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News Editor for This Issue . . . . . G. W. Sullivan

### MOVING UPWARD

After a long, eventful nine month's period of work, the latter part of which has been somewhat disorganized by long-to-be-remembered and unexpected happenings, the time has come at last when the Freshman swaggers across the grass with his hands in his pockets; the Sophomore, content, enjoys the freedom of the front campus; the Junior bares his head to the spring sunshine; and the Senior dons his cap and gown and visions the dim and distant future, trying to catch a glimpse of the things that it holds in store for him. We have reached the parting of the ways and will devote the next few days in fittingly ushering the "Dear Old Senior" out into the "wide, wide world".

"Commencement" it is really the very beginning of life's struggle for those who are soon to receive their degrees. We are wont to believe too frequently that exercises such as we will witness within a few days merely signify the end of the rough road. But in reality it is just the beginning. Hard work may have characterized the existence of these Penn State graduates in the past four years, but it is nothing compared to the duties that now confront them. The leap from the capacity of an obedient deck-hand to first mate, or skipper, is a long one, but we venture the belief that Penn State men will prove most efficient in handling their barks on the sea of life.

The preliminary ravages of war have already thinned the ranks of the Nineteen Seventeen graduate body, but the spirit of the occasion we are sure lies with the absent numbers. And to them in their great sacrifice for their country are extended the best wishes of their class and college mates for unlimited success and honor, both for themselves and for Old Penn State.

The coming events of the graduation season not only mark the beginning of a new life for the Seniors, but they also mark the advent of a new dignity and responsibility to be placed on the shoulders of the undergraduates. The burden is such a one as has never before been vested in a Penn State undergraduate body, and the immediate future of the college rests largely upon the manner in which they carry out their duties.

In bidding farewell to the men of Nineteen Seventeen, we believe we voice the sentiment of the remaining classes when we say that our associations with them in the past have been most enjoyable and beneficial. True, little differences arose in the earlier days, but they came as a matter of course and only served the better to bind us together in the spirit of Penn State. We, of the undergraduate body have derived great benefits from your advice and counsel, and wish you every success as you now depart from your Alma Mater.

### PREPARATION OF COLLEGE MEN

The effect of the war to date upon college life, and particularly college athletics, has been to show decisively that the American college man is in great need of an organized system of physical development. With the outbreak of the war many colleges abandoned intercollegiate athletic competitions and attempted to fill in the gap with intramural activities. In this they failed utterly, simply because of the fact that their previous physical development had not been trained along lines that would bring more than the few select men of the varsity teams into their competitions.

Although intercollegiate athletics were not abandoned at Penn State, one can readily see the position the college would be placed in if she had done so, and we can even imagine the state of affairs that will exist next fall should many more of the football men be taken into government service. There would naturally be a call for every student to get out and try for places on the various teams. There is a question as to whether such a call would bring out any good, or even, fair, material, because there is no opportunity offered the average student of mediocre ability in the present day college life to fit him for any kind of strenuous effort demanded in the average athletic contest.

The question of a "new physical education" forms the text of a lengthy article on "College Athletics as Related to National Preparedness," which appears in the latest issue of the "Penn State Alumni Quarterly." It is written by Major Palmer E. Pierce, U. S. A., and was read before a meeting of the National Collegiate Athletic Association. In brief, the article recommends a more thorough and wide-spread application of physical training for college men. The author would have it made compulsory for every college man to take a definite amount of out door training in athletics and sports. He would encourage physical education under proper supervision; the formulation of good rules of play for games and sports, and the development of the amateur spirit. Aside from the military training and the stuffy gymnasium drill, the average Penn State student receives no physical training or chance to develop an athletic hobby of any kind. We believe that the institution of a wider scope of athletic training within the college would be of great benefit to the students, and look forward to the time when the college will be able to build the proposed playground on the west campus where organized development can be held and in which even the poorest of players will be encouraged to enter with satisfaction. The benefits to be derived from such a system would work wonders for intercollegiate athletics.

