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Notice to Juniors and Sophomores.

From the few applications for the vacancies on the Collegian board, it would seem that there is but little literary interest in the student body. In spite of the fact that a notice was printed in these columns two weeks ago for one man from the junior and one from the sophomore class, up to the present time but a handful of men have put in their names.

It should indeed be strongly impressed on the students that the Collegian is primarily a student paper and unless it is accorded proper interest, it cannot successfully exist. From a few applications it is practically an impossibility to select the best men in the institution to aid in the advancing and carrying on of the college paper and it is mainly with this aim in view that this appeal is being made.

Every man has had some experience; why not show it now? Do not wait until the eleventh hour but send in your application at once and be assured that the men who do the best work will be assigned to the vacant positions.

Interest Manifested.

One of the most prevalent features in connection with the student body at State is the interest manifested in the general condition of the college grounds. Just a gentle reminder at this early date in regard to this matter does not seem out of place. Frost has descended upon us again and the grass in and about the campus should be protected. We may as well start early and become accustomed to the walks so that the habit of "cutting campus" may not be so hard to rid ourselves of later on. Naturally it is a source of temptation to take short cuts but with the many new walks there is no appreciable difference in distance from one place to another, as far as it concerns crossing the grass and keeping on the walks. If each man will make it a rule to keep off the grass himself and, in a gentlemanly manner, advise others to do the same no hardship would be suffered by anyone and in the spring our campus would seem much more beautiful than ever before.

A Correction.

The announcement in the Collegian of last week of the reception to be given by President and Mrs. Edwin Eric Sparks on Friday, Oct. the fourteenth should have read to include the new members of the faculty as well as the senior class.

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS

To the "Constitution of the Pennsylvania State Athletic Association, Submitted to the Student Body.

Proposed Amendments to the Constitution of the Athletic Association.

At a meeting of the Alumni Advisory Committee held at the College on July 11, 12, and 13 1910, certain amendments to the constitution of the Athletic Association were proposed, and are hereby submitted to the student body for their consideration. These amendments will be voted on at a meeting of the Athletic Association Monday, October 31, at which time nominations for the three assistant General Athletic Managers will be in order. The amendments are here presented as proposed by the committee, and with each item are given their reasons for proposing the change or addition.

Revision of Sec. 2, Article VIII: (Football Department). "The Association shall, on the second Saturday after Thanksgiving, elect three assistant managers from the Sophomore Class".

Under the present constitution there is a period from Thanksgiving, until May, when the student manager has no assistants. This period is a vital one to a good schedule, as by May 1st football schedules should be completed, and not only provides for no aid to the manager but prevents the assistants from getting an insight into the most important managerial duties.

Revision of last paragraph, Sec. 4, Article VIII:—(Football Dept) "On the second Saturday after Thanksgiving the Executive Committee shall select a student manager from the three assistants".

By making this election on a set day it precludes any possibility of delay which could occur under the present rule.

We would also call your attention to what is evidently a proof reader's error. The present constitution (1908 edition) indicates in no place how the student managers shall be selected. The original draft provided for this, and as the Association has been acting under the rule we have inserted "the Executive Committee shall select, etc."

Revision Sec. 2, Article IX: (Baseball Department) "The Association shall, on the second Monday in May elect three assistant managers from the Sophomore class who, until after the commencement following their election, will be called "Assistant Managers Elect".

The same general reasons apply for this change as given above under foot ball department. The assistant managers thus elected are styled "Assistant Managers Elect" to avoid confusion with the assistant managers serving at the time of the May election.

Revision of last paragraph, Sec. 4, Article IX:—(Baseball Dept) "The Executive Committee shall, no later than the last day of commencement, select a student manager from the three assistants".

Same reasons apply here as for football department

Revision of Sec. 2, Article X (Gen'l Ath. Dept) "The Association shall, on the second Monday in May elect three assistant managers from the Sophomore class who, until after the commencement following their election, shall be called "Assistant Managers Elect".

Same reason apply as for football department

Revision of last paragraph, Sec. 4, Article XI:—(Gen'l Ath. Dept) "The Executive Committee shall, no later than the last day of commencement, select a student manager from three assistants".

Same reason apply for football department

Create a new Article in Constitution headed "Regulations applying to all departments".

Sec. 1. A member of an athletic team will be charged with all equipment he receives, and he must return it to the student manager of his department at the end of the season in which it is given. The student managers will keep a record of all equipment given out and will be responsible to the Graduate Manager for equipment in his department. Any man failing to comply with this rule will be suspended from further participation in college athletics, and in the case of "S" men will not be awarded the varsity letter.

An exception to this rule will be made in the case of Seniors who will be permitted to retain their uniforms, and in the case of baseball men of the three lower classes who may retain their uniforms during the summer only.

Sec. 2. No student shall be eligible to any athletic team who owes money for his share of the training table expenses of a previous team.

The two sections above are designed to eliminate unnecessary drains on the funds of the Association. Such excesses as we hope to prevent by these rules are not only costly, but foster the professional spirit that we are all so desirous of keeping out of college sport. The highest type of college athlete is in the game for what he can get out of it in a material way. This is especially so in a non-tutorial school like ours. Our athletic activities depend on the student body entirely for support, and not on any endowed fund. Accordingly it is necessary that we be watchful of our finances and that our athletes be fair to their supporters.

Sec. 3. The travelling expenses of members of athletic teams will be paid only when travelling with their teams, or under the direction of the physical trainer.

This rule is for the purpose of keeping out teams intact on the road in order that they shall have the same continual training attention as when at home. The effect of training of an entire team can be annulled by the practice which this rule hopes to prevent. There is too much money and attention spent on physical condition to have it so easily dissipated.

Sec. 4. The election of the captain and manager of any athletic team shall be subject to ratification by the Alumni Advisory Committee; and this Committee may remove a captain or manager for good cause, and shall provide for the vacancy so created.

The present constitution provides no definite protection against inefficient captains and managers. The finances of the association and proper conduct of our teams should be guarded.

In addition to the above we are submitting to the Faculty Committee an Athletics following addition to Article XII, on "Eligibility".

Sec. 2. No student shall represent the College in any sport more than four years.

Sec. 3. Post graduate students are not eligible to represent the College in any intercollegiate contests.

Sec. 4. No student entering the Penn State college from any other college or university shall be eligible to participate in intercollegiate contests, until he shall have been in residence one full academic year.

Sec. 4a. A new student, to be eligible for any branch of intercollegiate sport, must be enrolled on or before October 8th of the academic year in which he desires to participate.

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