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**Attention, Alumni!**

Do not fail to notify the secretary of the Pennsylvania State College Alumni Association of a change of address or position, as an effort is made to keep an up-to-date record of every alumnus on file.

**EDITORIAL.**

Through the efforts of Dean Jackson a start has been made toward permanently providing for a doubly felt want in the School of Engineering. So greatly crowded has the Engineering Building been during this college year that almost every room is in constant use, even the library being pressed into service as a recitation room. This state of affairs left no place where students

might gather between periods or during vacant hours to read or mingle together socially. This fact, together with the expressed wish of alumni on a visit to their Alma Mater that some place be provided where they might meet the students of the present day, has led to the setting aside of Room 11, formerly occupied by the Mechanical Museum, as a social parlor. The room has been partly furnished by college but to be of any great service it must be specially equipped for its intended use. With this end in view, Prof. Jackson has appealed to a number of engineering graduates for the necessary funds. When enough money has been secured the room will be dedicated as "The Engineering Alumni and Students Social Parlor." Once furnished, the room can be maintained by student contributions. To those who realize the pressing need for such a room the project should appeal so strongly that the necessary funds will be promptly forthcoming.

A statement sent out from Bucknell University and very widely circulated by the newspapers of the state a few days ago referred to the passage of a resolution by the Executive Board of the Bucknell Athletic Association agreeing to accede to the "request" of the Faculty Committee of the Penna. State College for a resumption of athletic relations between the two institutions. The Collegian has been assured by the Faculty Committee that it has never "requested" a resumption of athletic relations with Bucknell, although it has frequently expressed

its willingness to do its part toward renewing such relations if suitable regulations could be made, and has for years shown friendliness toward Bucknell. Since the student bodies of both Bucknell and State have gone on record as favoring closer relations and the faculty committees on both sides are known to hold the same attitude, it is only a question of time before some definite understanding will be worked out. Meanwhile, any talk of games in the near future may be considered premature.

The recent epidemic of appendicitis, one case of which proved fatal and another very serious, brings up once more the question of a college physician. In many other institutions each student is charged a small fee every year, the fund thus created being used to employ a competent and experienced physician and to maintain a small hospital. The necessity for students in the last stage of some acute disease to lay unattended in their rooms or take long journeys to a hospital is thereby avoided and much suffering prevented, not to mention loss of life.

The rapid growth of the college has greatly increased the chance for illness and some relief from present conditions is imperatively demanded. In view of recent occurrences such action should no longer be delayed.

C. N. Fleming, '09, editor-in-chief of the Collegian, is convalescing favorably from an attack of appendicitis at the Altoona hospital. It is not yet known when he will be able to resume college duties.

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