### TO THE ALUMNI

A hearty welcome to the Alumni! The keys of the campus are yours, many of the big "doings" are for your benefit alone; many of the students will be here to entertain you; so "get in the swim", have as good a time as possible. Your numbers are greatly reduced this year; so are ours. But where there's a will there's a way; even a small crowd of Penn State Alumni and students is capable of absorbing an extra large amount of the Commencement time spirit, and making this occasion one that will be long remembered.

We take this opportunity for congratulating the Penn State Alumni upon the excellent work that they have done during the past year, especially through their "Penn State Booster Campaign." By this wide spread movement, the Alumni Association has placed in the hands of thousands of influential men throughout the state information in the shape of the "Booster Book", of which most of them were entirely unaware. Through the efforts of the association, the needs of Penn State have been brought to the attention of thousands who had never known that such a college existed. They have induced the newspapers to take up the message of the Booster Book and practically every citizen of the

state is now aware of the fact that Penn State is really "on the map." Members of the association have dug down into their own pockets to finance this big undertaking and they have been well repaid for their efforts. Much of the success of the movement is due to the untiring work of Ray H. Smith '05, secretary of the Alumni Association.

"Credit where credit is due"—and there is no little credit due "Bill" Wood for the success he has attained this year in his work with the men of the Two Year Agricultural school. His efforts have been stamped with the seal of success from the very start, and very deserving success at that.

Penn State's Honor System might well be applied to the use of the books and magazines in the Carnegie Library. Every book that has been borrowed by students during this year, officially or otherwise, should be returned to its shelf today, so that the stacks might be complete for the summer school work and the opening of college next fall. Many books and magazines have been reported missing, taken away without permission. This is an unpardonable offense. Set your conscience straight by returning that book today.

### Glee Club Tomorrow

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solos on Sunday evening, arriving here tomorrow in which case she will take part in this program.

Close Successful Season  
This concert will be a fitting close to a successful year for the musical clubs. Three titles were taken by the combined Glee and Mandolin Clubs during the year, and they were well received at all places visited. During the trips, concerts were given in Reading, New York City, Haddon Heights, N. J., Chambersburg, Harrisburg, and Buckle Hill. In the intercollegiate Glee Club concert at New York City this year, Penn State did not do as well as last year, mainly through lack of an appropriate song.

Tickets for the Concert have been on sale at Gilliland's, and may be procured there till six o'clock tomorrow afternoon, after which time they may be secured at the box office.

The program follows:

#### Part I.

- 1. Penn State Orchestra
- 2. March, "The World's Progress", Hebert
- 3. Shumann Suite, (a) Allegro Pomposo, (b) Andantino, (c) Allegretto, (d) Tobani
- 4. Grand Fantasia, "Lucia di Lammermoor", Donizetti
- 5. Concert Waltz, "Mon Reu", Romberg
- 6. Excerpts from "The Girl From Brazil", Romberg
- 7. Organ, Incidental Music, Professor S. R. Parsons

#### Part 2.

- 1. Glee and Mandolin Clubs
- 2. Glee Club, "Winter Song" Bullard
- 3. Mandolin Trio, "Sting Snappers" Paiks
- 4. Male Quartet, "The Old Brigade" Paiks
- 5. Readings, Miss Mary Dunham
- 6. Mandolin Club, "Ritmo March" Boehm
- 7. Glee Club, "What the Chimney Sings" Paiks
- 8. Huilone Solo, (a) "The Pirate Boat", (b) "From the Land of the Sky-blue Water" Cushman, Jr. J. M. Hepler '17
- 9. Mandolin Club, New Medley, arr. Johns '17
- 10. Combined Clubs, "Alma Mater" Stu Spangled Banner.

