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THE CHEER LEADING

One of the biggest problems that faces the Penn State Athletic Association is the provision of a staff of cheer leaders for the coming year. It has already been proposed that the captains of the varsity athletic teams act in this capacity, and the association will be called upon to consider such a plan at its next meeting.

With the proposed system in effect here, it would doubtless gain its chief objective, that of having well-known and respected men to lead the cheering—men who know of the terrific grind that an athlete goes through in the bitter contest, and who can carry the crowd with a timely cheer.

The varieties of cheer leader selection that have been in vogue at Penn State during the past few years, have not proved entirely satisfactory. It will be necessary very soon to make some arrangement for the provision of additional cheer leaders.

That part of the plan which calls for the Freshman class president to lead in their cheering is most commendable. But the entire success of it all lies in the personal ability of this man and the varsity captains to properly lead the student cheering with respect to their voice and action.

A NEW BASIS OF MEMBERSHIP

In the columns of this issue of the "Collegian" there are outlined plans for membership in the Y. M. C. A. which differ somewhat from those in practice last year. They are well-worth reading by every student because of their feature in extending Y. M. C. A. privileges to every undergraduate, regardless of his religious proclivities.

It is at once evident, at least to the thinking college man, that the Young Men's Christian Association throughout the world, is fast becoming a very effective organization for spreading the slogan, "the other fellow." One has only to visit, at any hour these days, the city or town Y. M. C. A. building to observe that the men in uniform are finding there a place which is at their service in any way which tends to develop the man toward his best.

The local Y. M. C. A. has for a number of years continued in extending service to Penn State men in a manner which no other organization could properly handle so completely. The plan for new basis of membership is a consistent and definite move in the direction of improvement along these lines of service; and the advantages should be taken by all men in college.

GET BEHIND THE TEAM

Although the football preparatory season is only one week old, frequent comment has already been heard bemoaning the fact that Penn State would have a weak team this year. Fortunately, these gloomy forebodings have been limited to a small minority, and we believe that they have been offered more because of disappointment than through disloyalty to the college.

It is true that the football team will not be as good as in former years, but that is no reason why we should be discouraged. Other colleges are in the same predicament, some of them being even worse off than Penn State. The coaches are optimistic over the outlook, and the men who are striving to represent Penn State are not a bit discouraged.

It is up to the students to get behind the team. Do not think how badly off we are athletically, but instead, encourage the men by your presence, and the team that wears the Blue and White this fall will surely prove its mettle. Boost all you can, but if you can't boost, at least don't knock!

The success of the campus singing at the reception last Friday, again draws attention to the need of more mass singing. Although this matter was frequently referred to last year, because of the excitement and unrest caused by so many students leaving in the spring, nothing was accomplished of any account.

CHAPEL SINGING TO BE IN CHARGE OF CHORUS

An innovation is being introduced this year in the singing at the Sunday chapels. In place of the male choir which has been in charge of the singing in previous years, the College Chorus will have charge. It is planned to have two separate teams to sign on alternate Sundays.

GIRLS' GLEE CLUB TO SING AT PHILADELPHIA

With a loss of but four members by graduation, the Girls' Glee Club has bright prospects for a no less successful year than last, especially when the excellent showing of the new material is taken into consideration. It is expected that a trip will soon be made by the Club to the William Penn High School at Philadelphia, although nothing definite has been arranged as yet.

ENGINEERING FACULTY BUSY DURING SUMMER

In addition to the military service which members of the faculty of the School of Engineering gave to the government during the summer, and which was mentioned in last week's Collegian, an unusual number of the teaching staff were employed in responsible industrial positions during the summer.

Professor J. P. Calderwood was with the Interboro Railways of New York City, and after his resignation from the college, accepted a position with the Hartford Steam Boiler Works in the Inspection Division.

Professor A. J. Wood, of the Department of Mechanical Engineering, was employed on special investigations of new refrigeration machinery and proposed methods of installation to gain higher efficiencies. He was with the Schenck Machine Company.

Professor W. L. Matlin, of the Department of Mechanical Engineering, was employed by the York Mfg. Co. as erecting and operating engineer on new refrigeration machinery installed at Chester and Amboke.

