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### ONE WAY OUT OF IT

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In an attempt to find a solution to the problem of how more funds can be secured each year for appropriations by the Senior class in the crection of an acceptable memorial, one plan has come to us that seems to possess great merit It is a well known fact that this memorial fund each year consists of the remainder of the student damage deposit fund, and since it is purely a student fund, established for the protection of the college whose interests we are all so vitally concerned with, why could not this fund come under student supervision."

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There are many points in favor of a movement of this kind. The benefits as we see them, would be of sufficient magnitude to warrant student control of this student fund. The moral effect of such a proceedure is in itself of so great importance that the idea cannot well be passed up entirely, and we would recommend that an investigation of the advisability of such a movement be taken up by the student governing bodies without delay.

In the pist it has been very evident that the student body at large has been entirely too thoughtless with respect to its attitude towards the care of college property. The result has been needless damage inflicted upon college property to the extent of hundreds of dollars each year. If these matters were to be brought at least in part under student supervision, we feel that the responsibility so placed upon the individual student would be of no little and in materially reducing this great expense. There is no doubt that the damage fund is in reality a student fund. Several years ago the college catalog in mentioning its brought out this point in the statement that the remainder of the fund at the end of the year was to be disposed of at the will of the students. This has in later years been reconstructed so as to read that "any remainder is to be disposed of by the Senior class at the end of each academic year.

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In sugg.sting student supervision for the disposal of this fund we desire in no way to detract from the efficiency with which the fund has been so well handled in the past by the college purchasing agent's office. But we do believe that a student representation to go over all college claums as well as those made by townspeople, on the damage fund would go a great distance in gaining more respect for college property on the part of the student body than has been evident in the past. Finance committees of the various classes, or their chairmen combined, and under the direction of the inter-class treasurer, could keep a check on the larger claims, conduct investigations where organized ciques have maliciously destroyed student and college property and in other ways, by direct student influence keep the expenditures from the damage fund down to the lowest possible minimum, and thereby s cured more suitable remainder for the crection of a respectable Senior class memorial, a beneficial gift to the college.

### SHALL HONOR SYSTEM FAIL?

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An investigation of the success of the honor system in American colleges, conducted by Professor H. E. Burton of Dartmouth College, reveals the startling fact that the system has generally proved unsatisfactory. The failure of the system has been attributed mainly to the absence of rules which provide pardon or light penalty for a first offense. In the opinion of Professor Burton, "A system that tolerates the first offence or allows it to go with a warning or a reprimand is liable to become a dishonor system." At Princeton, where the honor system is expensive considered to be a success, the penalty for the first offence is expulsion and the system includes class quizzes. As a result of his investigations, Professor Burton finally concludes that he is inclined to believe regarding the honor system. "It ministers to a mistaken sensitiveness, endangers the authenticity of the college degree and imposes on the conscientious student a duty he is better off without."

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Now all this applies to Penn State in that there is in our honor system a clause which says that an offended shall first be quietly informed of his detection and on second offence shall be reported to the Honor Committee As has been shown in a previous issue of the Collegian, this clause provides a loophole for the unscrupulous student who cheats in an examination. This undesirable clause alone constitutes the evile which has caused the failure of the honor system in some infected American colleges, and if the Penn State student body wishes to safeguard "the authenticity of the college degree" it should immediately take such steps as are necessary to strike from the honor system rules the clause which provides a warning for the first offence

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Westminister, 12—0
Yale, 14—76
Pitt, 0—37.
Wash and Leo, 10—6
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Catholic U, 13—9
New York U, 10—7
John Hopkins, 54—6
Totals Md State 142, opponents 52.
This summarizes the class of new
material that the 1917 football teem
still be called to play against next fall.
Df course, each of these teams will lose
some good men by graduation, but so
a rule any team can be depended upon
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