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SHALL ATHLETICS BE ABANDONED?

Objections were rife last week among students with regard to the payment of the \$3.00 Athletic Association dues for the second semester, grounded on the fact that on account of the shortened semester and the possibility of no baseball and track activities this year, there should be no necessity for such payment. Immediate investigation of the matter by the COLLEGIAN revealed the following facts, vouched for by the Graduate Manager:

If there were to be a refund of these dues, the present wrestling, basketball and indoor track schedules would have to be abolished at once, and the athletes involved released from further training; the football coach and track trainer would have to be released immediately; there would be no chance for baseball in the spring and little chance for intercollegiate football next fall; all intercollegiate sports would have to be abandoned, a condition just the opposite from the hopes and desires of the government officials with regard to college athletics.

While the actual money value involved seems to be very slight, yet the financial condition of athletics in general at Penn State is such that this money is absolutely necessary for the continuance of every line of sport. Certain overhead expenses must be met for the successful operation of all athletics, and revenues this year and in those immediately to come are far below normal, a fact that readily can be appreciated. It can be shown that full value has been received for the athletic fees, even in the half year that has just been completed, during which twelve football games were to be seen. The payment of the fee is alone justifiable in support of future intercollegiate athletic programs.

A SOPHOMORE PROBLEM

The question of deciding upon a class hat is soon to be brought before the members of the Sophomore class. A hat committee has been appointed and before long the class will adopt, for better or worse, a symbol of class distinction, a custom in vogue at Penn State for many years past. It may seem to be a trivial matter to bring up in these columns, but a little advice at the proper moment may doubtless prove of value when it comes to looking backward.

From the apparently unsatisfactory results that grew out of the selection of an insignia by the class of 1919, we are of the opinion that any future class is to be congratulated when it adopts a measure that will prohibit its members from mutilating the adopted insignia upon its class hat. The lack of unity that now prevails in the appearance of the 1919 class hats is sufficient to warrant steps by another class in providing against the practice of mutilation to suit the taste of the wearer.

No better hat insignia can be secured than the plain old "bar" system. The comparatively recent introduction of the class numerals has never been satisfactory and we trust that the coming classes will take steps to eliminate it entirely. At least, it is to be hoped that the mutilation of any selected design will be forbidden.

HUNT HIM OUT!

During the past week, some "fellow"—an eligible candidate for the "Hoodlum Club"—was the means of causing great discomfort to patrons at one of the moving picture theatres. He resorted to low, sneaking and offensive methods to gratify an insane desire to "put something over". He obtained results, satisfactory to his own mean little self, but in bursting chemical "bombs" in a crowded house, he brought great discomfort to those in attendance, and spotted his character in the commission of a penal offense. A "prep school" trick—perpetrated by a grammar school mind. Words fail us in shaping an opinion of this type of degenerate. We sincerely trust that he may be discovered and properly punished. One local man was forced out of business by such tactics, and for the good of the community we are not desirous of seeing another, who is doing his utmost for our entertainment, follow in his footsteps. The management goes to great additional expense in giving us the best, yet there are a few who would abuse and trample that favor. All that is asked in return is cooperation and gentlemanly conduct, an easy obligation of true Penn State men to fulfill.

ELECTED TO STAFF

The COLLEGIAN takes great pleasure in announcing the election of the following men as Freshman Reporters on the Editorial Staff: E. H. Bicknell, H. B. Coon, W. E. Segel, I. W. Sell, J. L. Stewart, H. J. Weller and C. L. White.

These men have been selected after a competition lasting from early in the fall to the present time, during which time they have proven themselves to be the best of the candidates that responded to the first call. In this connection it might be mentioned that over fifty Freshmen answered the call for candidates early in the year, and that less than a dozen have stuck to the job. College is like everything else, nothing is worth while unless you work for it, and it is perseverance that always wins in the end.

If those who have charge of the box at the Old Willow in which students have been asked to drop college publications for the benefit of the Penn State men at the front, would label the box, and designate its purpose, we feel that their efforts would receive due reward.

The College Glee Club is to be congratulated upon its excellent program rendered last Sunday afternoon. The large audience was indicative of the eagerness with which the student body is always ready to hear this organization.

Business in the borough should boom beyond all expectations when Uncle Sam sends those hundreds of men here for practical training in engineering lines.

The same old nuisance of uncleaned sidewalks is with us again.