J. W. Haney, instructor in Mechanical Engineering, was employed by the West Penn Railways Co., Connetquot, Pa., on boiler room efficiency problems.

Professor A. I. Brown, of the Mechanical Engineering Department, was teaching in the government aviation schools at Columbus, O., during the summer.

A. T. Brown, instructor in Mechanical Engineering, was with the Westinghouse Electric Co. in the Switchboard Department, and resigned to remain with them.

C. F. Kopp, of the Mechanical Engineering Department, was employed during the summer on patent office drawings and special work in Cincinnati.

Professor E. L. Waterman returns to the Department of Civil Engineering after an absence of one and a half years as Sanitary Engineer for the Michigan State Board of Health.

Professor R. O'Donnell, of the Civil Engineering Department, was with Farley Gannett, Sanitary Engineer, of Harrisburg.

Professor C. G. Caughey was in the Treasury Department, Washington, D. C., on the design of postoffice buildings.

E. E. R. Minshall, of the Civil Engineering Department, returns after a year's leave of absence, during which time he was employed by Chester & Fleming, Water Works Engineers, of Pittsburgh.

L. Dierstein, of the Department of Civil Engineering, was employed on the construction of a water works reservoir in Colorado.

Professor Frank Torrence, of the Department of Architectural Engineering, was employed at the plant of the Midvale Steel Co.

Professor A. L. Koehler, of the Department of Architectural Engineering, was employed at Greenboro, N. C., on the design of a \$400,000 Court House building.

Professor C. L. Harris, of the Architectural Engineering Department, was employed at the Steelton plant of the Bethlehem Steel Co.

W. S. Hoffman, of Engineering Drawing, was employed in mining engineering work at Greensboro, N. C. Mr. Ross Staunmer, instructor in Engineering Drawing, resigned, was employed on the same work.

Prof. J. O. Krammerman, of the Department of Electrical Engineering, was employed by the W. E. Moore Company, Mechanical Engineers, Pittsburgh, on the design and construction of electric furnaces for the production of steel.

C. E. Govier, Associate Professor of Telephone Engineering, was with E. F. Houghton & Co., Philadelphia, on power plant installation.

Grant Farbusch, instructor in Industrial Engineering, was employed, first at Syracuse, N. Y., and later at the American Tool Works, Cincinnati, O., in the study of shop methods.

Dean R. L. Sackett, the School of Engineering, during the summer months attended the annual convention of the American Society for Testing Materials in Atlantic City, the Conference of the Land Grant College Association in Washington, and the Society for the Promotion of Engineering Education in Washington. He also investigated the experience of Buffalo with the explosion of their grinding apparatus when handling various cereals. The Dean also advised concerning sewage purification and on certain government matters.

IN THE ENGINEERING SCHOOL. The following material improvements have been made in the Engineering Equipment: A new uniflow engine to replace obsolete apparatus has been set up in the steam laboratory, ready for experimental use. This engine operates on a very different mechanical principle from the ordinary slide valve engine.

A cooling tower has been erected in the rear of Eng. A to cool condensing water used in experimental engineering. This water has heretofore been run into the sewer. It will now be used repeatedly and not wasted.

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be levied for the budget at the opening of the college. To get around this, an assessment of \$1 has been placed on all classes. The outstanding bills against the union class will probably make the assessment of that class the highest, and when all facts in the matter can be taken into account another assessment will be levied. If it is found necessary, however, further assessments will be small, for all classes have regained their feet in financial standing.

The memorial fund of the 1917 class, money remaining from last year's damage fund, has been placed in trust and will be combined with the 1918 fund for the erection of an imposing gateway at the Pugh street entrance of the campus.

The 1920 class set aside \$100 for the purchase of Liberty Bonds last spring, and this will after be converted and made a part of the Senior class memorial fund in 1920.

The surplus balance in the 1917 class treasury, amounting to \$181.55, has been turned over to the permanent class secretary, W. E. Kroll, and will be used in making arrangements for the third and fifth year reunions.