### Thespians Tonight

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Corn" treating upon an old Indian legend which is supplemented by a series of musical numbers. The plot proper of the Glee Club play deals with a harvest festival when those present choose from the ears of corn and the one being lucky enough to pick the red ear has the pleasure of having her every wish granted. Impeo Light, as portrayed by Miss Geist, appears to be the evil spirit of the play and causes much mischief by her malicious deeds. But the sad state of affairs brought about by the plottings of the evil spirit are all smoothed out in the end by the Old Snow, Pulgee, Pulgee, and Wudgee and others.

Most Important  
The music for both shows will play an important part in the productions since the lines of the play are interwoven with a series of songs and dances. The Thespian orchestra under the direction of Bandmaster W. O. Thompson, will render all of the music which contains many of the latest popular melodies.

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### Prominent Speakers Here During Year

During the past collegiate year, Penn State has been very fortunate in having prominent men from all walks of life visit here and address the student body. Nearly every Sunday there has been some well-known man here to deliver an address in chapel. The speakers here have been so numerous and men of such prominence that it is only possible to mention a few of the foremost.

Governor Martin G. Dumbaugh has been here on two occasions. A few Sundays ago he delivered an address to the graduating class in the chapel and under the name of Charles M. Alexander stands out most prominently. Mr. Alexander is a noted evangelist of Birmingham, England, and came here with his party to conduct a campaign in the interests of the Pocket Testament League. His work was very successful, nearly a thousand students joining the league. "Gypsy" Smith, Jr. also conducted a religious campaign here during Farmer's Week about this same time. Dr. W. E. McCulloch, of Pittsburgh, held a series of meetings under the direction of the Y. M. C. A. Ex-Governor J. F. Hanly, of Indiana, was the principal speaker at the state convention of the Intercollegiate Prohibition Association, which was held here last April. Other speakers at the convention were Professor Charles Scanlon, of Pittsburgh, and Dr. Lelei Colvin, of New York, who is the national president of the association.

### Mining School Notes

L. J. Youngs, Assistant Professor of Geology and Mineralogy, left Saturday to enter the employ of the Producers Oil Company, of Texas, as geologist.

The small blast-furnace which was recently constructed in the furnace room has been given several very successful trial runs in the last week or so by Professor Dudley and the students in one of his Junior classes.

C. M. Robinson, Instructor in Geology, left on June 2 for Sydney, Nova Scotia, Canada, where he will enter field-work for the summer with the Canadian Geological Survey; he will return to State College early next September.

A. E. Roberts, Instructor in Mining, has just completed an interesting investigation of the possibilities of compressed-air in the Plumb pneumatic lift. His results show that under certain conditions this type of concentration or separation is superior to the usual water methods.

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### "BILL" WOOD POPULAR WITH TWO YEAR MEN

### The Year's Accomplishments Show That The New Head Is a Success

When the college decided to create the office of Dean of the Two Year Men last fall, it did not have to look very far for a man to fill it. The college authorities had but one man in view for that position, and that man was "Bill" Wood, president of the graduating class last June. That he has filled the position well is attested to by Dean Watts, by other members of the faculty, and by every two year man and what course student.

According to Dean Watts, a need was long felt for just such a position in order to spread higher ideals among the men who nearly always return to the farm, and to imbue them with the idea of community service. "Bill's strong hold", says Dean Watts, is his unusually close touch with the men under him. He knows every man in the two year course personally, and he is closely following their work in the field by means of letters. In this way he is holding every two year man to the college, even after he has gone.

To show just what "Bill" has done for the two year men, a careful study of the year's developments is essential. There have been five important matters decided in favor of the special students during the past year, and all of them may be directly traced to the tireless efforts of their Dean.

Granted Privileges  
A new form of certificate has been granted to those two year men who complete their course and in conjunction with this, closing exercises are to be held at the end of each year. A third

development came when the two year men were granted permission to erect a memorial of their own, separate from the Senior memorial. This year, a drinking fountain is to be constructed of limestone and brick at the junction of the paths below the Horticultural Building. Athletically, the admission of the two year men into interclass sports on a greater scale, has been the leading feature. And the final achievement was the athletic carnival held in the Armory during the winter. In former years, a wrestling meet has always been staged, but this is the first year that a variety of athletic sports were combined.

