

TABLE TALK

by DAVE KINZER

There continues in this week's table talk a stubborn grumbling about over-work, about lack of time to do curricular activity well. Gibbs' A.U.C. is trying to do something about it. Shying away from purely extra-curricular side, they attacked curricular work—to be specific, John Hulburt's Playshop.

Nothing much has happened yet. Hulburt and the A.U.C. are in an amusing sort of deadlock—both having conducted "unbiased" investigations of the Playshop and neither having results anything to compare with the other.

These drama courses Gibbs is attacking are something which, because they call for little enough concentration, the student enjoys. Even if these courses do take too much time, the student doesn't object very aggressively, because a release of pressure in drama would mean that he would have more time for his Calculus, Greek, or Economics, and these call for a much more painful concentration.

An attack on an activity, curricular or extra curricular, is all the more difficult when the students enjoy that activity. The thing is, the A.U.C. is working on assumption that Allegheny students want to do their schoolwork, and, for too many of us, that is a false assumption. That's why Gibbs has such a tough job on his hands.

Too many students have attacked Gibbs, because they think that it is none of the A.U.C.'s business if the students want to let their schoolwork suffer because of the Playshop. After all, they say, one of the best features of this college is its increasing freedom. They tell us that we have a right to choose for ourselves. If we think we can get more out of our fraternity, our athletics, our girl, and our Playshop than we can from our books, we have a right to our opinion (just as long as we get good enough grades to stay in school). They contend that no one can be dogmatic about the value the intellectual holds for particular people, because four years is such a light touch anyway.

There is a lot of virtue to this freedom business, but its practical results certainly don't knock you over. Just take a careful look around you. Allegheny's "scholars" are hitting pretty close to an absolute minimum of schoolwork. A lot of them are relapsing into "good time Charlies". So great is our irresponsibility now, that when we go to class we don't even look sheepish when we announce our unpreparedness. A reliable measuring rod for this trend is faculty reaction—and the volume of their exasperated complaint is rather decisive. So many of us have lost our zest (if we ever had it) for the intellectual. Our enthusiasm for anything but beer and basketball is at a low ebb, and many of us have a shallow, lazy cynicism

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POLL FINDS LIBRARY NOT GETTING BIG STUDENT USE

ONLY 42% OF COLLEGE USE LIBRARY REGULARLY IS REVEALED; MOST USED FOR CLASS ASSIGNMENTS; THINK LIBRARY AT FAULT.

The results of the latest student poll conducted by the Allegheny Institute of Opinion in last Thursday's chapel, show that the Reis Library is not being used to its fullest extent by Allegheny students. Of the 376 students who took part in the poll, only 50 per cent use the library occasionally and only 42 per cent use it regularly. The faculty did not participate in the poll.

The evidence points to the conclusion that the majority of Allegheny students utilize the library only when they must. The poll demonstrates that most students make use of the library for completing class assignments only. On the question of the uses made of the library by students, results show that 74 per cent use the library primarily for class assignments and only 26 per cent use it for newspaper reading, recreational book reading, and periodical reading.

Students gave the following as the factors preventing them from using the library; 261 prefer to study in their rooms, 148 say their class assignments don't require use of the library, 67 say that extra-curricular activities interfere, 60 believe the library is too noisy, 47 think lighting facilities are inadequate, 18 gave the lack of new books as their chief complaint, 12 use their own libraries, and 7 make use of public libraries. Only 24 per cent believe that extra-curricular activities interfere with their using the library as much as they would like.

TEN STUDENTS ARE HONORED BY 'WHO'S WHO'

Senior, Junior Campus Leaders Sketches Included in Index of American Students.

Ten local students, four of them women, have been invited to submit biographical data and brief accounts of their collegiate careers to the 1941 edition of *Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities*, according to information released by Dean John Richie Schultz last night.

Who's Who, impartial and nonpartisan index to standout collegians throughout the country, has extended invitations to seven seniors and three juniors—Marjorie Wible, Robert Oberlin, Georgia Seitz, Richard Taylor, Howard Gibbs, David Robertson, and William Faloan, all of the class of 1941; and Nancy Martin, Betty Pidgeon, and Robert Miller, of the class of 1942.

Miss Wible, Kappa Alpha Theta, is president of the A.W.S., a member of A.U.C., and vice-president of her social fraternity. Miss Seitz, Kappa Kappa Gamma, is secretary of A.U.C. and is vice-president of A.W.S.

Miss Pidgeon is the person behind renewed independent activity, is head of the Women's Co-op, and is a well-known woman athlete. Miss Martin, Kappa Alpha Theta, and winner of the recent Women's Lxtemporaneous Speaking contest, is a member of A.U.C. and is in Speakers' Bureau.

Oberlin, Phi Delta Theta, is ex-president of the Christian council, a debater, and member of Phi Beta Kappa. Taylor, Phi Gamma Delta, heads the M.U.C., managed the soccer team, and formerly was sports editor of *The Campus*.

Gibbs is president of A.U.C. and editor of *The Campus*. Robertson, Phi Delta Theta, is president of the senior class, a member of A.U.C., and president of his social fraternity.