Junior Prom Paid. While the report on the 1918 Junior Prom shows a deficit of \$33.75, the class treasurer retains credit for \$50 from favors that were not ordered delivered. This shows that in reality the 1918 class cleared a small sum on the dance. The \$50 represents part of the deposit made at the time the favors were ordered, and afterwards the order had to be cancelled. But the firm had already done some work on the favors, and had allowed the class credit in that sum for any future orders. This will probably be taken advantage of for the Pennsylvania Day dance.

The balance sheet of the Inter class treasurer's report for the year ending August 31, 1917, follows:

BALANCE SHEET. Assets: Cash on checking account, Nat'l Bank at S. C. (La Vie), Savings on deposit at 3% Ist. Nat'l Bank at S. C. (La Vie), Bal in I. C. Sports treasury, Accounts Receivable, Delinquent dues. Liabilities: Accounts payable (La Vie), Surplus balance.

Note—The surplus balance in the 1917 class treasury of \$181.55 has been turned over to W. E. Kroll, '17 Class Secretary.

Certified to Sept. 14, 1917. D. K. PEET, C. P. A.

On the Corner. As Per Usual, Just a Little of This and That. WELL, here we are again! AND if one more dub asks us if we had a "good summer" there'll be some flowers sent to his room that he can't smell.

THAT well known pest is as bad as the other w. k. pest who always greets you in mid-summer with "is it hot enough for you?" SURE we had a good summer—playin' around on the farm from 4 a. m. 'till 7 and 8 g. m. Oh its a great life!

SORRY we couldn't break into the news last week with this column, but the chief had a grouch on and said this Pile of Junk was no good anyway. But we nabbed an ice cream cone for him at the Fresh reception last wk and he promised to give us the once over for this time.

THE CORNER has been a pretty pop place for the past week or so. The "fruit birds" are as prominent as ever. FOR a few days there we had a dose of the original "small town stuff" when everybody seemed to arrive from nowhere whenever the E. Fonto Central or the buses blew in with more studs.

WE note with great concern that Parker's Boat ain't so pop, as it used to was. One trip per day about plays it out. Try sand on the grasses, Parker!

Wuxtry! Wuxtry! Didja lamp those new fandangled carpet bags affairs that the busby knitting co-eds are totting 'round with 'em these days? Don't know what they're for, exactly, but it seems the busby they look, the better they like 'em.

THEY would make good things to take along on a trip to the apple orchard.

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Yet we lapped a couple of the Dear Old Seniors yesterday wearing the college colors as a dome covering—prep skull caps. Is Penn State slipping back? We sincerely hope we have a college here, and not a "rah rah" prep school.

SNICKER STUFF—A Freshman trying to get rid of his clumsy hands.

THIS year's crop of green link ribbons looks like a fine one.

BET the "regulars" will be wishing more than ever that Mac Hall had six or eight telephones instead of a measley one.

ADVISE TO FRESHMEN If you want to take a stroll on the grass, get the camouflage idea—wear a green suit, socks and tie, drink a bottle of green ink, and stroll about the campus 'till the cows come home.

DON'T know how you feel about it, but its a pretty poor upperclassman who disguises himself as a Freshman just to get a little notoriety. Would advise such fellows to see our Bus. Mgr about "Collegian" advertising rates.

WE WONDER How three hundred Sophs are going handle that mob of 700 Freshmen on Foster night.

ANYHOW, we wish them luck.

WHO said Penn State wouldn't flourish this year? That enrollment of 2000 studs sure does look good.

THE more the merrier!

PRESIDENT SPARKS WELCOMES FRESHMEN

Penn State was officially opened last Wednesday when the entire student-body met in the Auditorium to receive the new men and meet the new members of the faculty. Contrary to expectations the assembly room was just as crowded this year as last, with an even larger Freshman class in attendance. Dean Holmes presided and extended the first welcome to the class of 1921.

President Sparks in his address laid emphasis upon the fact that, although conditions are so unsettled, the motto of Penn State has been "Business as Usual." Therefore with the largest Freshman class that Penn State has ever known and so many upper classmen back, the outlook is very promising.

Mrs. H. L. Ridenour, the new teacher of the violin, rendered a Violin solo after the new members of the faculty were introduced.

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