

TALES OF COLLEGE LIFE TOLD IN TWO JOURNALS

Found—Somewhere On the Campus, Two Diaries, From Which the Following Extracts Have Been Taken; Owners May Have Them By Applying at the Collegian Office.

MR. SILLIMAN'S JOURNAL For the First Semester

Penn State, Sept. 14—My last year in college. Hope I can get out of as much work as I did last year. Good luck today. Petitioned school faculty and substituted Dutch for Econ. I used that old Dutch for entrance to good old Dutch! Dean asked me if I did not think Econ. essential for my preparation for life. Told him I would try to struggle along without it. Old nut!

Nov. 2—Started a petition for a week's vacation to celebrate Pennsylvania Day. Wiseman, a girl who sits next to me, asked whether I did not realize that every day's vacation was a dead loss to the students and a day's gain to the faculty. Told him I was not here to look out for the faculty.

Nov. 15—Glory hully-looah! Started another petition and got a week's vacation for Thanksgiving. Why don't we petition for a year's vacation? I am for it. Sorry the Pennsylvania game was cancelled. Last year I got five more days off for that.

Dec. 5—No more chapel. I got through pretty well if I do say it myself. One semester I was stupid (O what a joke) for the fruit. Another I got off to go to Church in the village. Dead easy. In my junior year I drew a seat in the back of the house where I could read Gorge's Sunday supplement. One semester I gave Jim a tie to sit in my seat. Wiseman says every student should wear the Sunday address because they are given by men with reputations and are worth while. I really believe he's a bigger nut than the dean and that's saying something.

Dec. 11—Prof. late today. I saw him coming just as the bus started. Heard the war-cry "Cut!" and all came out. Went down the back way. Close shave. I hadn't looked at the book. That crank that sits next to me tried to tell me that we weren't spitting. I teacher and were hurting only ourselves by cutting. I told him where to get off.

Dec. 16—Vacation next Wednesday. I've been home four times so far this year. Counted up and find I've been at college one day for every day and a half away. Good old semester! But I can't leave before Wednesday. Wonder what old Penn State is coming to. When I was a freshman, I always went home a week early. Now I pay a V if I go. I got out of a lot of work by going early. Wiseman says we're here to work and get ready for life and need every day. Somebody ought to send him a bumper. What we ought to do is to get a system. cuts so a fellow could start on his vacation when he wanted to. I'd start the day after college opened. You see.

Jan. 18—Exams. Think I can make it somehow. Worked out two broken note books on two profs. They never got wise. Going to grind all night tonight. These exams are great stuff if I had to depend on them. Work, I would flunk everything. The wiseguy who sits next to me thinks that a fellow hurts his memories by cramming up for exams; says we are trying to learn for life and not for a given day. He makes me think. I guess I'll never hurt my memories. Any way to get through—that's my motto.

MR. WISEMAN'S JOURNAL For the First Semester

Penn State, Sept. 14—My last year in college. I must get the most out of it. Good work today. Petitioned the school faculty to let me add Public Speaking to my schedule. I feel that every fellow should be trained to stand on his feet and talk regardless of his course of study. That makes six extra subjects I've got in my course.

Nov. 2—Started a petition for a week's vacation to celebrate right Pennsylvania Day. Why can't men see that every day's vacation is gone forever and that we are all that much. Wish some of us had backbone enough to get up a course petition. But no fellow wants to be on the unpopular side. Silliman, a young ass who sits next to me, thinks a vacation injures the faculty in some way. He doesn't see that it lets them out of that much work and hurts only the student.

Nov. 15—More vacation. Some large holes in only four years. One prof said he had never seen a student vote against a vacation no matter how poor he was or what sacrifice he was making to come to college. It's curious to see how students reason. I wonder if every day was a dollar whether we would have so many vacations? Yet every day of preparation is many dollars to a student.

Dec. 5—Seniors exempt from chapel. I shall continue to go on Sundays. When I look back I find that I've got as much out of the Sunday addresses as out of any phase of college work, and would have to travel extensively to hear the men I have had brought to my very door. I wish we had a vote on the most popular preacher at the end of each college year.

Dec. 9—Another loss. Teacher a few seconds late and that fool that sits next to me started the class out. I tried to argue but somehow college students always think they get even with an instructor by cutting. In truth it lets the instructor out of that much work. It doesn't hurt him. His salary goes on just the same. If only a few of us had the backbone to stay, and to my very door. I wish we had a vote on the most popular preacher at the end of each college year.

Dec. 10—Christmas vacation. Four short months with work constantly interrupted by recesses. Have accomplished so little of all I planned to do. I find time financially. When I see so many fellows with money and time to spend lavishly, I wonder why I could not have a little they waste. Silliman rejoices at the close of the work as if college were a prison to which he is sentenced under rules of work and harsh task-masters. To me college is an opportunity for preparation, with regret for every hour wasted, the teachers are directors to show me how to work, and I want to get as much as possible out of them.

Dec. 18—Exempt from every exam but one. But I'll take all of them. An exam makes me feel like a football scrimmage. It's a good fight. And I'll not take advantage by cramming up. I want to be examined on what I know for keeps. My memory is too precious a gift to be abused. But I do regret the time spent on the exams. We have had no time for reviews in any class and yet spend ten days helping out the shirks who have not done their daily work and depend upon finals to make the grade. I'll bet a movie ticket that nine-tenths of the profs. know who will pass before the exam papers are read.

