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Members of the current Daily Collegian staff throw newspapers on the steps of Carnegie Building, headquarters of The Daily Collegian, to commemorate the paper's 100th anniversary as Penn State's student newspaper. The paper started in 1887 as *The Free Lance* and became the *Collegian* in 1904.

Collegian celebrates 100 years

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Protests sweep campus over the University's investments in companies with ties to South Africa, with students challenging the administration's priority of "fiduciary responsibility."
Students stage a sit-in and pass out leaflets objecting to the arrival of a top-level government official and his policies.
Friends of Penn State are shocked when the Commonwealth appropriates only one-fifth of its expected state funding, a sum far below those allotted in other states for university funding.
Penn State students are upset because State College residents want to take away their beer and ban drinking from the community.

Were these *Collegian* stories from the 1986-87 school year? No, they appeared in 1978, 1969, 1923 and 1935, respectively.

This month, *The Daily Collegian* celebrates its 100th anniversary as a forum for student opinion and news in the Penn State community. Former

Collegian staffers will return to Happy Valley to remember old times and look ahead to the issues and accomplishments to come.

A source of continual news in the past decade, the divestment movement on campus was first sparked in 1978 by the divestment of \$39 million in South African stocks at Hampshire College in Amherst, Mass., after students occupied its administration building.

The top-level government official being protested wasn't Donald Regan, but then-Army Chief of Staff Gen. William Westmoreland. About 75 members of Students for a Democratic Society objected to Westmoreland's presence at the Penn State-Army game, calling him a "mass murderer" and charging the University with "sympathizing with the military" for its part in ROTC training and Navy research.

In 1923, the news that Penn State was to receive less than one-fifth of the \$10 million it requested "came as a great surprise [sic] and shock to the campus, alumni and friends of the college," according to an article in *The Penn State Collegian*.

Complaints from College President John M.

Thomas centered around the need for a larger faculty, the deteriorating condition of the physical plant and the "generous state support" given to other schools such as the University of Wisconsin and the University of Michigan.

Today, the Penn State Caucus, made up of legislators with ties to the University, has been petitioning Harrisburg for "catch-up" funding to bring state appropriations in line with those of other state universities across the country.

Another recurring issue, alcohol, came to a head in 1935 when the Women's Christian Temperance Union asked for the removal of beer, saying that "the people of State College owe it to the state of Pennsylvania to see that the boys and girls have a safe place to go to school."

Whether or not beer sales should be allowed in State College came up for a vote that November.

The *Collegian* was a fierce supporter of legalized beer in the 1930s, even though its predecessor, *The Free Lance*, had called for Prohibition in 1887. *The Lance* claimed that the action would "protect the boys and youth of our land from being victimized by the gay allurements of

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Engineers upset despite meeting

By CHRISTINE NICHOLAS
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Sophomore engineers vented frustration yesterday after a meeting with a University administrator, saying officials will not budge to help them get the majors they lost because of early evaluation.

The students expected to have a full four semesters to earn the grades required for entrance into their engineering majors, but College of Engineering officials evaluated them midway through the fourth semester.

Seven students and three Undergraduate Student Government officers met for more than an hour yesterday with Carol Cartwright, dean for undergraduate studies and associate provost, hoping she would revoke the policy change that allowed their early evaluation.

Michele Burnat (sophomore-engineering) initiated the meeting last week.

Sophomore engineering students at the meeting — including Mike A. Miller, John Hricko, and Burnat — were disappointed with Cartwright's response that administrators are hearing students' complaints and are doing all they can, and that students should work in the meantime to improve their grades for reevaluation at the end of the semester.

Prospective engineers who didn't get their majors may be reconsidered for any spots that arise in their desired majors.

"To a student who is in limbo, that's not all that satisfying," Miller said.

At the end of the meeting, Burnat — whose grade-point average missed the cut-off for mechanical engineering by 0.01 point — handed Cartwright a petition bearing more than 150 student signatures.

The petition stated that the University's recent evaluation policy "greatly hinders our educational pursuits and violates our right to participate in the implementation of academic policy."

Burnat said Cartwright accepted the petition, but did not say anything.

Both Joe Scoboria, president of the USG senate, and Melissa Lutzko, president of USG's academic assembly, said after the meeting that USG will help engineering students. They will work toward clearer communication in the future and the possible introduction of legislation in the ac-

ademic assembly to provide a short-term solution for sophomores who currently have not gotten their majors.

Also, Scoboria and Lutzko agreed that the problem did not arise from the University's enrollment control policy, but from the lack of communication about its interpretation.

At the meeting, Cartwright discussed the need for enrollment controls in the College of Engineering. But the three students said Cartwright told them facts they already knew when they were expecting "a meeting of specifics."

She also addressed the options engineering students have if they do not get their first choice major. Some colleges such as Earth and Mineral Science offer majors compatible to a career in engineering, and some engineering majors offer students the same range or job possibilities, Cartwright explained.

