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EDITORIAL.

When one college team plays an athletic contest at another college its members are usually accorded a certain amount of courteous and gentlemanly treatment by the home team. This is an established custom among all the larger colleges throughout the east. When the State basket ball team journeyed to Morgantown to play West Virginia University on Tuesday of last week, that kind of a reception was wholly lacking. We have heard a lot of the proverbal "southern hospitality," but did not find it exemplified by W. V. U. As to the game, there was not one particle of scientific basket ball in it. Instead, it partook of a disgraceful wrestling and slugging match. It is to be regretted that State had to adopt means to play W. V. U. at her own game during the second half in order to score. In this way State managed to score ten points to two of her opponents, but could not overcome the lead secured against her in the first half. The refereeing was-well, one of the Morgantown papers admitted that it was "questionable."

But we will not dwell on that point. The personal comments and insulting remarks that came from the side lines are mainly what lowered State's opinion of W. V. U. Here at State a man, be he student or town person, who passes an insulting reremark about one one of the visitors places himself in a very uncomfortable and unenviable position with the rest of the students. State's players received a new surprise when they reached the dressing room. Here, instead of offering to shake hand; as is the custom, Virginia's players themselves continued their "knocking" and insulting remarks. One man who made himself prominent at this stage was Gronninger, who during the game wore a nose guard. If West Virginia has adopted these tactics and treats all her visitors in this manner we are sorry for her. Without a doubt, athletic relations with her cease with this contest. State teams have played "rough-house" games before, have often submitted to decisions that are admittedly "questionable," but must insist on receiving gentlmanly and courteous treatment in a sportsmanlike manner.

We wonder if the fellows who read magazines in Sunday chapel ever think of it seriously and debate whether it is right or wrong. Maybe some have become so accustomed to reading during the sermon that they have forgotten the prick of conscience which they felt the first time they did it. What the student hears in chapel should form part of his education as much as what he hears in the lecture room, and does it seem fair to the speaker to read during the sermon? Putting aside the question of disrespect shown to the speaker, is it a fair deal not to listen to the men who are trying to help us lead a better life? How many of us would turn aside when some one was tempting

us-how many would not listen at all? Let's at least give the Sunday chapel speakers the same chance we do the tempter—it is only fair. If you do not want to look at it from a moral standpoint consider it fro manother view. What do you suppose is the opinion of a visitor who sits in the gallery and notices the number of men who are guilty of this practice? The one who reads in chapel never knows who might be up there watching him.

Current Events.

THURSDAY, MAR. 15 Basket Ball in Armory. Sophcmores vs. Freshmen. FRIDAY, MAR. 16.

- 6.30 P. M. Mechanical Engineering Society.
- 8.00 P. M. Auditorium. Lecture by Geo. R. Wendling on "Saul of Tarsus."

SUNDAY, MAR. 18.

11.00 A. M. Chapel.

- 6.00 P. M. Y.M.C.A. 529 Main. TUESDAY, MAR. 19.
- 6.30 P. M. Y.M.C.A. 529 Main. WEDNESDAY, MAR. 20.
- 6.30 P. M. Electrical Engineering Society.

ALUMNI.

E. C Silvius, '03, has designed and is building a bridge for the Pennsylvania Railroad at Appola, Pa.

Paul Murray, '02, is in the engineering inspection department of the Western Electric Co., of Chica-

- C. V Fitzimons, '05, is connected with the electrical sales department of the Fairbanks, Morse & Co., Chicago.
- F. J. Pond, '92, Assistant Professor of engineering chemistry at Stevens Institute, Hoboken, N. J., has recently been honored with election to fellowship in the American Association for the advancement of Science.