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**The Right Among the Customs of Way.** Penn State which have been upheld in the past, and which should still maintain a place in our college life, is one relating to the right of way on the campus walks. As all of the older men in college know, and as all new men should know by this time, precedence is given by every man to the men of all classes above his own, and by seniors, as well as all underclassmen, to members of the faculty. In the past few weeks there has been a marked reluctance on the part of underclassmen, two-year men, and short course men, to live up to this rule; and numerous disputes have been caused by their refusal to yield the right of way. The question is doubly important at this time of year because of the deep snow at the sides of the walks.

It is an inconvenience, of course, for men in any class to yield the walks and take to the snow. But when the men travel in groups from one building to another there is no other way possible; and as all rulings in regard to college customs create distinctions in favor of upperclassmen it is the duty of underclassmen to afford passage room. First and second two year men are ranked as freshmen and sophomores, and should act accordingly; while short course men should follow the freshmen in order of precedence. A mere hint, to refresh our memories in regard to the custom, should be sufficient to stop further trouble on the walks.

**Hospital Benefit.**

On March 29 Mr. George C. Williams will present to the people of State College one of his interpretative recitals, "The Shepherd of the Hills." Mr. Williams has had a wide experience in interpretative recitals, Shakespearian programs and Bible readings. The recital is under the auspices of the Hospital committee of the Woman's Club, for the benefit of the hospital.

The gymnasium work of the women students of the college will be in charge of Mr. Lewis during this semester, and will be carried on in the gymnasium in the Woman's Building. On account of the lack of room here, next year probably during certain hours of certain days, the armory gymnasium will be turned over to the young ladies for their physical education.

**Letter From China.**

The following letter has been received from Mr. F. E. Wilber, Hongkong, China, and will prove of interest to the students at this college on account of the relation existing between them and the Y. M. C. A. work in that country:

"I had the good fortune to visit the Canton Christian College last Saturday, and I want to write at once to back up any efforts that State may be making to further the support of that college. I surely hope that Groff is planning to return to that college, for then I suppose there will be no question but that State will continue to help on in the work at Canton. But even should Groff transfer his energies elsewhere, you will do well to think twice before you transfer your gifts elsewhere. Of course, I am supposing that you will continue to give, as to me it seems as necessary a part of State's work to give for foreign work as it does to send deputations to Pennsylvania schools. Also I am supposing that you are not planning some other work to which you will accord your support.

The Canton Christian College impresses me as being one of the most promising institutions of learning in the world I say that advisedly. They have a location that would be hard to beat, a splendid site overlooking river, plains and distant hills: Canton only a few miles away—one of the biggest cities of the world—and the unquestioned business metropolis of all China. They will have little trouble in finding students even when the government schools begin to offer an adequate education, which will not be for some years.

The Canton trustees have one of the broadest and liveliest sets of plans you can imagine, both for building and for curriculum. The money that they have received has been spent not on a large number of inferior buildings to meet immediate needs (as is so frequently the case, even in good old Pennsylvania) but on splendid concrete, modern halls, built to stand for a century, and equipped with carefully chosen and finely made equipment for teaching of all kinds. Their physical, mechanical and chemical laboratories are small, but very well planned, and well equipped for elementary work.

"And the staff of men that one finds at the college is an impressive commentary on the carefulness and wisdom of the trustees. Picked men, well adapted for their work, well trained in our leading universities, and enthusiastic to a degree.

"I suppose that Groff has told you of the possibilities of development in agriculture in south China. Not in intensive cultivation; hard to beat the Chinese at that; but in extensive work and more sanitary and cleanly methods. If the college should acquire the land near the river that it hopes to get, it would make an ideal experiment station. And wouldn't it be a fine thing for State to be behind such a station?

"My own place for work is uncertain. At present I am in charge of the European Y. M. C. A. in Hongkong, awaiting the arrival of the permanent secretary in March. After that time I will proceed somewhere for further study of the language, tho I can nothing more definite than somewhere. Those victories on the gridiron caused a large celebration in one room in Hongkong; so glad the fellows got to Penn at last.

"Regards to the men. Believe me, sincerely your friend and States.  
"F. E. WILBER."

**Commencement Speaker.**

Dr. Newell Dwight Hillis, of Brooklyn, has accepted the invitation to deliver the Commencement address here on June 12. Dr. Hillis is one of the greatest orators in the country, and the college is very fortunate in securing him as a speaker.

The School of Engineering, in cooperation with the State Highway Department, intends to perform a series of experiments testing the strain caused by heavy wagons passing over earthcovered culverts, and determining what material should be used in constructing such culverts.

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**FOOTBALL SCHEDULE APPROVED**

W. and J., Carnegie Tech and Ohio State Added to Schedule.

At a meeting of the Penn State Athletic Committee held on January 30, the 1912 football card as prepared by Manager Kerr was approved. It will be seen that Colgate, Geneva, S. Bonaventure, Navy, and Villanova have been dropped from the schedule and the following additions made:

Washington and Jefferson, Carnegie Tech, and Ohio State University.

A pleasing feature of the schedule is the renewing of athletic relations with Washington and Jefferson College, and the game with the Red and Black team will undoubtedly be the best and most interesting of the home encounters.

Penn State has met the Washington eleven twice during the past ten years and was victorious in both games.

Ohio State and Penn State will meet for the first time in the histories of these two state institutions and the game bids fair to attract a great deal of attention in the East and Middle West. A home game will be arranged for November 9, but at present nothing definite can be said as to who will be State's opponent on this date.

Princeton refused to offer State a date, while games could not be satisfactorily arranged with Dartmouth's and Brown:

The schedule follows:  
October 5, Penn State vs. Cranegie Tech, at State College.  
October 12, Penn State vs. W. & J., at State College.  
October 19, Penn State vs. Cornell, at Ithaca, N. Y.  
October 26, Penn State vs. Gettysburg, at State College.  
November 2, Penn State vs. Penn. a. Philadelphia  
November 9, open, at State College.

November 16, Penn State vs. Ohio State, at Columbus, O.  
November 28, Penn State vs. Pittsburg, at Pittsburg.

**WE WONDER**

If we are not looking forward with great interest to the wrestling meets.

If it is not the duty of each and every one of us to buy season tickets for the interclass basketball games.

If, too, directories of the students in Old Main and in McAllister Hall would not be highly appreciated.

If every member of the faculty and every student should not make an effort to attend the orchestra concert on Saturday night.

Why we cannot always sing our Alma Mater with the same spirit as we sang it on Friday night at the game.

If, however, we should not try to get more life into our cheering so that we shall be prepared for coming events.

If we were not extremely fortunate in having such workers as Elliott, Wright, Mercer and Mr. and Mrs. Huston to introduce the Men and Religion Forward Movement at Penn State.

How many of us have taken advantage of the many excellent opportunities offered by this movement.

If voluntary contributions at Sunday chapel exercises will not bring good results.

If some of us showed perfectly good spirit toward our wrestlers at the trials on Saturday afternoon.

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