

Here's hoping you all passed the exams and that we may have the pleasure of seeing you often.

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### OLD FORT HAS A LONG HISTORY Settlers Fought Indians on Site of Interesting Hotel

Two volumes have recently been received at the library entitled "Frontier Forts of Pennsylvania." One contains the following description of the "Old Fort" which was located near Center Hill about twelve miles east of State College. Students frequently make "trikes" to the Old Fort and a description of it may be of interest.

"This fort was built by Col James Potter, in the year 1777, and was situated on an elevation a little north of the present 'Old Fort Hotel,' and is near the Lewisburg and Tyrone railroad about nine miles southeast of Bellefonte. There is a spring near the site of the fort, where General Potter built a cabin when prospecting for land in 1773.

The fort and the stockade including the spring according to John B Linn, was built in 1777. It was subsequently occupied as a tavern by Stephen H. Smith. In 1825, when the turnpike was made, J and I Potter built a stone tavern on the turnpike a short distance from the old one, which stands at this present time, and which has always gone by the name of "The Old Fort Hotel." In the erection of the frame house which stands really on its site, or close to it, there were dug up a number of relics. It is in Potter township, Center county, and was occupied in July, 1778, by Captain Finley's company of Col Brodhead's command, for a few weeks and two of his soldiers were killed there by the Indians.

Sometime after the treaty of 1763, James Potter, afterwards a brigadier general under Washington, came up the west branch of Bald Eagle creek to seek the choice lands he crossed the Nittany mountain at Logan's Gap, and for the first time set his eyes upon the lovely Penn's Valley, afterwards his happy home. No traveler who has crossed that mountain on the road from Bellefonte to Lewistown can forget the impression made by a glance from the mountain into that luxuriant valley, spread out before him like a map, checked with its squares of woodland and fertile farms, with their cheerful white cottages. After reconnoitering the valley, he descended Penn's creek, in a canoe, and returned again, took up a large body of land, made a settlement there, and erected a stockade fort. This fort was not only seen near Mt Coy's Tavern, which stands at the intersection of the Bellefonte and Lewistown turnpike with the Penn's Valley and Northumberland road. The corners still bear the name of Potter's Fort, and many rich farms about it belong to the Potter family; although their principal residence is at Potter's bank, four miles further south. There is a tradition that near Potter's Fort there occurred a desperate fight between two white men and two Indians, in which they grappled and cut each other to pieces, the whole four having been killed.

The site of the "Old Fort" was a short distance from the southern line of the borough of Center Hill, less than one-eighth mile on the turnpike leading from Bellefonte to Lewistown. It was built on an eminence that commanded a view of the surrounding country and from which the approach of Indians could be seen. Here the early settlers found shelter from the eastern and western parts of the Valley, when Indians made incursions into the valley. Settlers from the lower end, now Haines township, came to the fort in times of danger, a distance of eighteen miles. Indian raids were frequent and a number of whites were killed at various times, at that early day. The fort was built of logs, and some of the corner stones of the foundation are yet to be

seen. Within the fort was a house used as a dwelling; this was erected first, and thereafter, when safety required a place of refuge, the log enclosure was built around the house, so as to answer the purposes of a fort. The farm upon which this fort is located is now owned by Captain John P Taylor, of Millin county.

"Pete" Mauths Member of Alumni Athletic Committee. Mr J Lester Mauths, 13, more familiarly known about college as "Pete" was recently appointed to serve the unexpired term of the late A C Read, '92 on the Alumni Advisory Committee. Mauths has kept in active relationship with the Athletic Activities of the College since graduation and his experience and knowledge of conditions at Penn State should make him a very serviceable member of the committee.

The committee now consists of G. R Meek, '90, Chairman, C W Heppner, '95, J H M Andrews, '95, V L Henry '07 and J. L. Mauths, '13.

#### INTERESTING FACTS OF INDIA TOLD BY NATIVE

A good sized audience was well entertained with an illustrated lecture on "India Today," in the auditorium last Saturday evening, given by Purushottam Bhikshoo Mityo, a native of that country who has been traveling and studying in the United States for the past four years. He attacked severely the attitude of Americans towards the Hindu, who is also of Aryan blood. He closed his talk by stating that mission work is not only a necessity among the natives of his country, but also with the 153 Hindus who live in the United States at the present time.

He showed many interesting slides of views and native life in India, and routed the belief of many Americans that Hindu mothers sacrifice their babies to the crocodiles of the Ganges. He said that the natives of India have no less than thirty-three million gods to worship.

**VISITORS ARE WELCOME.**  
Professor Pattee has announced that his class in American Literature since 1870 will be open to visitors at the times of meeting. The class meets on Monday and Tuesday at 4.30, and on Thursday at 10 o'clock on 111 Main Building.

**LECTURE AT SUMMER SCHOOL.**  
Announcement has been made that Professor F L Pattee, head of the English Department, has been chosen as a lecturer on American Literature at the University of Illinois summer school.

**NOTICE.**  
All 1917 men wishing to try out for the Editorial staff of the Penn State Farmer report at Room 206 Agricultural Building, Thursday 7 P M.

### PROFESSOR ERNESTI GIVES ART LECTURE

Tells "What is Good in Art, What is Bad And Why;" Everyone May Become an Artist

"What is Good in Art, What is Bad, and Why," was the subject discussed by Professor Ernesti in his lecture on art given in the Old Chapel last evening. Professor Ernesti thinks that all art is good in its broadest meaning, and with the aid of numerous illustrative slides he proceeded to show why it is good. Three types of art were illustrated—Industrial, by wall-paper,—Home work, by views of interiors,—and Artists' works, by paintings.