Burnat, however, said if she does not get her major, she will seriously consider dropping out of Penn State, working for a year, and going to another university to get the degree she wants. Other students have said they would follow her lead.

Cartwright also suggested that the students do not talk to Carl Wolgemuth, dean of the College of Engineering, until she could brief him on the meeting.

USG officers and the engineering students said they will continue pursuing the issue with administrators and Wolgemuth.

Scoboria said he will call them after the April 15 deadline for engineering students to accept or reject the University's offer of an engineering major. He said he hopes administrators will have an idea then about how much space will be left for students on the reconsideration list.

However, Cartwright said "I can't begin to speculate on that."

Also, the students plan in the next few days to unify all unsatisfied sophomore engineers rather than working in small groups.

"A lot of people think the University is too big and we're not going to get anything accomplished. You can push one student away, but you can't push 800 students away," Burnat said.

Miller said, "I wonder what else you can do at this point other than legal action. We just have to hope that [Cartwright] works for us."

"I'm not giving up yet," he added.

Casey unsure on trustee term length

By CHRISTINE NICHOLAS
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As three candidates to replace student trustee Mary Greeley-Beahm approach the final stages of their evaluation, a spokesman for Gov. Robert P. Casey said it is too soon to know if the governor will specify the length of the new student's term.

Controversy about the length of Greeley-Beahm's term on the University Board of Trustees peaked last year when former Gov. Richard Thornburgh granted her an eight-month term instead of the three year term she had expected.

As a result, Greeley-Beahm requested at the November trustees' meeting that the board support making a three-year student seat a permanent part of the board in the future. Also, the University Student Executive Council wrote Gov. Robert P. Casey, urging him to continue the 16-year tradition of a student seat.

However, the board of trustees has not addressed the issue since the meeting, board president Obie Snider said yesterday.

"It's out of our hands. It's a government appointment," he said.

Tim Potts, Casey's spokesman, said the governor has not addressed the length of the term but will do so soon.

Last year, Greeley-Beahm thought she was replacing former student trustee Patricia Walsh for a full three-year term. Instead, the three-year seat went to Trustee William Schreyer, chairman and chief executive officer of Merrill Lynch and chairman of the Campaign for Penn State.

After the trustees' March meeting, Greeley-Beahm said a three-year term is essential for a student trustee to meet and become comfortable with the more than 30 trustees, and added that a year of bimonthly meetings

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Tutu implores S. Africans to defy new laws

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CAPE TOWN, South Africa — Archbishop Desmond Tutu and other clergymen urged people at a special prayer service yesterday to defy new limits on speech and assembly. The U.S. ambassador was among 700 people in the congregation.

Ambassador Edward Perkins issued a statement saying: "It is sad that a government which claims to uphold the values of human dignity, and which portrays itself as secure and strong, should be so intimidated by the peaceful protestations of its citizens that it declares those protestations to be illegal."

Perkins' attendance and his statement represented one of his most vivid gestures since he became

the first black American ambassador to South Africa last November.

The ambassadors of Canada, Sweden and Austria also attended the ecumenical service dedicated to people detained without charge under a nationwide state of emergency the white government imposed 10 months ago.

Regulations issued Saturday by Police Commissioner Johan Coetzee make it a crime to call for release of detainees in writing or by word or action. Gatherings in support of detainees also are banned. Penalties for breaking the rules range up to a fine of 20,000 rand (\$10,000) or 10 years in prison.

Tutu, the black prelate who is Anglican archbishop of southern Africa, organized the service. He was joined at St. George's Cathedral by Jewish,

Dutch Reformed and Roman Catholic clergymen in defying the regulations.

Although Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok said prayer services at churches were not prohibited, Tutu and his colleagues openly violated a section of the rules making it a crime to urge other people to support detainees.

Tutu said he would make similar statements inside or outside church.

"I will continue to urge, as I do, the authorities to release all detainees or bring them to court, and I hope you support me in such a call," he said, apparently leaving himself open to incitement charges.

Members of the St. George's congregation, sitting on wooden chairs and on the floor among Palm Sunday branches in the stone cathedral,

shouted "Yes!" in response and applauded.

Coetzee, the police commissioner, issued a statement Monday saying the regulations did not bar prayers for detainees at "bonafide religious gatherings" or prohibit political candidates from addressing the detention issue in speeches.

"The notice prohibits the making of a statement in which members of the public are incited to participate in a campaign which is aimed at the release of security detainees," it said.

The Rev. Allan Boesak, a mixed-race minister who heads the World Alliance of Reformed Churches, told the crowd: "My plea today, quite openly Mr. Minister (Vlok) and quite openly Mr. President (P.W. Botha) ... is for South Africa's people to rise up and revolt against this ban."



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Today, partly sunny and warm, high of 73. Tonight fair, low 40. Wednesday increasing cloudiness with a chance of a few afternoon showers. High 68.Ross Dickman