

Variables Stop Muchachos Twice 58-54, 70-63

In the final two games played in the Highacres Intramural League, the red-hot Variables turned in two fine performances in tripping the faltering Muchachos, 58-54, and 70-63.

Scheidy, Marsicano, and Corcoran with 17, 15, and 10 points respectively, paced the Variables in the 58-54 triumph. This was a nip and tuck battle most of the way, with the game being decided in the final few minutes. The Variables controlled the backboards, and this proved to be the margin of victory.

High for the Muchachos in this game were Laytar with 19 and Baffle with 17 of the Muchachos' 54 points.

In the second game of the series without the services of Marsicano, the Variables once again turned the trick with a 70-63 victory. Sharp shooting by Gosdick with 19 points highlighted the Variables' attack. Scheidy chipped in with 17 counters, and Harry Defina followed him up with 11 points. Once again it was a question of controlling the backboards, and the Variables did a magnificent job of it.

Jerry Laytar played a fine game in a losing cause. He came up with 21 points to top all scorers. Big Jim Szczecina ripped the chords for 16, and Tom Baffle added 15 to lead the Muchacho scoring.

The league has since undergone revision with players being more evenly distributed among the teams. Inter-campus play has also been initiated, and students are asked to support your team with attendance at the games.

FELICES PASCUAS Y PROSPERO AÑO NUEVO

From the Spanish Department

MANY U. S. TOWNS HAVE NAMES WHICH RELATE TO CHRISTMAS

Scattered here and there about the United States are numerous towns and cities whose name reflects the Christmas idea in one way or another.

Best known, of course, are the towns of Santa Claus, Indiana; Bethlehem, Conn.; Bethlehem, Penna.; and Christmas, Florida, whose post offices each year handle floods of mail from senders wishing to brighten their packages with Yuletide postmarks.

Indiana's Santa Claus is the only town with exclusive rights to its Yuletide postmark, although there is a Santa, Idaho. The privilege of the exclusive Santa Claus postmark is reserved to the Indiana post office by congressional act. There is only one Christmas, the one in Florida, although Maine boasts a Christmas Cove.

Six Bethlehems

Bethlehem, Conn., has plenty of competition, however, as there are six other Bethlehems—in Indiana, Kentucky, Pennsylvania, Georgia, Maryland, and New Hampshire.

There are two Noels, one in Virginia and the other in Missouri.

Looking elsewhere about the country one can find numberless towns and cities with names which call up Biblical or holiday associations. There is an Advent, West Virginia, for the Nativity. Kentucky has a Mary, and Oregon and Utah a Joseph each.

A Wiseman

One Wiseman is found in Arkansas and another in Alaska, and it's reasonable to assume that another may be found in Wisemantown, Kentucky. In the spirit of the season West Virginia contributes Goodwill; Missouri boasts of Peace Valley.

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extensive list of the whereabouts and activities of former students. Such data are available upon request. Also, to help keep this file up-to-date, please send us any personal or professional information.

Here is some representative information of the Class of 1960: Joseph Rodzewich and Richard Thompson are working in New Mexico. John Beccone, Jack Gogal, and Ronald Mattavi are employed at the Bell Telephone Laboratories in New Jersey; John Drosdak is with Western Electric; George Hardish is at Dorr-Oliver; John Bellas and Eric Hagstrand are employed in Berwick at the American Car and Foundry; John Benner is at the Pennsylvania Power and Light in Hazleton.

Elaine Lotito, Ann Stish, Dave Senuto, Johnny Tarone, Nancy Bradney, Bob Perugini, Catherine Casper, Richard Curcio, Joseph Greybush, Mary Lou Zukovich, Joseph Fulton, Dennis Miller, Bob Fetterman, and Mike Slavich have transferred to University Park, while Alex Lilje has transferred to Keystone Junior College, and Nick Vinciquerre is at Bloomsburg. Edwina Roland and Joan Yenko are studying at St. Joseph's Hospital in Hazleton.

