

## \$2000 IN PRIZES

Rewards for Five Best Economic Essays—Details From Professor Ray.

Penn State students are to be given an opportunity to compete for \$2,-000 in prizes offered by Hart, Shaffner & Marx for the best essays on economic subjects. These prizes are offered annually. The essays this year must be in by June 1, 1910. Professor J. Laurence Laughlin of the University of Chicago is chairman of the committee in charge of the contest.

There are five prizes, totaling \$2,000. The contestants are divided into three classes, fuller details of which may be had from Professor Ray, professor of history and political science. The prizes are as follows: Class A—First prize, \$600; second prize, \$400. Class B—first prize \$300; second prize, \$200. Class C—One prize, \$500

Classes "A" and "B" refer particularly to college graduates and under graduates, and the following subjects have been suggested by Professor Laughlin's committee

1. The effect of labor unions on international trade.

2. The best means of raising the wages of the unskilled.

3 A comparison between the theory and the actual practice of protectionism in the United States. 4. A scheme for an ideal monetary system for the United States.

The true relation of the central government to trusts.
How much of J. S. Mills' economic system survives ?

7. A central bank as a factor in a financial crisis.

The members of the committee aside from Professor Laughlin, are: Prof. J. B. Clark, Columbia University; Prof. Henry C. Adams, University of Michigan; Horace White, Esq., New York City, and, Edwin F. Gay, Harvard University.

B. of St. A. to Build a Church.

A smoker given recently by the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, to the Episcopal students, accomplished its work well by bringing together the the student and faculty members of the denomination. Speeches were made by Mr. Hewitt, the Episcopal rector at Bellefonte, by Dr. Pond and Professor Frizzell, all bearing upon a subject of great importance to church members here the plan for the erection of a church. Ground in a desirable part of town has been held for some time, and plans are entertained for starting the church before next summer. Mr. Hewitt, who did similar work at the University of Nebraska, expects to have not only a church, but also a parish club house where the members can assemble for social purposes, and where also a limited number of student members can obtain rooms.

## LIBRARY NOTES.

Recent gifts to the library include twenty-two volumes from General Beaver; a set of Taine's History of English Literature in three volumes finely | illustrated, contributed | by Hon. W. P. Humes of Bellefonte; from Dr. Crane copies of his books on Gold and Silver, and a Bibliograph of Mining Literature; Volumes 1, 3, 4 and 5 of the Memoirs of the Philadelphia Society for promoting Agriculture, the gift of Roberto L. Luaces, Agricultural, Engineer of Camaguez, Cuba. These volumes date from 1814 and are a very valuable addition to the library. The name, Alonso Betancount appears on the fly leaves. The donor writes that Mr. Betancount is a man who dedicated his life and fortune to the betterment of Cuba, liberated his inherited slaves and gave each of them a number of acres of his own estate. He also built the first railroad in Spanish speaking countries.

Through the courtesy of Edward N. Hay, ex'11, now of Cornell, the the library receives the current issues of the Cornell Daily Sun. These will be found with the other college issues on a table in the main Reading Room.

At a recent meeting of the senior class J. H. Graber was elected treasurer to fill the vacancy caused by the departure of R. E. Disque. It was also voted to drop the idea of having any Senior Week festivities between semesters.