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EDITORIAL.

In another column appears the notice of the organization of the Wrestling Club. It seems to us that this is a move in the right direction. One of the chief difficulties with intercollegiate athletics today is that only a limited number of students become proficient enough to compete in the contests. Therefore, anything which will tend to broaden the scope of our athletics and give more chances to the student body for physical development is to be commended.

At present, in our college, wrestling itself is not a very highly developed sport. If it were not for the annual contest between the freshmen and sophomores, it would

be almost ignored. This should not be the case, since it is a well known fact that as a general exercise and body builder, wrestling stands among the first of all athletic games. As the present club proposes to maintain a seven man team, each man being of a different weight, every man in college can try for the team. Men will only compete with other men of their own weight and, therefore, the large man will have no unfair advantage. To freshmen and preps who may wish to try for their class teams this is an excellent opportunity to develop themselves and at the same time to learn wrestling.

At present only a few men in College know much about wrestling and therefore to develop a team capable of winning victories for State will mean considerable work. However, we have material in college for a fine team if everybody will turn out and try for it whether he knows any wrestling or not. Let us develop a team which will bring fresh laurels to Old Penn State

Through utter carelessness, and inexcusable roughness on the part of different sets of students who go to the Auditorium for class or club pictures, the two pianos on the platform have been very badly defaced, even to the extent of one piano, last Friday, having pieces of the wood chipped off.

Such roughness cannot be excused on any grounds, and Miss Atherton has requested us to make this statement of the condition of the pianos, and asks that hereafter, any club expecting to have pictures taken from the platform, will either have the janitor of that building help

with any moving of the pianos, or let them stand where they are.

The Thespians.

Since Tuesday of last week, the members of "The Thespians" have been busily engaged in rehearsing for their first performance, which will be given in the Auditorium tomorrow evening. Practice is held twice a day and from every indication this season's show will be the best in recent years.

The title of this year's production is "The Toastmaster" It is a college play and deals with the interesting experiences of a freshman class in their efforts to break up the sophomore banquet. The toastmaster is captured by the freshmen, and after some exciting complications, he is regained by the sophomores. The whole affair is very amusing, but in the end everything is settled with satisfaction. In the banquet scene, the college glee club takes an active part by rendering several appropriate selection.

Mrs. Hurley, of Philadelphia, has again been engaged as trainer. She arrived early last week and immediately began her work with the club.

At present, Manager Laird is away arranging for a trip. The itinerary will probably include Bellefonte, Tyrone, Clearfield, Williamsport, Chambersburg, and Lewisburg.

Sophomore Basketball League.

The sophomores have organized a Basketball League composed of the following teams: Civils, Chemists, Farmers, Electricals, Mechanicals, and Miners. A schedule has been arranged and the games promise to be very interesting.

The first game was played on the 19th, when the Miners defeated the Civils by the score of 19-14. The Electricals won their game from the Chemists 14-3, the same night, but were defeated by the Mechanicals