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THURSDAY, FEB. 20, 1908

EDITORIAL.

Our varsity basketball team returned on Monday after a very successful trip and Thursday's game with Swarthmore will give us an opportunity to express our appreciation of their excellent work. The best way to show it will be by letting loose the best cheering of the season. Everybody out.

At the suggestion of "Pop" Golden, Director of Athletics, and of Prof. Higley, Chairman of the Faculty Athletic Committee, both of whom attended the last meeting of the Intercollegiate Athletic Association as our delegates, we present for the thoughtful consideration

of the student body the matter of summer baseball. The real question at issue is whether we believe that members of our baseball squad should be permitted to play during the summer vacation on any of the six classes of teams mentioned in another column, or not. What is desired is a fair, unbiased discussion of the case from both sides in order that our attitude as a college may be determined and reported to the next convention. At that time the Association will take action on the matter and we will be expected to abide by the decision. In the meantime, crystallization of sentiment among ourselves is essential.

There is much to be said on both sides of this question and in order to promote a thorough discussion the Collegian will be glad to print as many open letters as space permits. They must be brief and concise, and should contain matter not previously published. Such communications must be signed by the writer but his name will not be published if so desired. They should be dropped in the box at 130 Main or mailed not later than Monday of each week for insertion in the following issue. The Collegian seeks to advance neither side and will be fair to both.

CALENDAR.

THURSDAY, FEB. 20

8:00 P. M. Basketball. Armory. Swarthmore vs. State.

FRIDAY, FEB. 21

Junior Banquet. Bellefonte.

6:30 P. M. Altoona Club. Room 23 Eng. Building.

SATURDAY, FEB. 22

Agricultural Society Banquet. McAllister Hall.

Chess Club. 130 Main.

SUNDAY, FEB. 23

11:00 A. M. Chapel. Dr. Gill will preach.

6:15 P. M. Y. M. C. A. 529 Main.

MONDAY, FEB. 24

7:00 P. M. Agricultural Society, Assembly Room, Agri. Bldg.

TUESDAY, FEB. 25

6:30 P. M. Forestry Seminar, Forestry Bldg.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 26

Basketball. Fordham vs. State at New York.

7:00 P. M. E. E. Society. Room 20 Eng. Building.

The Beauties of Nature.

The lecture given in the Auditorium by Mr. J. Horace McFarland last Thursday night was without doubt one of the most interesting ever delivered here. His subject, "Our Common Trees and Their Uncommon Flowers," drew a large and appreciative audience. He took up the different varieties of the maple, the elm, the willow, the oak, the hickory, the ash, and many fruit trees, showing their value as shade trees and their beauty as ornaments and motifs in work of art. By the aid of very beautiful and exquisitely colored lantern slides, he was able to show the natural colors of the leaves and flowers, so little seen by the busy people on the street; and, as a contrast to the beauty of nature, he showed the deplorable effects brought on by modern civilization. The devastation left by the lumbermen, and the reckless chopping of trees in city streets were brought out quite vividly.

Freshmen at the University of Pennsylvania are not allowed to leave or enter College Hall by the front entrance, but must use the side or rear doors.

Fifty men reported at the first meeting of "The Mask and Wig Club" at Pennsylvania last week. The manager and coach expect two hundred to be out in a few days.