To Broaden Work  
"Bill" will be at Penn State again next year and his work will be broader than ever. If indications are correct special efforts are being made to increase the enrollment in the winter courses. All of which will come under "Bill's" jurisdiction.

A Big Brother  
To the men in his department, "Bill" Wood is more than their dean. He is advisor, counselor, father confessor and big brother all in one. If a two year man has a question, he takes it to "Bill", if he has had news, "Bill" is sure to be told; if he needs advice, "Bill" is consulted, and it is a rare occasion that the troubled student does not leave the office with a smile on his face and the way out of his trouble pointed out to him. In brief, "Bill" Wood is a successful "dean of the Two Year Men".

### Baseball With Pitt

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man team rounded out the out-field, and Howard stepped into the hole among the hurries, but the first half of the season was spent in experimenting with various catchers. Finally "Wheeling was shifted from short stop, and he has been catching the recent games in a very creditable manner. This change necessitated the placing of Lee at short, and Thorpe in right field. Johnson injured his ankle early in the season and was out for over a month. Since his return he has been playing right field when not used in the box.

#### Win First Game

The Southern trip contained but one game due to cancellations, and the season was opened with a 2 to 1 victory over Catholic University. The team stopped off at Lehigh on their return, and were decisively defeated 15 to 7. Juniata and Susquehanna were easily conquered 13-0 and 13-5 respectively, but Carnegie Tech surprised the home team by gaining a 7 to 6 victory.

#### The Northern Trip

On the Northern trip, Middlebury, Tufts and Boston College scored victories over Penn State, while Vermont was defeated 6 to 2 and Colby was downed by the same score. The other games of the trip were cancelled. West Virginia took a weird game from the

Blue and White in the next home game the final score being 12 to 11. W & J, however, was blanked with three hits on the following day, 6 to 0.

#### Pitt is Defeated

On the Western trip, Pitt was defeated 4-2, Carnegie Tech, 8-6 and West Virginia 8-2, while the latter college also gained an eleven inning victory, 4 to 3. Games were scheduled with Villanova and Juniata since the return from the trip, but both teams cancelled because of war conditions. The game with Lehigh State University scheduled for next Monday, was also cancelled, leaving the Pitt games tomorrow and Tuesday as the curtain to the season.

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FRIDAY, JUNE 8:—  
CLARA KIMBALL YOUNG  
IN  
"The Easiest Way"  
By Eugene Walter  
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SATURDAY, JUNE 9:—  
MARGUERITE CLARK  
IN  
"The Fortunes of Fi Fi"  
A Comedy Drama of the French Stage  
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MONDAY, JUNE 11:—  
LIONEL BARRYMORE  
IN  
"His Father's Son"  
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TUESDAY, JUNE 12:—  
ROBERT HARRON  
IN  
"An Old Fashioned Young Man"  
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Charley Chaplin in "The Cure"  
Charlie takes the Cure, at the Keeley Sanitarium and incidentally causes a riot of fun. Chaplin's Latest Production.  
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WEDNESDAY, JUNE 13:—  
BLANCHE SWEET  
IN  
"Those Without Sin"

### Engineering News

Charles P. Mills '16, Civil, and Robert Love '16, Civil, were visitors at the College last week. Mr. Mills was on his way to accept a position with the Navy Yard at Philadelphia, and will be employed in the department of docks, and wharves.

R. H. Burke, resident engineer with the Westinghouse Air Brake Co., visited the College recently and spoke to Professor Wood's class in Railway Mechanical Engineering. Mr. Burke is an authority in this country on modern air brake equipments, including a type of compound air compressor used on locomotives. The Company placed such a compressor at the College, and experiments have been performed to determine its characteristics.

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