Miller, Phi Gamma Delta, is a basketball manager and is editor of the 1941 *Kaldron*. Faloan, Phi Delta Theta, is a member of Phi Beta Phi, a standout basketball player, and president of Block A club.

The results of the poll show very plainly that only a small percentage of the students do any recreational reading in the college library. 36 per cent of the students polled never use the library for this purpose, and only 8 per cent made regular use of the library to do reading that is not required for their classes.

Results show that the three reading rooms are not employed as much as possible. The majority of the student body are occasional users of these rooms, but a good many don't use them at all. The Craig room is used least; only 5 per cent are regular users and 30 per cent of the students never use this room. More use is made of the Periodical room than the Craig room; 23 per cent use this room regularly and 12 per cent never use it. The figures show that the Craig room is used mostly by women students and the Periodical room is used mainly by men; evidently the men follow their newspapers more closely than the women.

The General Reading room is put to use more than any of the other library rooms. 34 per cent of the students use it regularly, 60 per cent use it occasionally, and only 6 per cent never use it.

None of the classes were conspicuously partisan on any of the questions. The total vote throughout the school by classes and sexes was fairly uniform.

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A Guide to Peace



Allegheny was not much imbued with the Christmas spirit up until Sunday night. Everyone was too busy resting up from fall formals and hour exams, and thinking about term papers and book reviews due before vacation.

Sunday's newspapers did very little to cheer us up; America's papers blazoned headlines proclaiming:

U. S. MOBILIZES RESERVE CORPS

Big English Port in Ruins

COMMUNITY FUND FAILS QUOTA

Midwest to be Great Arsenal

RED ACTIVITY REVEALED HERE

Was this then "Peace on Earth"—1940 version?

Then we went to the Singers' concert. . . .

You remember the setting—a chapel transformed into stately simplicity, with the chancel almost hidden by evergreens. They turned out the lights, you remember, and the Cwens lighted the candles lining the aisles.

Then from the balcony came the first strains of "Jehova, I Would Sing Thy Praises" proclaiming the birth of the "Prince of Peace."

In the middle of the program they snuffed out all the candles and Mr. Crawford gave a beautiful reading of the Christmas story; slowly the chancel lighted into a soft blue. We could see Luvy and the Singers for the first time.

We forget about the clacking radiators; we even forgot to cough and move around. We lost ourselves so completely under the spell of the Singers that we stopped whispering to our neighbors, even to comment on the selections.

No one had to be a music critic to be aware of the impressiveness of the Singers' rendition of "Silent Night" . . . nor the effect on the audience when it joined in the traditional singing at the close of the program.

Maybe this, then, was the "Peace on Earth," 1940 version.

Whatever may be the justice in decrying youth's lack of idealism, we cannot help but think that the Singers' concert Sunday night was a reminder to all that the hope for "Peace on Earth" is far from dormant. As long as we can still sit spellbound at the singing of Christmas music . . . as long as we are free to worship at such a concert . . . as long as education provides an opportunity to sing in such programs . . . then the future is not as black as we might think.

We came out of the Singers' concert with a lot more hope for 1941—and a much higher degree of sincerity and spirit in our wish to you for a

Merry Christmas.

COLLEGE CALENDAR-FIRST SEMESTER

Jan. 6, Mon.—Listening Hour—Ora- tory—7:00-8:00 p. m.	Alpha Xi Delta Fall Formal Beta Kappa Fall Formal
Jan. 7, Tues.—Basketball—Thiel at Meadville	Jan. 13, Mon.—Listening Hour—Ora- tory—7:00-8:00 p. m.
Jan. 9, Thurs.—Chapel: Dr. Marriott. Songs.	A.U.W. Meeting, Cochran, 8:00 p. m.
Playshop—One-Act plays.	Jan. 14, Tues.—Basketball—Grove City at Meadville
Jan. 10, Fri.—Basketball—Buffalo State at Buffalo	Chapel: Dr. Tongue, piano.
Graduate Record Examinations.	Jan. 15, Wed.—Philo-Franklin Union: "Battle of the Sexes."
Jan. 11, Sat.—Basketball—U. of Rochester at Rochester	Jan. 16, Thurs.—Chapel: Dr. Darling.
Graduate Record Examinations.	Jan. 18, Sat.—Basketball—Hiram at Hiram
Dance Program, Playshop—8:00- 4:00 p. m.	Jan. 21, Tues.—First Semester Exams

ENTIRE COLLEGE REPRESENTED IN GRIDIRON FORUM

Faloan Urges School Support; Starts at 7:30 in Arter; Irvin is Chairman.

"In order to make it possible for more people to attend the football forum tonight, the time has been changed to 7:30, was the announcement Bill Faloan, block A president, made. He also said, 'The athletic groups of the school are very desirous of having any at all interested in the football situation turn out, since this is a means of checking the opinion of the entire school.'"

The subject of the discussion, "Allegheny's football program and what can be done about it," will be first discussed by a panel group consisting of representatives of every form of college life. President William Tolley heads the group in representing the administration; Coach H. P. Way, the athletic department; Mr. L. J. Long, the faculty and the schools athletic board; Mr. Karl K. Smock, local alumnus; Richard Miller, '41, Allegheny Undergraduate council; Clark Saylor, '40, and Ralph Marasco, '42, the football team; and Marjorie Wible, '41, the Associated Women Students.

