

BULLETIN

This Day in Yale History, 1979

February 20, 1979 / Neither rain nor shine nor postal holidays will close this university

By Sascha Segan

Last Monday confused students wandered in and out of Yale Station wondering what had happened to the mail they relied on to cure their February blues. But Monday was President’s Day, a national holiday.

The post office was closed, but Yale was open for business
In fact, Yale is open on every national holiday which falls during term time including President’s Day, Labor Day, Martin Luther King Jr. Day, and Columbus Day. Though freshpeople express some bewilderment, jaded seniors have realized the truth: like WaWa, Yale never closes.



Not again. Three and a half inches of snow blanketed the campus yesterday, causing traffic jams and forcing students to trudge through gray slush on their way to classes. The snow should turn to sleet and rain today, Enterprise weatherman Russ Korins said yesterday. “It will be more of a flooding event,” Korins said.



Love at the Yale Center for British Art, Through the Lens on Page 11



Behind the Headline

By Leo Nyberg

I woke up energized Thursday morning and forsook my usual morning routine of lying in bed for some reading. The Washington Post reported that morning that over 100 colleges and universities had cut ties with programs that help racial minorities after the Trump Administration had pressured them to do so. Yale was not featured in The Post’s story, so I decided to do some reporting of my own. I sent an email to the PhD Project, a group Yale had been investigated for partnering with, to find out if the University had cut ties with it.

The Department of Education beat me to the punch. Shortly after I read The Post article, the Office of Civil Rights posted a list of 31 universities that had agreed to cut ties, and at the bottom of the list was Yale. So, I emailed all the important actors to get comments over the weekend, preparing to file the story Sunday night. I reached out to other universities’ communications offices to see if they could offer more details than Yale would, and MIT responded. Although Yale and School of Management spokespeople declined to comment on the story, they kindly told me to stay safe and warm during the snowstorm.

Read “Agency: Yale left diversity program” on page 1.

CORRECTIONS:

In the Feb. 20 edition, an article about research into biodegradable plastics misstated some of the findings of a study by Yale School of the Environment researchers. The study found that substituting 46 percent of conventional plastics, not all of them, with biodegradable alternatives could reduce ecotoxicity by 34 percent — and could reduce global waste accumulation by 27, not 65, percent. The article also referred misleadingly to a team of industrial ecologists with whom associate professor Yuan Yao conducted the study; she conducted it with Zhengyin Piao, a postdoctoral researcher. And, due to an editing error, the article inaccurately identified Yao as a 2019 graduate of the School of the Environment. She is an associate professor at the school, but not an alumna.

An article about layoffs at Yale College printed in the Feb. 20 edition misrepresented a Yale spokesperson’s response to the News’ inquiries. The spokesperson provided a statement but did not directly answer the News’ questions about whether University employees had been laid off.

A Weekend article on a course in lithology published in the Feb. 20 edition misspelled a professor’s name. She is Irene Michnicki, not Michniki.

An Opinion column about the News’ practice of ending articles with a neutral fact published in the Feb. 20 edition misquoted an example of a neutral fact. The quote stated that the Qing dynasty fell in the early 20th century, not the early 13th century.

A review of Yale Opera’s “La Bohème” published in the Feb. 17 edition misstated the name of a performer due to an error in the show’s program. He is Chris Leingruber, not Leimbruger.

Puzzles

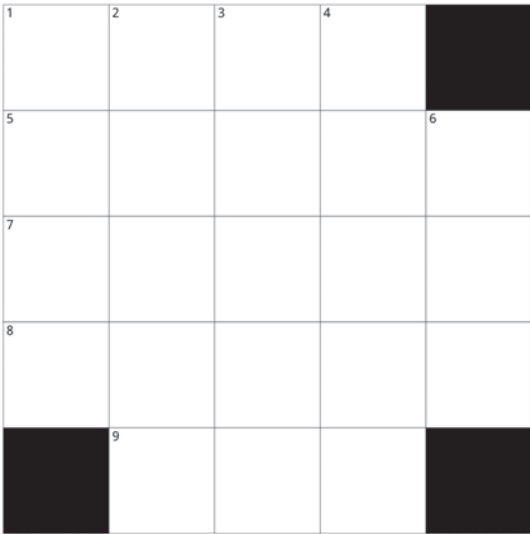
Puzzle by Ariana Borut '27

ACROSS

- 1 Make some cookies
- 5 1/16 of a pound
- 7 Best case
- 8 Truth twisters
- 9 Unusual

DOWN

- 1 Prepare, as water for pasta
- 2 The "A" in A/V
- 3 Work, as dough
- 4 Paperless birthday greeting
- 6 Aboveground trains



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