Season's greetings from the following (sent while forwarding their annual alumni dues). Dorothy Melley, Norman Polochney, Henry Guilianni, Ramon Saul, Joseph B. Conahan, Fred Traxelli, John W. Stefan, Lillian M. Junas, Thaddeus Jaworski, Allen Naugle, Richard C. Steidle, Joseph Smith, Methody Serkot, Lt. Frank Romanelli (Westover Air Force Base, Mass.), John Drosdak, Joseph Coury, Joseph Ondo, Edward Lozovsky, Bernard Stone, and Robert R. Pekala (Harlingen Air Force Base, Texas).

McCoy Says Four-Term Plan Will Not Hinder Athletics

Ernest B. McCoy, director of athletics, fully anticipates that Penn State will make the transition from the two-semester to the four-term academic year in 1961 without seriously affecting its intercollegiate athletic program.

"There will be scheduling problems, of course," he said, "but there is no good reason why, with a little ingenuity, we will not be able to overcome anything that I can now foresee."

In 1961, for example, the Nittany Lions will launch their football campaign against Navy at home two weeks before the opening of fall classes.

"There'll be no students on campus," McCoy noted, "but we anticipate no difficulty in contriving a plan whereby they can gain admission to the stadium if they want to see the game."

Pre-season football practice will not be affected since September will be the one month in the year when undergraduate classes are not in operation. The four academic terms, under which an undergraduate may qualify for a degree in three calendar years, will be spread over the other eleven months of the year.

An athlete would give up a year's eligibility if he were to attend four terms for three consecutive years, but McCoy doubts that many will follow this pattern.

Winter schedules in basketball, wrestling and gymnastics are currently under study since this in one period of the year when sports will encompass two successive terms, but McCoy explained that this happened even under the two-semester system and should present no insurmountable obstacles under the four-term plan.

Highacres Auxiliary Sees Play and Hears Two Talks By Faculty

A play by Highacres students and talks by faculty personnel were the program features of the recent meeting of the Women's Auxiliary of the Hazleton Campus of the Pennsylvania State University.

The play, "The Moralist," written by a former Highacres student, was introduced by James Marcolina, president of the Belles-Lettres Society, which presented the play; Sally Switaj, Robert Krutsick, Paul Miller, and George Wanko were the cast members.

Thomas Kidd, manager of the Student Union building, said that the Pennsylvania State University is a set of ideals; it aims to graduate educated as well as trained citizens, who are capable of independent judgment, able to serve the spiritual ends of human effort as well as material needs of society.

The PSU motto was cited, "Enter to learn; go forth to serve."

The second talk was by Professor Andrew Kafka of the Highacres faculty, who complimented and commended the auxiliary women for their part in the betterment of the Hazleton campus. Speakers were introduced by Mrs. Elizabeth Bodenstein of the Hazleton campus faculty.

During the business meeting, over which Mrs. Arthur Kostenbaurer presided, reports were given on projects of the auxiliary for the beautification of the school. They included the purchase of a red maple tree, a fountain, a bench, silverware, and curtains.

It was announced that the annual meeting with the election of officers will be held the first Monday in May. This will be the closing session of the auxiliary.

GRAPPLERS WIN FIRST TWO MEETS

By DAVE LEONARD

The defending Eastern champs from the foot of Mt. Nittany easily won their first two wrestling matches over Army and West Virginia. Led by Denny Slattery, a brilliant sophomore from Williamsport, the Lions won the first four matches of the evening, before dropping a decision in the 167 lb. class. The Black Knights never got started and had to forfeit the heavy-weight match. The final score was this: Penn State 21, Army 10.

In the second meet, the grunTERS and groanERS had little trouble in polishing off the Mountaineers of West Virginia, 31-4. Slattery led off with a second period win, and everyone of the remaining State victories were scored by falls. The only two blemishes on the Lion record in this match were draws in the 147 and 167 lb. classes.

The prospect for a winning season for the Lion basketball season this year is very slight. Although they have Dumars who is certainly All-American material, the team lacks depth and height. Penn State has always been noted for its great wrestling and gymnastics teams, but one hardly hears anything about a good basketball team. The main reason for this is that the athletic department is very lax in giving basketball scholarships. If this is remedied, we could have some championship teams.

Refreshments were served by a committee headed by Mrs. Morris Lefkowitz and Mrs. Elizabeth Bodenstein, chairman; Mrs. Dorothy Bresnock, Mrs. R. Emerson Buckley, Mrs. Hilda Taylor, Misses Betty Harlor and Margaret Belezza.