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SLIPPING BACK

When only twelve per cent. of Penn State's student body "remember" the time and place of an important election, or makes up that portion that is too tired to walk up to Main Building, one is immediately struck with the fact that the Old College is not just "what she used to be," something is apparently slipping.

It was very discouraging, to say the least, to those in charge of the Athletic Association election last Thursday, to stick around the polls only to accommodate a mere handful of voters—a grand and inspiring total of 248. Think of it, men! Only two hundred and forty-eight out of almost two thousand who would take the trouble to do one of the little things asked of him about college. Every man in college had a right to be there, and should have been there. Most of them "forgot" that there was to be such an election, even though the fact was well advertised all over the campus for several days in advance.

The list of names that was made up as each man dropped his ballot at the election, shows without a doubt just who the men are who always lead the way for the others in college activities. They are the same old dependables who are always on hand for class meetings or other little duties about the campus. The same crowd turns up each year, but the worst of it this year is the fact that there are so very, very few of them. There are only 68 Seniors, 52 Juniors, 58 Sophomores and 70 Freshmen. Are YOU going to sit back and let this little bunch run things around here this year? It is to be hoped that you will not.

WORTH WHILE

The college Y. M. C. A. this week is to put on their Membership Campaign, in an effort to increase the number of students now connected with that institution. Enlarging their basis of membership, as stated in the COLLEGIAN two weeks ago, should prove effective in their efforts. The present war situation has brought the Y. M. C. A. into marked prominence, both nationally and internationally, so that a man belonging to this student branch is a member of one of the greatest organizations of the world and certainly the largest single student organization. Their work here has been productive of great service and good, and it is to be hoped such will continue to be the case. Why not give them a hand and boost?

The COLLEGIAN once more desires to appeal to students and faculty members to turn over such letters received from Penn State men "at the front" that would be suitable for publication. We all want to hear what the boys in the camps are doing. The editor would appreciate the receipt of letters directly from the men in camp, for these columns offer an exceptional medium for letting all your friends know where you are and what you are doing, with no more bother than the writing of one letter.

It is truly remarkable how suddenly the Senior class grew in numbers on Saturday. The grandstand on New Beaver would look pretty empty with only the band, the women, the 250 Seniors and visitors seated there. Yet scores of Seniors and visitors were forced to sit on the bleachers during the football game, while Juniors and Sophomores sat at ease in the grandstand. It is about time for some of these fellows to "get wise."

Just about two hundred Freshmen were missing at the football games on Saturday. Can it be possible that these two hundred are still unaware of the fact that they are not required to pay admission to these games? The Freshman stands were not more than three-quarters full last Saturday, and there is plenty of room for each one of the 740 of them.

Rather than ask each other "how many touchdowns are we going to score against W and J?" it would be better to put it—"What chances have we of getting the best of W, and J?" The West Staters are not in the Prep school class by any means.

The Freshman monthly quizzes are being held this week for the most part, and we would remind the Freshmen of the necessity of obeying the rulings of the student Honor System. Permanent dismissal from college is the penalty for violations. Is it worth while to cheat?

Roll of Honor

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O. B. GIPPLE, '16, 10th Engineers' Forestry Regiment
L. D. DUNN, '16, 10th Engineers' Forestry Regiment
H. E. RICHARDS, '16, 10th Engineers' Forestry Regiment
C. B. SIMPSON, '16, 10th Engineers' Forestry Regiment
R. T. BILLIN, '20, 10th Engineers' Forestry Regiment
O. J. PETERSON, '20, 10th Engineers' Forestry Regiment
J. E. FRANCE, '16, First Lieutenant, Fifth Engineers, Brownsville, Texas.
T. J. HAWORTH, '17, Drafted.
N. D. HUGHES, '20, Aviation Corps.
N. B. THOMPSON, '18, Y. M. C. A. army work.
J. W. LIVINGOOD, '19, Hospital Corps, Little Rock, Ark.
P. G. MUSSEY, '19, Allentown Hospital Unit.

