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Be a Gentleman.

It is with regret that we have to suggest to a man to be a gentleman, but still we feel that it is our duty to call the attention of the fellows to the careless habits we so easily fall into. Observe, if you will, at the next class or chapel exercise you attend, how many fellows get almost to their seats before removing their hats or caps. You may say that this is a little, insignificant matter that needs no correction, not even a thought. But be generous enough to give it a thought this time and you will plainly see what the consequences are.

Habit is the easiest thing in the world to fall into and having fallen in, it is one of the most difficult things in the world to climb out of. After four years of practice at a certain habit, it generally becomes a permanent one. Now every one with brains, an employer prefers a gentleman. How much chance for a position would a man have who entered the office of his prospective employer with his hat on, and who kept it on till he saw fit to remove it?

Then, again, suppose that some man should drop into our chapel exercises some morning, and notice, as he probably would, how many fellows go parading down the aisles with their hats or caps on. Undoubtedly he would not be very favorably impressed with such a performance, and this one impression would possibly tend to offset all the good ones he had received during his visit here.

We cannot be too careful about the kind of impressions we make and the sort of habits we fall into. Every one of us has been trained to act as a gentleman. Then let us live up to our training.

"Prep" School Insignia.

During the past few weeks our attention has been called by several prominent upper classmen to the great amount of "Prep" school insignia—jerseys, sweaters and pins, which may be seen adorning the breasts of some of the fellows. The freshmen are more guilty in this respect than are the members of the three upper classes, and naturally so for they are the last to be graduated from preparatory schools. However after a man has been here a while he begins to loose his "prep" school ideas and customs, and those little things on which he was guilty but a short

time before now seem obvious to him.

This year more than ever before there seems to be a tendency on the part of a large number of underclassmen to buck their heels in the valuated colors of their respective preparatory schools. Now if these men will only stop long enough to think that they are in "prep" school no more but on the other hand have entered a real, living college, nothing more will need to be said about this matter.

We would not leave the impression that we are in any way prejudiced against preparatory school insignia. Far be such an idea from our minds. But we do believe that there are places for everything and that college is not the place for displaying "prep" school accumulations.

Stand Up to Cheer.

At the last two games on New Beaver field, it was most noticeable that the students stood up to give their cheers and the marked difference resulting from this feature made itself quite evident in the quality of the cheering. It is not necessary that the success of every yell given should depend on the nature of the position of the student body when giving it, but occasionally when a good strong cheer is needed, it is certainly worth standing for, and if each man could hear it and realize the difference in the strength of the yells, it would not require any reasoning.

At the game last week there was some little dissention from the undergraduates in the grandstand, when the cheer leader asked the men to stand up and cheer. A criticism here, is quite unnecessary. Just stop one moment and bring yourself to realize that the eleven men you are watching on the field, do not sit down at all and when the signal for play is called there is no dissent. Now, fellows, while those men are playing the game on the field, let us play it in the grandstands and when the cheer leader gives our signal, "All up," make it strong, do not hesitate but stand up and let the spirit be what it should be.

The Band Helps.

In spite of the fact that last Saturday's game did not mark any particular epoch in our football history, the display of spirit by the undergraduates was by far the best that has been seen on Beaver field this year. To be just and give credit when credit is due, the band was the distinct factor which was instrumental in bringing about this much hoped for show of enthusiasm and henceforth at every game we hope to see the State musicians contribute their support in a similar way. Undoubtedly music has its effect every where in one form or another, not only does it stir up the crowds in the bleachers, but its influence invades the playing field and rouses the players to their utmost efforts there. In a word, the band is indispensable and with the future games on State territory, we earnestly hope to see it found in the grandstand in its customary place, ready to assist in keeping our enthusiasm and spirit at the highest pitch.

All is Froth in Froth.

We wish that we might emphasize more strongly the necessity of a strong delegation at the Pennsylvania game on Saturday. At the rate which has been obtained from the railroad, the trip can be made at a very reasonable cost. If any member of the team is asked as to the inspiration which comes from the ringing cheers of a strong band of "rooters" the sentiment will be unanimous. Many a victory has been won by the support of the loyal State men along the side lines, and if the team can receive such support in this game the prospects are good for a victory in this, the first important contest of the season.

A Letter From the Press Club.

Editor State Collegian:—
Dear Sir—The purpose of the Penn State Press club is to send legitimate news of the college to the leading papers, in the State. The most of these papers, prefer news of the affairs in which the students from their own county are concerned. Now, the best men to report this news are the men from the same county, for they can keep in touch with the students from that county and know better what they are doing. Besides this, many of the editors have refused to print news from here saying that we have nothing to interest their readers. It is the same county students that can best prove to these editors that we have news that will interest them. Hence the club proposes to have representatives from the county clubs to take up this matter with their editors and correspond for them. Last year we requested the county clubs to elect men to join the club and do this for their county papers but, although many did so, no notice was given the club of their actions and it does not know who these men are. Would you please request in your paper that the county clubs elect representatives and report them to the secretary of the club, L. W. VanBusirk. Those clubs which have already elected should report the same.

There is a report that the faculty has appointed a censor to pass upon all the news that students send out to papers. This is a mistake. Any one is at liberty to send news away but the club desires that all press representatives should join so that it can keep in touch with their work and give them all the aid possible.

Hoping that you will bring this to your readers attention, I remain,
Very truly yours,
A. B. Zeiby, President.

"State" Represented.

"State" had two representatives at the recent meeting of the Keystone State Library association. Miss Gray, of the Agricultural Library took part in the organization of an educational section, and the college library was honored in the election of the Librarian, Dr. Runkle, as vice-president of the State Association for the year 1910-'11.

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