After these speeches, the subject will be thrown open to the audience, who will be able to question any member of the board, or bring up any point he might feel has been overlooked. Mr. Charles Irvin, of the speech department, will act as chairman of the affair, which is being sponsored by the Philo-Franklin Union.

The need for the discussion arose recently when two editorials deploring the present situation and suggesting various reforms appeared both in the Campus and the local Meadville paper. At a later date a poll was conducted by the Campus, the results of which were not very conclusive in that they did not present any suggestions for a change. However, several solutions have been offered, among them, subsidization of athletics, freshmen participation in inter-collegiate contests, and even the banning of inter-collegiate athletics entirely.

SEXES TO CLASH AFTER VACATION

BULLETIN

The question to be debated at the "Battle of the Sexes" as decided in a chapel poll yesterday is "Resolved, that all dating at Allegheny should be on a "dutch treat" basis.

The annual Battle of the Sexes will take place in the Playshop on January 15 at 8 p. m. This battle, sponsored by the Philo-Franklin union, will be a humorous debate between Allegheny men and women. The topic for debate will be chosen by a poll of the student body.

Such sterling debaters as James Gettemy, '41, James Aiken, '42, and Arthur Diskin, '42, will represent the males while the fairer sex will be upheld by Jean Chamberlain, '42, Janet Anne Smith, '43, Helen Hilker, '41. According to the speech department, this Allegheny version of the Crummit and Sanderson rivalry has always been of high entertainment value and this year should be no exception.

PRE-REGISTERING STARTS ON JAN. 6

Pre-registration for the second semester is scheduled for January 6-15 inclusive, according to announcement made yesterday by Registrar Hurst R. Anderson.

During this period all students, with the exception of freshmen, will consult with advisors and fill out pre-registration blanks. Freshmen are already registered for the second semester.

It was added that pre-registration blanks are being sent directly to the advisors.

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LET'S SPEAK OUR PIECE

Tonight's football forum is no attempt on the part of the faculty or administration to explain a disastrous football season.

This forum is the result of a request by the student government of the college. As such, it merits the support of all Alleghenians.

Although admittedly scheduled for a time when most students don't feel like attending such affairs, the forum does plan to meet early, 7:30, and to be as brief as possible. It must be pointed out that great pains have been taken to insure a good discussion; just witness the make-up of the personnel of the panel.

Above everything else, this forum must be a frank discussion of all phases of Allegheny's football program.

If the coaching staff's at fault, let's say so.

If the students' support is at fault, let's say so.

If the administration's policy is at fault, let's say so.

If it's a combination, let's say so.

Beating around the bush at this forum tonight will be a reflection on the freedom of expression at Allegheny, not to mention a reflection on our sincerity of purpose.

IN PASSING

Phi Beta Phi's well prepared open house last week was an excellent example of the use that could be made of some of our honorary organizations and clubs on the hill.

A good many Alleghenians feel that there is a decided lack of understanding between the various phases of the Allegheny program. Such affairs as the open house provide an opportunity for a little better feeling between organizations, as well as any educational benefits which might ensue.

The way having been shown—let's play follow the leader.

POTPOURRI . . .

This is the last issue of *The Campus* until January 16. Extra copies of today's issues are available for students to take home.

Collegiate Digest is not issued this week.

Student writers are reminded that the deadline for the Greek Contest sponsored by the Allegheny Literary magazine has been extended to January 6, 1941.

Entrants should make use of Christmas vacation to complete their essays, to be turned in to the Lit box before 3:00 p. m. on the above date.

From Friday, Dec. 20, to Jan. 6, the Reis Library will be open to the public daily from 1 to 5 p. m. and from 9 to 12 a. m. on Saturdays. The library will be closed on holidays, all day Sunday and evenings.

All library books are to be re-

turned to the library by Wednesday, December 18. Books may be taken out for the Christmas vacation the next day, but they must all be returned by January 6.

Reserve books may also be taken out, but they must be returned to the reserve desk by 9 a. m., January 6.

Reserves may be put on any of these books from December 11 on.

All those who expect to register for aviation the second term should see Mr. Thomas by noon tomorrow.

Dorothy Roland, '43, left school this week to undergo an appendectomy. She is registered at City hospital. Miss Roland is a resident of Meadville and a member of Alpha Gamma Delta.

Bruce Campbell, '42, was released from Hanna house, Cleveland, last Monday after an illness caused by an infected wisdom tooth.

DEFENSE TRAINING BUREAU NOW HERE

Establishment of a Meadville headquarters at the registrar's office for local administration of the United States Engineering Defense Training program was announced this week.

Men interested in preparing themselves for vacancies opened in technical fields by industrial expansion will be offered free enrollment in special courses. The local phase of the federal program is under the administration

of the college and the Pennsylvania State College Extension service. Allegheny will offer a course in engineering drafting. Twelve other part-time evening courses on technical subjects will be given through the extension service.

A high school education or its equivalent is required for admittance to the courses.

Registration will be held January 8 and 9 in Bentley hall, and classes will start on January 13.

No college credit is given for the courses.