A. S. WERTZ, '17, Drafted.
M. C. CHAFFEE, '18, Drafted.
D. E. GOODLING, '16, Regular Army.
H. L. VAN AKEN, '16, Plattsburg.
R. S. CLARK, '17, Navy, U. S. Steamship Albatross.
C. C. BALDERSTON, 2nd, '19, Reconstruction Unit in France.
P. J. NEFF, 310th Field Artillery, Battery B, Camp Meade.
R. V. PINNEY, '18, 2nd Lieutenant, Infantry.
J. F. HALTEMAN, '16, First class electrician, U. S. N.
G. YOHN, '17, U. S. Army.
M. CORDEIRO, '17, 1st Lieutenant, U. S. R. San Juan.
M. RODRIGUEZ, '16, U. S. A. C., Allentown.
A. L. HAIG, '16, 2nd Lieutenant, Infantry.
L. V. FISHER, '18, 2nd Hospital Unit, Augusta, Ga.
R. C. BENNETT, '18, Penn State Unit, U. S. A. C., Allentown.
H. H. FRAZER, '19, 2nd Lieutenant, 113th Penna. Infantry, Camp Meade.

News From Other Colleges

SYRACUSE—The Liberal Arts students of Syracuse University are receiving an old Syracuse custom, namely, of singing and cheering on the stairs of the Liberal Arts Hall immediately after chapel.

M. A. C.—The R. E. Olds Hall of Engineering of the Michigan Agricultural College has been dedicated and is now in use. This building replaces the building which was totally destroyed by fire in March, 1916.

STEVENS Institute of Technology is well represented in the different branches of military service. Two hundred and twenty men out of a total of twenty-two hundred students and alumni are in some form of military service.

SYRACUSE—The Freshman Team is particularly strong this year, holding the varsity to three touchdowns in the first scrimmage of the year. A good game can be expected when they meet the Penn State Freshmen here on November 9th.

SUSQUEHANNA—The following notice appeared in a recent issue of the "Susquehanna": "A prominent citizen of town has promised a reward to the students who painted the sidewalks last Wednesday evening. To the Freshmen he will give a gold headed cane and to the Sophomores he has promised a pair of boots. The only condition attached to these presents is that he is to have hold of one end of the cane and that his foot is to be in one of the boots."

UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS—The first official registration day at the University of Kansas was marked by the application of approximately 1,500 students as compared with 1,962 students last year. The ratio of women to men students was about three to one. Last year there were twice as many women as men.

PRINCETON—The Board of Athletic Control at Princeton has decided definitely that there shall be no "varsity" football here this fall, but that other sports may be resumed, if they can be made self-supporting. The decision probably means that there will be athletics at Princeton on less extensive scale than usual. The extent to which the participation in contests with other colleges will be carried will depend on the undergraduates.

UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS—The registration of Freshmen at the University of Kansas is five larger at the present than on October 12 of last year, the corresponding time, as college opened late in 1916. The registration at the present time stands at 482 as against 477 last fall. The total registration in the College of Liberal Arts is 1,268, of this number 612 are men and 756 women.

A course of lectures dealing with important problems which college men will be inaugurated at Syracuse this fall. This course will be required of all freshmen engineering students and such subjects as "Right Living," "What Are We Here For?" and "The Honor System" will be discussed by prominent members of the faculty. The Freshman class this year numbers about seven hundred students, a large portion of which are women.

Men Want Magazines (Continued From First Page)
that I may best do my bit? It can not help in the trenches. Should I not therefore help in every possible way? "Set apart in our own little world, we at Penn State are not actually facing conditions as grim those in the centers, and the munition factories. Perhaps we are too busy even to read much about them. Is there not a tendency to discount on what we read because of our isolation? Last year, in days of war, are we justified in spending the money already earned by ourselves or others as we have been accustomed to spend? We are consumers rather than producers. Should we not, for this reason, be a hundred times more careful about our spending? "Should we, as a body of patriots, spend ten thousand dollars or more on the Pennsylvania Day festivities? Is the return in personal pleasure, value received, with world conditions as they are?