LAST YEAR'S SENIORS OUT IN THE WORLD

Douglas, T. B., Ord. Dept. Watervliet Arsenal, N. Y.
Ewing, R. P., Cadet Eng., Henry L. Doherty Co., Toledo, Ohio.
Suetz, Benjamin, Prin. of Manchester High School, Carroll County Board of Education, Manchester, Md.
Sanders, W. M., Cadet Eng., H. L. Doherty Co., Toledo Railway & Light Co., Toledo, Ohio.
Sauer, R. E., Cleveland, Ohio.
Sauerhoff, G. J., 1st Serg. Co. 3, 1st Battalion, Camp Dix, N. J.
Saylor, E. M., Lock Haven, Pa.
Schaeffer, Miss Grace M., Vocational School at Honey Brook, Pa.
Scharf, J. M., Regular Army Medical Corps, Selinsgrove, Pa.
Schible, C. J., Architectural Eng., J. A. Schible Gen Contractors, Tamaqua, Pa.
Schmoll, R. G., Farm Manager for Geo. F. Schmoll, Wyoming, Pa.
Schmelle, Finn, Student Vet. Med., Iowa State College, Ames, Ia.
Schooley, R. E., Berwick, Pa.
Schuecker, L. R., Cadet Eng., Toledo Railways & Light Co., Toledo, Ohio.
Schwoyer, S. P., Kurtztown, Pa.
Seidman, M. P., 30th Engineers, Med Dept., Camp Meade, Md.
Scott, Crawford, School of Law, Pittsburg, Pa.
Scanon, J. H., Greensburg, Pa.
Serfass, D. L., Toledo, Ohio.
Shook, H. D., Battery A, 311th F. A., Camp Meade, Md.
Shroyer, A. A., 2nd Lieut., Fort Monroe, Va.
Smith, Miss Charlotte M., Swarthmore, Pa.
Smith, L. R., Fairview, Erie County, Pa.
Smith, R. W., Bell Telephone Co., Pittsburgh, Pa.
Smully, H. M., Farming home farm, Lebanon, Pa.
Snodgrass, H. W., 2nd Lieut., 310th F. A., Nat. Army, Camp Meade, Md.
Snyder, C. P., Med Corps, General Electric Co., Sunbury, Pa.
Snyder, C. R., Instructor in Agriculture, Carlisle Indian School, Loganville, Pa.
Snyder, G. E., Industrial Eng., Susquehanna Silk Mills, Sunbury, Pa.
Spanogle, J. A., 2nd Lieut., Nat. Army, Fort Mott, N. J.
Spencer, W. L., Petty Officer, U. S. Navy, Newport, R. I.
Sprunt, C. B., Monroe, Pa.
Staudt, R. B., Oglethorpe Training Camp, Chattahoochee, Tenn.
Steele, L. A., Horticulturist & Managing Sec'y of E. R. Steele & Son's Bus. Corp., Kingston, Pa.
Stephenson, Edward, Wilkes-Barre, Pa.
Stevens, O. L., Address Unknown.
Stewart, D. Y., Construction Foreman, American Bridge Co., Columbiana, Ohio.

Looking Backward

(Week of January, 23rd.)

Twenty years ago.
A set of pulley weights, a set of medals, and a rowing machine were added to the equipment of the gymnasium. In addition, a cold apparatus was repaired and a shower-bath installed in the dressing room.
The Civil Engineering Society was formed.

Fifteen years ago.
The Sophomores, after defeating the Freshmen debating team defeated the Juniors, thereby becoming college champions.

Ten years ago.
The Sophomores won the picture scrap. The attempt to take the Freshman class picture had twice been frustrated. It was planned to take the picture from a covered wagon as the Freshmen came out of chapel Monday morning. The Sophomores on guard became suspicious of the wagon and upon investigating captured the camera, ending the scrap.
The New Pharonians were organized and made plans for a minstrel show.

Five years ago.
Examination week.