ENGINEERING NEWS

Wilkes Barre Engineering Extension School will be held May 3 and 4. On the night of the 3rd, a banquet will be held and on the 4th, the Commencement exercises will be held in the auditorium of the new high school, on which occasion Dean A. Holmes will deliver the address.

Professor H. Diemer, Head of the Department of Industrial Engineering, lectured last week end at Boston University on "Industrial Organization and Management."

The automobile school which Professor E. N. Bates, of the Mechanical Engineering Department, has been conducting at Altoona, closed April 27. Professor Bates is instructing a voluntary class in Aerodynamics in which about 40 have enrolled. Tests will be made of the aeroplane engine in the gas engine laboratory, and it is probable that the class will erect the planes and set up the machinery on the Campus.

Those interested in the Naval Reserve Corps last week organized a class of about 60, for the study of Navigation, under Dean Sackett. The first lecture was given April 25th, and covered the subject of the design of boats from 50 to 100 feet in length, and intended for high speed cruiser or work purposes.

The next lesson, May 2d, at 7 o'clock, in Room 502, Engineering "A", will take up the discussion of 2 cycle and 4 cycle gasoline engines, the use of kerosene and crude oil engines of the Diesel type. The location of the engine, the prevention of excessive vibration, and the auxiliary equipment of lighting and pumping machinery will also be considered.

W. E. Snyder, Mechanical Engineer, '06, and now Mechanical Engineer for the American Steel and Wire Company, Pittsburgh, Pa., spoke at the last senior engineering lecture, April 27th, on "Some Requirements of the Engineer." Mr. Snyder placed considerable emphasis on the qualities college graduates, and particularly emphasized the success of the young engineer in making those qualities which assist in making able administrators and managers.

E. R. Olmsted '15, Civil Engineering, Pennsylvania State College, who has been with the Highway Department of the city of Philadelphia, visited the college last week on his way to Pittsburgh, where he has accepted a position with the Darrett Mfg Co., as western representative of their Highway Department.

MAY POSTPONE "CLEAN-UP"
Because of the fact that so many other events are scheduled to take place on next Saturday afternoon, it may be possible that the "Clean-up" day that was scheduled for 130 will be postponed for another week. The matter was taken up in Student Council last night, and announcement will soon be made regarding the definite holding of the affair.

BUTLER COUNTY CLUB
A meeting of the Butler County Club is scheduled for tomorrow evening at 6:45 in Room 11 L A.



Lacrosse was this year made a minor sport at the University of Syracuse. A team was organized last year in the College of Forestry and had such a successful season that the Athletic Governing Board made it a University sport.

On Thursday, April 24th, Ronald W. Hoskie '18, of Harvard University, was killed in action while serving in the American Expedition of the French Flying Corps. Mr. Hoskie is the first Harvard undergraduate to be killed in the war.

Under the direction of the Fraternity Societies of the University of Pennsylvania, an organization known as the "Pennsylvania Division of the Army of the Commissary" is being recruited for service in the most fields of the West. It is hoped to get transportation expenses defrayed by the Federal Government.

"Get into the game" was the reply of Major-General Wood when asked his opinion recently regarding the matter of war preparedness and the continuation of athletic schedules. "Athletic training," says General Wood "is naturally a part of military training and they go hand in hand. Sound military training involves systematic, careful athletic work which tends to turn out a well-balanced physical man, one capable of standing the hard studies of military service."

Columbia University has begun recruiting a body of ninety odd men to make up a flight ambulance corps to be composed entirely of Columbia men. \$15,000 will be necessary to purchase the equipment for the corps.

The College Presidents Association of Pennsylvania will hold its annual convention at Gettysburg this year on May 11 and 12.

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NEW CHEMISTRY BUILDING IS NEARING COMPLETION

The first unit of the new chemistry laboratory, to be known as the Priestly Laboratories of Chemistry is approaching completion. The stone for the top have been awaiting shipment from the quarries in Virginia for a long time delayed because of freight embargoes and congestion. The adherence to its at last on the way and on its arrival within a few days, the laboratory will be pushed to a rapid completion.

For the present, two floors will be used for quantitative analysis and one for physical chemistry, accommodating these entire branches. No use can be made of the laboratory at all this semester, but it will be available for use at the opening of the next college year in September.

The chemical work will be carried on in a considerable disadvantage until the construction is possible, because there is yet no provision for stock room the different buildings occupied by the chemistry department will cause many inconveniences for a while, but it will be a distinct advantage to have some portions of the department properly housed.

SIRLOIN CLUB ELECTS AND CALLS OFF SALE

The Sirloin Club has definitely decided to cancel all arrangements which had been made for their mock sale of livestock. This sale was to be held some time in May, but because of the present conditions it has been deemed advisable not to hold it. The club has also elected officers for next year. They are, W. B. Connell '18, president, Lawrence Hays, '18, vice-president, W. S. Gross '18, secretary, and R. G. Waltz '18, treasurer.

We have no particular hours but we are particular at all hours.

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COLLEGE BOOT SHOP, State College, Pa.

1919 LAVIE EDITOR AND BUS. MANAGER CHOSEN

A. J. Porter and E. J. Morris were elected editor and business manager, respectively, of the 1919 LaVie, at the meeting of the Sophomore class held last week. These men had been nominated for each position and these elections are the result of the competitive trials of these candidates. W. W. Patchell and R. E. Clark were selected as assistant editors, and C. P. Moore and B. P. Webster as assistant business managers.

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