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**Track House** During the past **Renovation** week, a much needed improvement has been made in the furnishings of the track house. For the past few years the old building has not been properly kept up, mainly on account of a lack in funds, and this year found the rooms and floors in a most deplorable condition. Recently there has been so much discussion of the matter that it appeared absolutely impossible to longer refrain from making the necessary improvements. The athletic association immediately acted on the best of a number of suggestions and the outcome of these has resulted in a most thorough renovation.

It is strikingly important that the quarters of the college athletes should be fully as comfortable as the best of the dormitories, and every step should be taken to attain this project. It is further apparent that a great number of students, who make the track house a loafing apartment, should be more considerate of the welfare of its inmates. Those men have to do more work than the average student and their time is particularly valuable to them for this reason. If a man has business to transact in the building, let him go there and attend to it, but to use it merely as a place to kill time is entirely wrong and assuredly should be abolished.

Keep this in mind now that the base ball season is approaching and every varsity man is needed on the trips. Let them attend to their work without interruption, so that they may be able to keep up in their class work and their records will be unquestioned at the time scheduled for the baseball trips.

**The Football** In another column Schedule will be found the varsity football schedule for 1911 and it is indeed one that is in every way worthy of Penn State. In every instance, the Blue and White combats teams of colleges and universities that will give her athletic prestige and the card of games is unquestionably complete. It is most gratifying to see the old familiar names of Cornell, Navy and Gettysburg back on the list and the addition of Colgate and others makes a hard combination for us to handle.

The schedule has been cautiously made out, however, the games having been arranged to lead up to a crisis and thus enable the team to gradually train up for bigger games.

All in all, it is entirely satisfactory and should find equal favor among the students and the alumni.

**The Penn State** A more remarkable exhibition of true college spirit will never be found than that demonstrated by the student body at the wrestling meet with Lehigh on last Saturday night.

Fifteen hundred students loyally cheered the Penn State and Lehigh men with equal vehemence and the reception to the visiting team in the armory was most cordial and friendly in every detail. In victory or defeat both contesting teams shared in the appreciation of the student body. When Dr. Drinker, president of Lehigh University came into the armory, the great student body arose in a mass and greeted him with a ringing cheer. Lusty cheers for President Sparks, Mrs. Sparks and Mrs. Drinker followed in quick succession, thus recording in college history an event which probably has no predecessor in the annals of any university. In a word it was a spectacle that will not be forgotten and in giving credit where it is rightly due, the Penn State student body deserve the warmest praise for their generous and thoughtful act.

**Next Meet at Yale.**

After their victory over Lehigh last Saturday night, the wrestling team, encouraged by its success, is putting every effort forward to make the meet with Yale on Feb. 24 at New Haven, a repetition of the recent meet with Lehigh. In Yale a formidable foe will be met. Last Saturday they defeated the Navy wrestlers, winning four bouts, all of which were given to that team on superior form and aggressiveness, while Navy secured the only two decisive falls in the match.

State will be seriously handicapped by the absence of Captain Diehl whose injury, received in his bout Saturday night, will keep him from the mat for the remainder of the season. Morrison, who has been wrestling in the 145 pound class will probably be able to train down to the 135 pound weight, and thus take Capt. Diehl's place. Even then the 145 pound class will be well taken care of by Karcher, Fulkman, Bogar, or Knapper, any of whom will be able to give a good account of himself. At any rate, the wrestling team, with any of these men representing it, will put up a good fight for a victory with the experienced Yale grapplers.

**Forestry Notes.**

The School of Agriculture has assigned to the Forestry School a plot of ground to be used for nursery purposes. The area, lying to the west of the Forestry building, is well suited for the purpose, as it is level, and the soil conditions are good. The department has ordered a large number of Year-old Conifer seedlings for transplanting, and they will be set out as soon as conditions are favorable. The nursery will be kept in excellent condition, and is expected to aid in bettering the approach to the athletic field from that side.

At the Corn Show recently held in Columbus, Ohio, the United States Forest Service was represented by Mr. Zon, who lectured on forestry subjects of general interest. His talks were well attended, and the farmers present were greatly interested in the discussions on the economic relations of Forestry.

Why is an olive? See first page.

**Address by Mr. Fred C. Keighley.**

The address given by Mr. Fred C. Keighley, to the Engineering society of the School of Mines, on Wednesday evening, Feb. 8, was one of the most interesting that has been given this year.

Mr. Keighley is the superintendent of the mines of the Oliver and Snyder Steel company, located at Oliver, Fayette county. He has been connected with coal mining work for forty years, starting in as a mule driver, and has passed through practically every step to his present position. He has been assistant engineer, fire boss, mine inspector, engineer, superintendent, and finally general manager.

His lecture dealt with the problems met with in his experience, and described the operations of the mines with which he is connected, at the present time. The lecture was illustrated by maps which were remarkable for their size, one being fully fifteen by twenty feet, showing the entire workings of his company. The lecture was thoroughly practical, very instructive, entertaining and interesting, and was thoroughly enjoyed by the members of the Society.

**Lecture by Prof. James H. Breasted.**

The lecture given by Professor James Henry Breasted on Saturday night in the Auditorium was very well attended, and most acceptably given. His subject "Camp and Caravan on the Ethiopian Nile", was treated in a way that made it not only instructive, but highly interesting as well. In order to accomplish their purpose of exploring fully the ancient ruins and tombs, the members of his party were forced to undergo strange adventures and, at times, harsh privations. The journey through the land, formed by the "S" of the Nile, made by caravan and boat furnished peculiar and interesting events at all times. Prof. Breasted's description of the trip through the third cataract of the Nile was particularly fine. The pictures were exceedingly good, and were well selected to give a broad interesting impression of the region.

**Alumni.**

The following articles were taken from the news Bulletin of the U. S. Coast Geodetic survey.

On Jan. 3, L. M. Fisher, Aid, was ordered to the steamer "Gedney". The "Gedney" is on chart revision work in Puget sound.

On Jan. 20, C. D. Clark, Aid attached to the steamer "Endeavor", was promoted. The "Endeavor" is making a complete resurvey of Mobjack Bay, Va. and the rivers that empty into it. Mobjack Bay is on the western side of Chesapeake Bay about twenty miles north of Norfolk, Va.

Both are 1910 men and their permanent address is Washington, D. C., in care of U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey.

About 35 men attended an informal dinner given recently by the Bellefonte local organization. The main object of the gathering was to plan for a formal banquet to be held soon at the Country Club.

John Stuart Romig, '07, who was formerly with the West Jersey and Seashore R. R. has accepted a position as Assistant Engineer with the Pennsylvania R. R. at Altoona.

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