. 9-10 - University Theatre, "One Flew Over the Cockoo's Nest," 8 p.m., The Playhouse.

Friday, Nov. 9 - Five O'Clock Theatre, "Silverstein & Co.," 7:20 p.m., Pavillion

Friday, Nov. 9 - Sports: Soccer, vs. Temple, 7 p.m.

Friday, Nov. 9 - Commonsplace Coffeehouse, 8 p.m. Room 102 Kern.

Friday, Nov. 9 - Free-U social event, 7:30 p.m., HUB ballroon.

Saturday, Nov. 10 — PSU Symphony Orchestra, 8 p.m., Schwab. Saturday, Nov. 10 — Sports: Football, vs. North Carolina State, 1:30 p.m.; Rugby, vs. Chesapeake, 2 p.m.

Sunday, Nov. 11 - Penn State Glee Club, 3 p.m., Music Bldg. recital hall. Sunday, Nov. 11 - Chapel Service, 11 a.m., Eisenhower Chapel. Dr. Richard Jungkuntz, Provost, Pacific Lutheran University, Tacoma, Washington. Sunday, Nov. 11 — Black Christian Fellowship worship service, 11 a.m., Black Cultural Center.

Sunday, Nov. 11 — Road Rally, sponsored by Acacia Fraternity, starting at 1 p.m. from 234 Locust Lane, for benefit of On Drugs. Registration fee \$5; final applications Friday, Nov. 9.

SEMINARS

Friday, Nov. 9 — Chemical Engineering, 9:35 a.m., Room 101 Althouse. Dr. Douglas J. Wilde, Stanford University, on "Optimization, Fluidized Reactors, and

Friday, Nov. 9 - Statistics, 4 p.m., Room 73 Willard. Robert Clickner, Temple University, on "Excessive Deviations and Efficiency."

FILMS

Friday-Saturday, Nov. 9-10 — Student SF Films, 7 and 9 p.m., HUB assembly room. Friday-Sunday, Nov. 9-10 - North Halls Films, 7 and 9:30 p.m., Room 102 Forum. "A Man Called Horse.'

Friday-Sunday, Nov. 9-11 — Pollock Films, Friday and Saturday 7 and 11 p.m., PUB Rec Room; Sunday, 1:30 and 8 p.m., Forum. "Gone with the Wind."
Friday-Sunday, Nov. 9-11 — South Halls Films, 7:30 and 9:30 p.m., Redifer Room

Friday-Sunday, Nov. 9-11 - West Halls Films, 7:30 and 10 p.m., Waring Lounge. "Five Easy Pieces."

INTEREST GROUPS

Badminton Club, Fridays, 6:15 p.m., Rec Hall. Interlandia Folk Dancers, Sundays, 7:30 p.m., HUB ballroom.

LECTURES

Saturday, Nov. 10 - Dr. Linus Pauling, sponsored by University Committee on International Programs, on "Vitamins and International Health," 8:30 p.m.,