REVISED EXAMINATION SCHEDULE

Report conflicts to Aileen Dain in Examinations Office in Bentley Hall. Examinations are held at 9:00 a. m. and 2:00 p. m.

January 21
A. M.
Sociology 1
Speech 1
P. M.

Chemistry 3
Chemistry 7
Economics 9
English 5
French 10
Geology 6
Mathematics 2E
Political Science 4
Religion 2A

January 22
A. M.
Biology 2
Chemistry 6
Education 10
French 1A
French 2B
French 3
Music 6
Physics 1
Spanish 6
P. M.

Economics 6
Social Science

January 23
A. M.
History 7
Hygiene
Secretarial Studies 2
P. M.

Astronomy 1
Drama 7
Economics 15
Secretarial Studies 1

January 24
A. M.
Education 5
English 1
English 2
Secretarial Studies 4
P. M.

Biology 1
French 1B
History 3
Mathematics 1
Mathematics 2

January 25
A. M.
French 2A
German 1A
German 2A
Spanish 1
P. M.

Religion 1
January 27
A. M.

Art 4
Chemistry 1
Comparative Literature 1
Economics 3
Economics 7
English 15
French 6
Geology 1
History 4
Latin 4
Philosophy 2
Physics 5
Spanish 3
P. M.

Economics 1
Latin 2
Mathematics 1E
Spanish 5

January 28
A. M.
History 1
Mathematics 4
Music 2
Philosophy 4
P. M.

Chemistry 2
English 8
French 7
Greek 1
Mathematics 1A
Political Science 9
Physics 2
Religion 6
Spanish 2

January 29
A. M.
Art 1
Biology 6
Biology 8
Drama 1
Economics 12
English 11
German 1Sc
Mathematics 3
Music 1
Political Science 3
P. M.

Art 2
Biological Science
Chemistry 4
Chemistry 5
French 4A
German 5
Physical Science
Sociology 3

January 30
A. M.
Classics 3
Drama 2
German 3
Psychology 4
Secretarial Studies 3

Letters to the Editor

To: Mr. Howard Gibbs,
Editor *The Campus*
My dear Mr. Gibbs:

I have just read your editorial on the Playshop. I might add that most of your statements and the conclusions that you have drawn from them are quite false.

First of all you have said that the drama students are the goats of the Playshop. In view of the fact that these students are very much interested in dramatic work, is it so unreasonable to expect them to be the nucleus of the Playshop? I have not heard any complaints from your column concerning the long hours spent by the Biology students and the Chemistry students in the laboratories. The Playshop is the laboratory of the drama students in which they test and prove for themselves those things which are taught in their classes. It might be interesting sometime to compare the number of hours spent by the drama student in the Playshop, to the number of hours spent by the chemistry or biology students in the laboratory.

As for the other students in the Playshop, the "independents" as it were, it is quite evident that they are there because they want to be. There is no system of press gangs or conscription employed by the Playshop to gain its members. Each "independent" now in the Playshop had to make a personal application in which he expressed his desire and willingness to work in whatever function given to him.

Any present member of the Playshop is at liberty to drop that activity at any time with the knowledge that he will not here after be labeled a bete noir by Mr. Hulburt. My dear Mr. Gibbs, you have painted a picture of the unobtrusive Mr. Hulbert in the robes of a Caesar, with the whip of Legree rampant. As one attending a liberal college such as this one is, you should know that no professor here dares to assume even a petty dictatorship over any of his students.

As for bringing the faculty into the debate on the Playshop "problem," I might ask since when have we not been able to settle our own affairs? If it comes to the point where our faculty can tell us what activity we may or may not be in, I can foresee the end of freedom of student activity at Allegheny.

With sorrow,
Thespian.

P.S. How about an editorial next week on the vile Singers' problem, or the putrescent laboratory question?

P.P.S. Would you excuse my spelling and extremely poor typing? My classwork takes up so much time that I haven't been able to concentrate on it.

Meadville, Pa.,
Dec. 9, 1940.

Mr. Howard Gibbs,
Editor, *the Campus*,
Dear sir:

In the last issue of the *Gay Gator*, under the section headed "Alley Gags," there appeared an ill-fated, ill-advised, and partisan item which has seemingly aroused much controversy. In response to numerous requests, threats, hints, letters, and "friendly advice," we hereby apologize for that item. One contributor to our bag of fan-mail said that such items and the magazine in general tended to break down any inter-fraternity and sorority goodwill that might have somehow been built up. Such is not the intention, nor, we believe, the function of the *Gay Gator*. The writer of that letter added that anything of the kind written by any person reflected the attitude of that person's fraternity. This seems to be faulty reasoning; but if the students who read the *Gay Gator*, if any, resent the fact that its staff is lousy with Phi Gams, and therefore call the magazine partisan, we are inclined to agree with them. And we wish to explain why this undesirable situation exists.

