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Needs for Alumni Interest The columns of the Penn State Collegian have become noticeably bare of alumni news and it is the wish of the editorial staff to remedy the deficiency in some adequate manner. Manifestly, the only means of accomplishing this, is through the direct communication of the graduates themselves and without their support, conditions cannot be satisfactorily bettered.

Some difficulty has been encountered in the past, owing to the inability of the staff to decipher illegible writing, but this occurs very seldom and the main factor in the argument is that the alumni have not sent in such facts concerning themselves as should be published. It is true that the new Alumni Quarterly very thoroughly narrates all alumni news, but as that publication is confined exclusively to the men out of College, the present students do not share its benefits. Their only source of information is the College paper, and general interest in the activities of the alumni is as strong in the student body as it is among the alumni themselves.

We ask you, therefore, to aid us in the movement to secure alumni news and mail your communications direct to the State Collegian. It will find its way to print in the following issue and you will be giving the paper something of which it is in great need.

The Senior Cotillion The Senior Cotillion last week was attended so enthusiastically, that it has undoubtedly established itself as a permanent custom for the senior class. The lack of strong upper-class customs at Penn State makes it necessary to inaugurate new features from time to time that will be of lasting duration. The present senior class is deserving of warm praise for the institution of this particularly agreeable form of a new custom and without doubt it will be successfully carried on in future years by each of the coming senior classes.

Penn State at Cornell The successful wrestling team will meet Cornell on Friday night at Ithaca in the last meet of the season. The Blue and White team has done such creditable work this season that little fear is felt for their welfare in Cornellian territory.

Undoubtedly the Penn State team is made up of championship material as is clearly shown by the successive victories over Lehigh, Yale

and Columbia, and if Cornell be added to this list, our record will be one to be envied by every college in the country. Unfortunately, Pennsylvania could not be scheduled this year but the management fully expects to have the Red and Blue on the 1912 card.

The Pharsonian Trip.

The Pharsonians begin their annual spring tour on March 13, opening the week's performances with a show at Wilson College, Chambersburg. From there the college minstrels will give performances on successive evenings at the following towns: March 14, Wilks-Barre; 15th, Bloomsburg; 16th, Danville; and the final one will take place at Sunbury on the 17th.

From the character of the show and the success which attended its initial performance, the Pharsonians should play to a large audience at each of the above places. There has been a constant desire to put a good, clean, original, up to date Minstrel Show on the road, and it is certain that that standard has been attained.

Nelson, Ludwick, Guthrie, and Leyden will continue to hold down their positions as end men, who, with those giving the specialties, and the men in the chorus, will cause merriment for the most pessimistic. The entire show will be staged the same as when produced on Washington's Birthday with the probable addition of some local hits on the town in which the performance is given. The college orchestra will accompany the troupe on this trip, so that under the guidance of Director Couch, every detail will run smoothly. It is hoped by the management that this will be the most successful season the organization has ever had.

Gaskell Lectures to Foresters.

Mr. Alfred E. Gaskell, State Forester of New Jersey, gave a most interesting talk on Thursday evening in the assembly room of the Agricultural Building on the subject "How a State is Protecting Her Forests From Fire." Mr. Gaskell described the legislation which has been passed to prevent fires, the organization of the state forest service, and the means of fire fighting used by the state, the railroads, and by private property holders. His illustrations were from photographs showing the conditions as they exist in New Jersey compared with similar conditions in European countries. Mr. Gaskell is largely responsible for the building up of the system which gives New Jersey the best protection of any state in the country; and his description of the workings of the system was instructive and entertaining. He also addressed the upper class Foresters on Friday morning on the opportunities that are open in their kind of work. His entire visit was a source of pleasure to all who heard him talk at the various places.

Alumni Notes.

Wm. Guise, '08, of Spokane, Wash., visited the college from Feb. 23rd to the 27th.

The Schenectady Branch of the Alumni Association are laying plans for a dinner to be held in March, Dr. Sparks is expected to attend.

The annual dinner of the Pittsburgh Alumni promises to be a great event. It will be held on March 8, and accommodations have been arranged for 300 guests. Dr. Sparks, Prof. Jackson, Prof. Agee, and other men of the college are expected. Communicate with Penn State men near you with the view to securing a large representation. The cost of the dinner will be \$2.50 per plate. It is earnestly desired that those who wish to attend write A. K. Little, 1010 Park Bld'g., Pitts-

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burg, Pa., as the committee cannot complete arrangements until it is known how many will be present.

Sophomores Defeat Juniors.
The Sophomores defeated the Juniors on Tuesday night, Feb. 28 by the score of 27-25. The game was close throughout, first one and then the other team taking the lead. The score was tied at 25 just a few seconds before the final whistle when Rogers brought victory to the Sophomores by a goal from the field. This game practically gives the Sophomores the league championship. Armsby, Karcher, and Rogers played the last game. Field Goals—James 4, Armsby 4, Rogers 4, Karcher 3, Coupe 1, Maybee 3, Knerr 2, Murphy 1, Aikens 2, Loveridge 1. Foul Goals—Armsby 1, Knerr 1. Umpire—McNeill

League Standing

	Won	Lost	P. C.
1913	6	1	.858
1911	2	3	.400
1912	2	3	.400
1914	1	4	.200

Change in C. E. Faculty.
The place recently left vacant by the resignation of Mr W. C. Muehlstein, who left to accept a position with the University of Washington at Seattle, will be filled by Mr. J. S. Crandell.

Mr. Crandell is a graduate of New York University, receiving his B.S. degree in 1904 and his C. E. degree in 1906. He was with the New York Central for a number of years and later had charge of the Manual training work in the New York public schools.

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