Personal Desires. "With your own fellow students sending such letters as the one above quoted, are you justified in allowing personal desires to govern even for a moment? Shall college men, men of the highest privilege, each man one chosen from a thousand to the high opportunity of a college training, shall such men not set an example of the noblest patriotic ideals, the ideals that put self entirely in the background and others always at the front? "Appeals for financial help will come from varied sources, including the International Y. M. C. A., the Red Cross, and the camps for necessities (which the government can not provide), for books and other necessities. The money that has been spent for personal pleasure can not be directed to these patriotic needs. Liberty bonds are on sale. If one has fifty dollars to invest, may it not much more wisely be put into a bond than into a dance? "Shall the patriotism of Penn State men be limited to flags and enthusiasm, or shall it get into the heart and the purse and the check book, thus showing a spirit of sacrifice akin to that of those in the camps and in the trenches, though falling far short of it? "Penn State men are patriots. In this time of stress they are going to show it by the way they sacrifice. AN INTERESTED ALUMNUS"

BASEBALL PRACTICE BEING HELD DAILY
Full baseball practice has been under way for several weeks, and daily workouts are being indulged in by both the varsity and Freshman squads. Five of last year's strong "varsity" team have returned to college. With the addition of a large number of candidates from the Freshman nine of last year, prospects are assuming a very rearing aspect. Grubb, Mingle, Johnston, Gramley, and captain Wheeling constitute the "varsity" quintet which remains from last year. Mullan, Brumbaugh, Menzies, Utley, Jull, Cooper, Menderson, Holmberg, and Black of the 1920 team are at present in the squad. Many men who will come out later are now in the football squad. Kansas, who was ineligible last year has also taken part in the practices. Although little is known about the Freshman material, the new men seem to be showing up well. Heathcoat, of York, Wagner, of Fairbury High School, together with Scott and Hager, who played amateur baseball in the vicinity of Pittsburg, are taking part in the daily practice, and more 21 men will make their appearance on the diamond.

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LETTERS FROM THE FRONT

Flying in Texas Camp Kelley, Sat. 29th, 1917.

Dear Professor Webber— I imagine you are kept quite busy getting every thing to running smoothly at the school again, and I sure wish there was no war so I could be back with you again.

Army life surely is quite different from college life. We sleep in tents; line up for eats with your mess kits, and that means flight until you get enough to eat. After you have your eats you have to sit down in the dirt and use the dust for pepper.

There was quite a time at home when the drafted men left for Camp Meade I didn't enlist any too soon as they issued a call for 600 extra men. I would have been caught although I did not know it until after I had enlisted.

After I got out of this I will finish school if it takes me five years. At Columbus, Ohio I was walking just outside of the mess hall when someone yelled "Hey Patz," and who should it be but Freshman Vincent? He enlisted in the Quartermaster's Corps.

We have been issued some winter material and probably will leave soon. Where we do not know, but probably for France. All the boys are well and getting as brown as Mexicans. We'll be able to eat nails after we get out of this. Well I'll have to close hoping to hear from any of my friends soon. My best writing desk is a piece of board and that is dirty.

Sincerely yours, Harleth Frazier, '18, Aero Squadron, 102, Camp Kelley, San Antonio, Texas

AGR. EXTENSION AIDS GOVERNMENT

Conservation of Food Chief Aim of Department in Recent Months

The Department of Agricultural Extension has been aiding the government to conserve food in various ways since the declaration of war. During the summer over a thousand demonstrations in canning and drying were given throughout the state, not one county being missed.

At the present time, the Extension service is cooperating with the Public Safety Committee and is giving an exhibit of material in three cars on the Pennsylvania railroad. The train started from Philadelphia two weeks ago and is making one and two stops a day in its tour of the state. There are three Home Economics Extension women on the cars who are showing how to economize with wheat by baking bread from the flour of potatoes, rice and wheat, receipts of which are given away.

Several additions have been made recently to the Agricultural Extension staff. E. L. Nixon, plant pathologist, comes here from Columbia University, where he was a student and assistant. He is a graduate of Ohio University and was for some time at the Experiment Station of that school. Charles F. Preston has been transferred from the Chester county farm bureau to the college to assist in the supervision of county work, and C. G. McBride from Mercer county to take charge of boys' clubs' activities. Eighteen women have been added to the Extension Department of Home Economics since last spring, bringing the total of Miss McDonald's force up to twenty-three. The new members are: D. J. McCoy, D. J. McNaughton, A. B. Potts, J. Bliss, Elsie Noble, Edythe Hershey, Mary V. Dick, Mary Ruth Fisher, Kate Ben, Margaret Raley, Grace Young, Grace Armstrong, Mary E. McLean, Margaret Brown, Jeannette Leatherman, Grace Bacon, Florence Hall, Frances Hilton, Belle Hubbard, Zora Lemmon, Louise Robertson, Marjorie Barto, and Margaret Hiller.

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Saturday's Football Scores

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