Be it known, once and for all, that the *Gay Gator* is an all-college magazine. It seeks to represent the ideas and attitudes of all Alleghenians. It seeks contributions of any kind from anyone. In a way it does represent Allegheny, through an exchange with a number of schools, including the U. S. Naval Academy, the University of Michigan, and others. If you, as Alleghenians, think it is not truly representative of your college because only a certain limited group write for it, no one is at fault but yourself. If you feel that your fraternity should be represented on the staff, write something yourself. If you feel that your sorority was slighted or hurt in the last issue, write something about

Speaking Sharply

By Bob Shane

(With apologies to Clement Clarke Moore and others referred to herein.)
'Twas the night before Christmas, when all thru the college

Not a creature was sober to the best of our knowledge;

The stockings were hung up in Hulings with care

In hopes that the boy friends would give a new pair.

The faculty were nestled all snug in their beds,

While plans for our finals danced in their heads,

The dean in her kerchief, and I in my cap

Had just settled our brains for a long winter's nap

When out on the campus there arose such a clatter

I sprang out of my bed to see what was the matter.

The street lights shone down on perennial mud

For this night's celebration must not be a dud;

When what to my wondering eyes should appear

But a caravan of Sigs all loaded with beer,

The Phi Psis and Phi Dels were not far behind

With spirits frumentae confusing their mind,

The Dels and the Phi Gams were next in "the line"

They staggered along, imbibing Port wine.

In their haunts way down at the foot of the hill

The BKs and Chi Rhos had all drunk their fill.

When last but not least, just out of the pen,

Was that high-minded group known as Alden men.

The songs that they sang were rowdy and lewd

No doubt remained that they all were stewed.

But a little old driver so lively and jolly

(I knew in a moment it must be Doc Tolley)

To the scene quickly came

He whistled and shouted and called them by name.

Now Kinzer, now Bauder, now Hoover and Raskin

On Beckfield, on Colley, on Schultzie and Diskin.

To the top of the porch, to the top of the wall

Now dash away, dash away, dash away all.

Now Christmas comes but once a year

And tho you have no cause to fear,

Just watch your step and take a warning . . .

Happy Christmas to all, and to all a good morning.

This Week They Said.....
A fratnrit house cook; "Every year the guys that come here are bigger babies. Some of their damned foolishness is nothing but ten-year old stuff." The Phi Psi's recently played war with cap guns.

A scornful fraternity man; "Let the Phi Dels have the college girls. I'll take town girls any day." There are currently 17 swords and shields on co-ed busoms.

A couple loyal playshoppers; "The Campus" is nothing but a faculty mouth piece." Don't dare call them that to their faces. They would turn would turn white as a sheet.

An old timer, "People around here can't drink nearly as well as they used to." Well, we'll see.

if for the next issue. We invite your efforts and cooperation; we guarantee that no ideas will be censored.

When Monday night rolls around, no copy in, deadline tomorrow noon, the only thing left to do is to rout out all the over-worked would-be writers in the house, put together what they can produce in a few hours, and call it the *Gay Gator*. (Under such circumstances, slips such as the item in question are inevitable; but good intentions are not an excuse.) If more of Allegheny's future journalists, or otherwise, would write down something, anything, and call 1011, the situation would be improved.

Our old standbys have been Jack Dale and Bob Shane. Now we have added to the staff John Donahey, winner of last year's Freshman Writing Contest and contributing editor to the *Literary Magazine*; Hall Van Vlack, ex-editor of the *Yellow Sheet*, also a contributor to the *Lit Mag*; Dave Kinzer, famous as a columnist for the *Campus*; Don King, of the incomparable wit; and Nancy Sutton, Freshman class officer. This is a start toward our goal: to built up the *Gay Gator*, to make it representative of Allegheny.

Yours sincerely,
Editorial Staff of the *Gay Gator*.

SCRIBE HEARS 'ONE DAY 'TIL VACATION' CRY, INVESTIGATES

WRITER FINDS CHAOS REIGNING ON EVE OF EXODUS WITH TOO MANY THINGS TO DO IN SHORT TIME REMAINING; WELCOME HOME UNINSPIRED.

"Just one more day till vacation," trill the tired co-eds; "And then we'll go to the station," add the wornout eds as the nineteenth creeps closer and closer. We begin to wind up last minute details such as classes, required papers, tests given by unsympathetic professors, packing and other moronic "musts."

From the second day we come here,* right up to the last minute before we leave for home, we dream about that eventful day. For the freshmen it holds the greatest thrill; the sophomore still believes the let down is a mistake; the junior swears each time will be the last one he's anxious to leave; and the senior sheds tears as he goes out the door. Of course, there are exceptions: the boy with his pin out at home, the co-ed who wears a non-Allegheeny man's diamond, the freshmen who still have friends at home, and the few of us upper-classmen who do have a good time during vacations.

We have had definite intentions to sit down and make out a list of all the clothes we should take with us—we're sure they will be numerous.

Tomorrow morning between twelve and twelve-thirty we'll finally throw all the nearest things into the bag that has collected dust for three months under the bed. We'll get our roommate and two or three other hefty people to lend their support toward acquainting the top and bottom of the suitcase with each other.

Five minutes before the train is scheduled to leave (and it does leave even if you're not on it; but don't worry, a little fast walking will let you catch up to the Erie) you stumble downstairs and out to the taxi. You find yourself sitting on top of someones suit-case which is on top of still another Alleghenian in Meadville's lone taxi. But, somehow, somehow, you get there, find your ticket and board your train.

