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THURSDAY, MAY 2, 1912

Our Baseball

ter Manning took Team. charge of the material that was to represent Penn State on the baseball diamond this spring, the outlook was not very bright. However with the season half over and with eight victories out of ten regularly scheduled games played so far, exclusive of the Maryland game, including a victory over Princeton University, Penn State has a team this year that will surely go down in history as a winning combination.

So far the greatest victory that Captain Eberlein's nine have scored was at Princeton last Wednesday when "Big Bob" Whitney pitched the best game of his college career and allowed a team, that has not been defeated this year to score but one run. Penn State has been victorious in baseball contests with the Orange and Black six times since 1898, winning games in 1899, 1904, . 1905, 1906, 1908 and 1912.

The varsity has certainly set a fast pace the last two weeks. Pitchers Whitney and Wardwell are both in good condition; the infield is fielding like a machine, as was shown in the Princeton game when 14 putouts and 11 assists were made without a slipup; Henderson is doing good work behind the bat; and the outfield is composed of three sure fielders and men who are dangerous at bat and on the bases at all times. The most noteworthy feature of our games thus far, in addition to excellent coaching received, is the fact that every play er is working with all his might toward unison and for the success of the team as a whole.

The support given the team thus far has, to some degree, been very indifferent. A baseball victory over Princeton is not a yearly matter-of-course happening, yet when our victorious team returned from Princeton last Thursday no demonstration of any kind was given in acknowledgment of appreciation from the student body. In fact we are ashamed to say there were several "hearty-supporters" at the Dickinson game, three days later, who learned for the first time that Penn State had even played a game on Wednesday. The indifference has further been shown by poor attendance at the games played on New Beaver Field and the almost total lack of enthusiasm shown in cheering. How very different was the spirit shown last fall.

Election of the Editorial Board.

One sophomore and two freshmen will be added to

the editorial staff of the Penn State Collegian at the election next Wednesday evening.

SOCCER FOOTBALL

Reasons Why Association (Soccer) Football Should be Encouraged.

At a meeting of the National Collegiate Athletic Association December 28, 1911, a committee including W. T. Garcelon, Chairman, Harvard; Dr. Page, Phillips Academy; Dr. Naismith, University of Kansas; H. E. Ford, Washington and Jefferson; Dr. McKenzie, University of Pennsylvania, and Dr. Babbitt, Secretary, Haverford College, was appointed to encourage the extension of the game of soccer football and this committee is desirous of assisting or advising anyone who wishes it.

A list of ten reasons why the soccer football game should be encouraged is given as follows:-

- 1. It may be safely played by boys in Grammar and High Schools, by college students or graduates.
- 2. A long season of conditioning is not necessary, although of course, condition and skill count.
- 3. An expensive outfit for players is unnecessary, the game being played in loose shirt, running pants and heavy boots.
- 4. While the regulation field is desirable, grounds of any reasonable size may be used.
- 5. The game is strenuous and sometimes rough, but it does not have the more serious dangers attending football.
- 6. Light and heavy men play each other without danger. A skillful player weighing 125 pounds can outplay an inexperienced one weighing 190 pounds.
- 7. The rules are simple and plain.
- 8. The season of play: (a) All winter in many localities. (c) Early spring and fall everywhere, engaging men not playing football.
- 9. It interests a class of boys not interested in or vigorous for major sports, so called.
- 10. To develop men all around, or to keep athletes in condition, it is valuable.

Baltimore

The movement of forming orates have located in nearly all sections of the United States and several organizations at different places have recently taken place.

On April 19th. Penn State men in and about Baltimore met and spent a most enjoyable evening together at the New Howard Hotel. This has been the second attempt to get alumni together in this locality, although there are eighteen men in the city of Baltimore. At a meeting which will be held early in May, ing which will be held early in May, game will be played during com-a permaent organization will be form- mencement week.

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ed. The men present were, W. F. Strouse, '87; W. P. Beyerle, '99; W. M. Schnure, '01; N. Higgens, '09; "Pete" Braun, '10; R. B. Clapp; '11; and E. H. Metzger, '11.

Interclass Soccer Football.

In another column of this issue will be seen the large number of advantages of the soccer football Loyal Sons of Penn State Gather at game, which advantages should be an inducement for men to become interested in this sport. The three ganizations among the alumni of lower classes have entered into a Penn State is growing. Our gradu- class league which opens this Saturday. Candidates for the junior team should see Stewart while candidates for the other two teams should report to their respective class managers, Rudy '14 and Munhall '15. The schedule fol-

May 4, '13 vs. '15. May 9, '14 vs. '15. May 15, '13 vs. '14. May 18, '13 vs. '15. May 22, '14 vs. '15. May 25, '13 vs. '14.

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