In his discussion Professor Ernesti said that art came first and science afterward. The great prophets, such as Michael Angelo and Raphael were followed by the art-scientists, and it is upon this science which art has been and must be built. The concept of art, as interpreted by Professor Ernesti, is "the best way of doing what is to be done." The best definition of art, as given in a recent local dispute, says that "every human work, made in any language or medium with the purpose of expressing or stirring human emotion, is a work of art."

As a second main point, the speaker explained that the reason why so many people have not found their way into art lies in the imitation of the work of old masters. There is sort of a traditional rush to Greek or Italian art when it is learned of any new and then certain of these works have been sold for \$135,000 or a sum of a like nature. Nevertheless, Mr Ernesti maintains that the old masters have their place in history of which no one can do without.

The last reason as to the "why" of bad art, is a result according to Professor Ernesti, of the foolish tradition that "artists are born, not made." He claims that everyone can become an artist but, of course, not a prophet. One need only to study the science of art which consists of three fundamental principles—line, mass and color. Line is the abstract thought or inspiration; masses are the definite scientific ratios which may be learned by rote and color which is self explanatory, exists in the universe everywhere. Badness in color is merely the result of thoughtless combination of colors, a defect which may generally be remedied by learning to harmonize.

#### SENIOR FORESTER GOES TO LINCOLN UNIVERSITY

Mr Charles Claxton, a senior in the Department of Forestry, has left college on leave of absence to accept a position as instructor in forestry at the Lincoln Memorial University, Cumberland Gap, Tennessee. The Honorable Henry S. Graves, Chief of the United States Forestry Service and a trustee of the Tennessee situation, is organizing the department of forestry to train men for forest rangers in the Appalachian Mountains. Mr Claxton will return to college next June in order to receive his degree.

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### Valuable Paintings Here

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two large new rooms in the west wing on the second floor of Old Main. Although not completely equipped yet, there are many new attractions, besides the paintings, which collectively make a valuable and interesting exhibit. There is a case of metals, among which are relics from almost every European Nation, a case of ceramics with specimens from Egypt, India, Mexico and other countries, a case of arms and weapons, some of which date back to the Thirty Years War, a case of Indian weapons and utensils and a case of student's handiwork. Besides these collections, Professor Ernesti is making a collection of models from various represented industries of Pennsylvania.

### Basketball Team on Trip

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in the game there. The Westinghouse Club is always made up of former players ability and a hard game can be looked forward to when State lines up against their team.

Long Floors Kiley, Manager Mason and Horran will take the trip. The final selection of the men has not yet been made but Walton, Binkeslee, Adam and Laubach are sure to go. The other three men will be selected from Fast, Wagner, Wilson, Hunter, Eicheleberger, and Moore.

### STUDENT COUNCIL PLANS TO REVISE CONSTITUTIONS

At a short meeting of the Student Council on the Wednesday preceding the final election a committee was appointed to revise the constitution of the Council in accordance with the present needs. It was also suggested that the constitutions of the various student organizations be revised, if necessary, and placed and published in book form. College spirit was discussed at some length and such policies as the adoption of more class scraps and the more strict enforcement of college customs to revive the old "spit" were unanimously approved. The question of removing hats in the Armory during all athletic activities was referred to the committee on College customs.

**CANTATA BY GIRLS.**  
Arrangements are being made for a cantata to be rendered by the Girls Chorus sometime in the near future. The selection and date have not been chosen as yet.

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### State Wrestlers Down Tech In The Opening Meet

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Mills Conquers Capt. Rounds. Captain Rounds, of the visiting team, was easily the most experienced opponent of the evening but even he found his match and better in Mills who threw the New Englander in 2 minutes and 17 seconds with a chancery and bar lock. Rounds started the festivities with much fight, while Mills waited for an opening. On coming to the mat, the over-aggressiveness of Rounds gave an opportunity which Mills quickly availed himself of. The Red and Grey leader found himself powerless upon his shoulders.

Long Floors Kiley. There is not much to be said about this bout for it started snappily and ended just as quickly. The decision was given perhaps a trifle hastily although there was no doubt as to the superiority of the State captain. The men came to the mat quickly in a rolling fall and, after eluding two holds, Kiley was finally caught with a combined neck and leg hold and was forced to admit defeat in 1 minute and 21 seconds.

Schultz and Nolan Win. The remainder of the bouts ended in decisions for the Blue and White matmen, both the 158 and 175 engagements lasting a full 3 minutes and being awarded to the home men on points. Schultz and Wirt were especially well matched, both fighting for the allotted period. Some good old fashioned "wrasling" was seen when Nolan and Todd rubbed heads, for the bout brought out a wealth of simple holds and squirming and a display of strength on the part of Nolan.

**GRADUATION FEE REDUCED.**  
The fee for college graduation was reduced from \$6.00 to \$4.00, by action of the board of trustees of the college at its meeting in Harrisburg last week. The steadily increasing size of the graduating class each year has made this possible.

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### GOV. BRUMBAUGH SPEAKS TO PENN STATE ALUMNI

On the night of January 23rd the Harrisburg Alumni held a banquet at which Governor Brumbaugh addressed 150 Penn State men. President Sparks, Alumni Secretary Ray Smith, President Mitchell, of the Board of Trustees, Dean Holmes, Dean Sackett and Dean Wattle also gave brief addresses. The occasion brought out one of the largest meetings of Penn State alumni that has ever been held.

#### DR. HECKEL CHAPEL SPEAKER

Dr. Oliver Heckel, of the Union Theological Seminary, New York City, will be the college speaker next Sunday. He comes with the recommendation of being a most forceful speaker. On Saturday evening he will address the Drama section of the Women's Club, in the assembly room of the Liberal Arts Building. He will speak on Wagner's "Lohengrin."

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\$30.00	Suit or Overcoat now	\$22.50
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