A full ten minutes are required for you to catch your breath and get your blood pressure down to normal after the run from the station to where the train actually is. While convalescing, you examine your shins carefully barked on the train steps. If you are a girl, you discover a run in your brand new stockings (and Nylon at that); a member of the opposite sex finds grease from the train on his fresh-from-the-mothballs-coat. Finally you settle down to get those few hours of sleep you never quite managed during the past three months.

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For days you have dreamed about that moment when you would step off the train. You've had visions of yourself—a tall, sophisticated person—sailing aloofly down the steps to a large family and perhaps a brass band waiting breathlessly to see you. Instead you find a hurried mother and father who hustle you home to help get dinner and begin immediately to criticize your unkempt appearance.

Brother sees you and yells, "Hi! how's college? Got a spare five bucks on you? Your football team sure does stink! Gosh your skirts are short!" Then he tears out to play ball with those horrid boys next door. "What if I did use to like them? That was when I was a mere child."

Sister greets you gleefully with "Oh, I am so glad to see you! You must sit down and tell me all about college. Mind if I borrow your red velvet for the dance tomorrow night? Oh, there's Jim. See you later." Mother announces you must rest and you find yourself alone in your room—only it isn't your room any more. Your younger sister has pictures of movie stars all over your precious wallpaper. You hunt for your one and only's picture which Mother has written she can't find to send you. At last you find it back in the closet under your outgrown summer clothes. You pick him up, dust him off, and find the frame missing. Clark Gable now reposes in it.

You expected when you went home to be entirely free of hash, mashed potatoes and unidentifiable meats. But at lunch time Mother is always dashing off to do some Christmas shopping or take the younger kids somewhere and calls to you as she goes out the door, "Fix whatever you want for lunch, dear. I'm sure there's something in the icebox. If not open a can of anything." You call up some friends, but their vacations don't coincide with yours. (Note to new students: they never do) and those whose do are too busy or aren't interested in hearing that Joe Bloo hung his pin or that Daisy Orchid slipped out the fire escape (they know this couldn't happen at Allegheny).

Sunday comes and you get attention. All the relatives for miles around come for dinner, and you almost have to argue before they'll let you help with the dishes. They put on long faces as you pack your bag—more carefully this time—and all want to go to the station with you. You say many good-byes, give out promises to write, and let cousin Bill settle you in a seat beside a large, fat lady.

A full ten minutes are required for you to catch your breath and to get your blood pressure down to normal. While convalescing, you examine your shins carefully barked on the train steps. If you are a girl, you discover a run in your brand new stockings (and Nylon at that); a member of the opposite sex finds grease from the train on his going-back-to-the-

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By Willis Bowman

With but one game remaining to be played, and that being one which will have little bearing on the outcome, the intramural volleyball season may be considered as closed. Delta Tau Delta resumes mastery of this sport, which she lost for one year. The Deltas played their schedule of seven games without a defeat, by winning their last three, and most important, matches during this past week. The hardest-fought of these was the one with the Sigs, who came in second with one defeat. SAE took the first game, but the winners came back strong in the next two, taking them by fairly decisive margins.

The standing, which may be accepted as practically final:

	W	L	Pts*
DTD	7	0	70
SAE	6	1	63
PKP	5	2	56
BK	3	4	42
PGD	3	4	42
AXP**	2	4	32
Alden Men	1	6	28
PDT**	0	6	18

* Points for the winner of a match; 3 for the loser.

** One game remaining.

Handball is still progressing in its leisurely fashion. Second round matches must be played by the 15th of January. So far the tournament has held pretty well to specifications—there have been no notable upsets. Of course several fellows lost who didn't think it possible that they could, but these incidents can hardly be called upsets.

Finals in intramural swimming were held last night, and a resume will appear in the next issue of the paper.

20 MEN REPORT FOR FRESHMAN SWIM TEAM

The freshman swimming team opened practice yesterday afternoon with an unusually large squad reporting to Coach Al Werner in the Montgomery gym pool.

Twenty men reported for the first practice, demonstrating an interest in the splashers' activities unequalled in recent Allegheny history.

Practices will be resumed after vacation on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday afternoons at 3:20 o'clock. The squad which has signed up for the freshman swimming activities consists of the following men:

Jesse Present, Phil Henderson, George Pulakos, Herb Sibley, Charles Swanson, Dick Rice, Ed Clark, Cal Miller, Kenny Stern, Floyd Ferguson, Kenny Wells, Hadley Luse, Ernie Newton, Warren Ash, Marty Stahler, Parker Swanson, Hamilton Witter, Wayne Thompson, Ed Logan, Earl Gilbert. The manager of the team will be Len Petroni.

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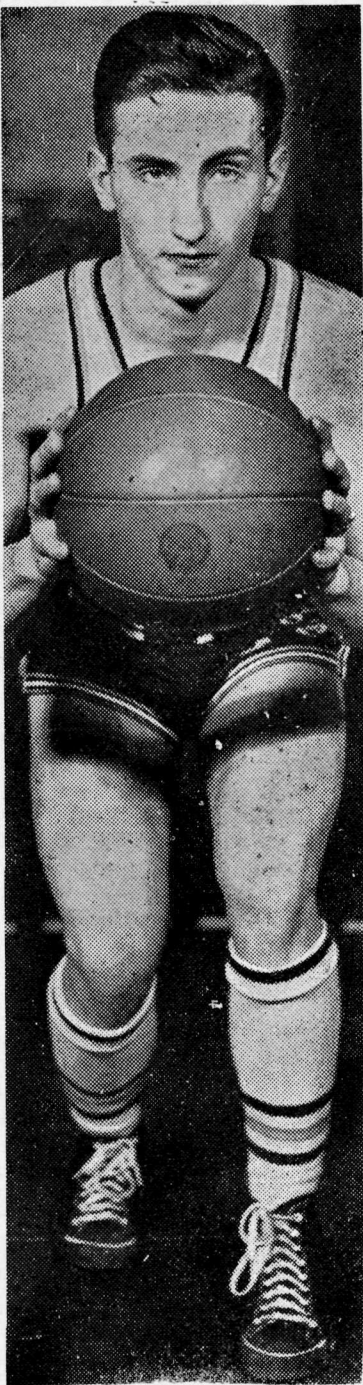
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CAGERS LOSE TO OBERLIN IN 46-40 GAME

Second Half Rally Falls Short as 'Gators Drop Season's First; Marred by Fouls.

Playing in the first game of the season away from home, the invading Allegheny Gators were repulsed by Oberlin college's floormen, 46—40. The towering Ohioans gained a 6—point lead by the end of the first half; and although the local cagers came back strong in the second canto, the Yeomen hung onto their advantage to emerge the final victors.

The short but speedy Gators opened the game with a blistering attack that for a while bewildered their opponents, but as the first half wore on the Yeomen gradually overhauled their foe and gained the lead of 26—20 which they held at the half-time mark. The Gators could never quite regain the lead during the second half with each outfit being held to 20 points.

Ventures to the foul lin proved costly to the Alleghenians as they failed to convert 17 out of 29 foul tries compared to Oberlin's failure on only 9 out of 21 tries, giving both teams 12 points on free throws. From the floor the Yeomen's 17 baskets to the Gators 14 accounted for the margin of victory. The close calling of the referee tended to slow down the Allegheny attack when several key men on the squad had three fouls called on them early in the game.

Big Faloon, the first of the starting five to leave on fouls, was forced out midway in the second half and was followed shortly by Nichols and Marasco.

Squad practices will be suspended on Thursday for two weeks during the holidays, but will be resumed soon after New Year's to get the team ready for their next encounter with the unbeaten Thiel Tomcats here in the gym January 7.

LINEUPS:	FG	FP	FT	TP
Carlisle rf	2	2	3	6
McConnachie lf	0	0	0	0
DeGross c	0	1	1	1
Martin rg	3	6	10	12
Address lg	3	2	4	8
Purves lf	2	0	1	4
Kernshan c	2	1	2	5
Dipman rf	4	0	0	8
Orebaugh lg	1	0	0	2
	17	12	21	46
	FG	FP	FT	TP
Frye rf	3	0	0	6
Baldwin lf	4	0	3	8
Faloon c	4	2	5	10
Nichols rg	0	4	9	4
Marasco lg	2	3	6	7
McMillan lf-c	1	2	3	4
McKnight lg	0	1	1	1
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Campus Social Whirl

By Helen Anne Hilker

A Christmas Party . . .

. . . for a group of about 50 local children was held by the Independent women in the recreation room of Hulings hall Saturday from 2 until 4 o'clock. Boys and girls aged four to ten were entertained with games and Christmas carols, and refreshments were served. Presents were distributed by Santa Claus, and the Cwens assisted with the party.

A committee in charge of the annual event included: Betty Pidgeon, '42; Cynthia Logan, '43; Bettymae MacComb, '43; Virginia Brandt, '43; Jane Austin, '43; Esther Blymyer, '42, and Janet Anne Smith, '43.

Alpha Chi Omega's . . .

. . . fall formal was held at the Sigma Alpha Epsilon house last Friday evening. Chaperones were Mr. and Mrs. Guy E. Buckingham, and music was provided by the orchestra of Benny Jones. Jean Feierabend, '42, was chairman of a committee in charge which included: Harriet Anderson, '42; Peggy Beacom, '42; Dorothy Bence, '42, and Betty Chapelle, '42. Decorations carried out a yuletide motif. Mr. and Mrs. Jack Reilly were guests.

On Monday evening the chapter held a Christmas party in the rooms, and a gift shower for the rooms was held by members of the sorority.

A Christmas Party . . .

. . . was held by Alpha Gamma Delta Monday evening in the chapter rooms. Peggy Fitzpatrick, '42, was in charge of arrangements.

Christmas Pines and Candles . .

. . . decorated the Phi Gamma Delta house Friday evening for Kappa Alpha Theta's fall formal. A special note in the decorations was a punch bowl surrounded by greens, through which concealed Christmas lights were reflected. Music was furnished by Hud Himes' orchestra, and chaperones were Mr. and Mrs. J. W. McMahan and Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Lavelly. A committee in charge of arrangements included: Barbara Lawson, '42, chairman, Helen McClester, '43, and Margaret Laley, '43.

The seniors of the sorority entertained the rest of the chapter with a Christmas party Monday evening.

A Dinner Party . . .

. . . was given by the sophomore class of Kappa Kappa Gamma for the chapter Monday evening. Ruth Brace and Ruth Gelbach were in charge.

Theta Upsilon . . .

. . . holds its fall formal Friday evening at the Phi Kappa Psi, with the Town club providing the music. Chaperones were Miss Laila Skinner and Mr. Albert Ogilvie, and Mr. and Mrs. F. F. Seely. A committee in charge of arrangements included Ruth Jarvis, '41, chairman; Jean Ferguson, '41; Elizabeth Bartlett, '43; Betsy Browne, '43, and Janet Cronberger, '41.

Miss Frances Batchelor, '39, was a week-end guest of the sorority.

A Christmas party was held in the chapter rooms, Monday evening, with Dorothy French, '42; Margaret Cox, '42, and Catherine Cavelti, '43, in charge.

Saturday Night . . .

. . . saw the fall formal of Alpha Chi Rho, with music provided by Frankie Fornear and his orchestra. Chaperones were Mr. and Mrs. Harold State, and guests were Fred L. Ewing and David Andre.

Sunday evening the Chi Rhos entertained with a Christmas party after the concert. Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Cavelti were chaperones, and Mr. Alfred Werner was a guest.

New Initiates . . .

. . . of Beta Kappa are Charles Bayless, '41, James Oldes, '43, and Robert Blot-
teh, '43, initiated November 25.

A Tea Dance . . .

. . . in honor of Alpha Gamma Delta was given by Delta Tau Delta Saturday afternoon. Miss Mildred Ludwig chaperoned.

A guest of the fraternity at dinner Sunday was Mr. Jack Alderfer.

Phi Delta Theta . . .

. . . held its fall formal Saturday evening. George Weber and his band came from Erie to play for this party. Chaperones include Miss Mildred Ludwig and Mr. Albert Ogilvie. From Meadville were Mr. and Mrs. Bozie and Mr. and Mrs. McKee, guests of the chapter. Returning for the week-end were Roger Brownell, '40, John Haberman, '39, and Mr. and Mrs. John Barry, ex '41.

The annual Ginch dinner for actives was given on Sunday. Guests attending were Dr. William Tongue, Mrs. Woodworth, and Mr. Albert Ogilvie and Miss Mildred Ludwig and Mrs. William St. Clair, '40.

Guests of . . .

. . . Phi Gamma Delta during the last week were Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Long and Mr. Albert Ogilvie at dinner Tuesday evening, and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Johe on Wednesday evening. Thursday evening Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Miller and Mr. Alfred Werner were guests.

The fraternity gave its annual Christmas party for the orphans of the Odd Fellows home Monday afternoon. The annual Christmas chapter party was held Wednesday evening.

Allegheny Co-eds . . .

. . . were entertained at a tea held Sunday afternoon from 3 until 5 o'clock by Phi Kappa Psi. Miss Mildred Ludwig and Miss Gertrude Thomas chaperoned, and about 250 women students were present during the afternoon.

The house was elaborately decorated in honor of the Christmas season, and guests were given chrysanthemum corsages. Gilbert Brown was in charge of arrangements, with Miss Thomas assisting. Hostesses who assisted in pouring and serving were Cleo Swanson, '41; Louise Hazlett, '41; Jean Hanahan, '42; Ruth Benson, ex-'42; Janet Cronberger, '41; Ellen Boyd, '44; Ardith Ackert, '44, and Caryl Harris, '42.

Guests of the fraternity at dinner last Thursday evening were Miss Mildred Ludwig and Miss Alice Kemp. The chapter Christmas party was held Monday evening.

Initiation of . . .

. . . Chester Pepper is announced by Sigma Alpha Epsilon. A week-end guest of the fraternity was Arthur Gratz, '40. Mr. and Mrs. Harold State were guests at dinner Sunday.

'CAMPUS' CHANGES ARE ANNOUNCED

David Kinzer, '41, has been appointed associate editor of *The Campus*, according to an announcement made by Howard Gibbs, '41, at a meeting last night.

TABLE TALK

(continued from page 1)
about anything constructive. And, above all, we show very little of that quality which the college most wants to stimulate. It is the doing of something original—creative!

The train of reasoning Mr. Gibbs' critics use runs afoul here. They would say if a student doesn't want to be creative he certainly doesn't have to. Sure and if they want to be in things just to be in them, if they want to take courses just to get hours for graduation, they have the right. And if they want to lead dull, ordinary, imitative lives, they have that right, too.

We aren't going at either of them right. Too often, we go into too many outside activities. Too often we fail to realize that, in order to get anything out of an activity, we must work just as hard with it as we should with our studies. Too often, activities are just something to add to the list under your senior pictures in the Kaldron.

This matter should not be dropped. If the students aren't following a sane program, just letting the mhave their freedom won't solve anything. In this day and age we have to take college seriously, because there is no soft job ahead of us out there. Hell-raizing is wonderful fun, but, as a habit, it just doesn't go anymore. It will be much better for us if we get the feel of dirt instead of clouds under our feet, and some knowledge instead of noise in our head.

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