FOOTBALL SQUAD HOLDS FIRST SPRING PRACTICE

Head Coach "Dick" Harlow, of the varsity football team, called the candidates for their first spring practice on Saturday afternoon at 2:30 in the Armory. About twenty-five men responded to the call, and among these were many luminaries of the Freshman team for the past seasons. He gave the line-men a thorough drill in getting away after the ball is put in play, and the backfield men were drilled in the handling of the ball. Many of the varsity men were in uniform and assisted in the work of drilling the young or men. The material looked very promising, especially the ringmen. The end positions will be one big gap to fill on the varsity eleven for the coming season, as both Captain Conover and "Dick" Rauch, who held down these berths, have enlisted in the Ordnance Department. If all the eligible men return to college next fall Coach Harlow should be able to put a representative Penn State eleven on the gridiron next season.

FREE MOVIES ON FRIDAY

A moving picture lecture will be given Friday, January 25th, in Room 200, Eng. D, at 4:30. "The King of the Rails" was shown here two years ago and was both interesting and instructive. The film will be accompanied by the lantern slides showing details of construction of railway motors.

On the Corner

Notice the Worried Look.
Friend Fresh Wears These Days!

AIN'T it hot!
POOR Frothy enters the Censored List. We're probably next.

WE tried in vain to get some other guy to spout off this Tower of Trash this wk just to get the rag back "In College" so we'll do our darndest to keep you entertained for a second or 2.
SO we defy the wintry blasts, shed our coat, shiver and shake, knock the ice from the keyboard and go to it—Let us

BE THANKFUL
THAT there is a little more safety in navigating the P. O. steps these days
THAT our individual necks are just a little bit safer because of the improvement
THAT we get mail "once in a while"
THAT we had no finals
THAT we have so far been free from the receipt of "those little white slips" that carry a "D" or an "E"
THAT there is plenty of coal in the burg
THAT we are not in the trenches.

A SWEET TALE
No sugar today.
No sugar today.
We don't sell sugar on Sunday
No sugar today.
No sugar today.
No use to come 'round on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday,
And we can't sell sugar on Sunday.
WE have a pound of the stuff locked up in our trunk, and issue ourselves a ration of 10 grains per meal. Ain't we the lucky dog?

WELL!
WE are reliably informed "by those who are in a position to know" that the sugar shortage in Mac Hall has not detracted in the least from the sweetness of the inhabitants thereof. We profess entire ignorance of the true facts.

THE Bull Pen reign of terror has become an actual fact for the Green ones. Many are the wiser and ancient tales that are now being told 'round the festive board. Cheer up, Frosh, the worst is yet to come.

THAT rail at the P. O. doesn't keep the steps free from snow. How about a couple of rough-shod boards to boot?

WITH a dictionary in one fist we managed to digest seven-sixteenths of Boucick's talk in last week's columns of this here rag. For the rest we used a vivid imagination. But the "Chief" says this week's spiel is the "real goods." We await its coming with eager anticipation.

SPEAKING of semouffage, have you noticed the extreme malady of "hair on the upper lip" that is attacking the students in general, more particularly the brand known as "wise fools"?

ONE Frosh had the nerve to ask us the other day if he would be allowed to raise one of the misplaced eyebrows. Think of it!

SAID we:—"Sure, go ahead!"

BUT beware of the results, dear Frosh!

ITS about time we had a few halt cuts 'round this quiet village. The Freshmen are getting to be a regular bunch of Rip van Winkles.

HELP
A smiling stude breezed into the office the other day and stuffed the following masterpiece of English literature in our fist:

STOP! LOOK!
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SHADES of Pattee! That Frosh sure does need one! Also some grammar school courses in spelling and punctuation.

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MAKE NEEDED CHANGES IN D.-H. DEPARTMENT

The Dairy Husbandry Course embodies two distinct divisions of work: Dairy Production and Dairy Manufacture. The Course in the past has been planned more specifically to meet the requirements of the Dairy manufacturing students. There can be no reasons for requiring students desirous of specializing in Dairy Production to take such courses as Creamery Buttermaking, Factory Cheese Making, Factory Ice Cream Making, and Factory Management.

Rapid changes are taking place in the dairy industry in this state. In the future there will be less butter made, and less cheese made, unless a development of fancy cheese making takes place. There will be a greater sales of milk for direct consumption, and greater manufacture of condensed milk and ice cream.

The Dairy Husbandry Course by the beginning of the next college year will offer separate options in Dairy Production and Dairy Manufacture. The option in Production is planned to meet the needs of students desiring to become breeders of pure bred dairy cattle, farm managers, inspectors of dairy establishments, and to meet the needs of those operating farms where the dairy is one of the principal sources of income. The Course includes besides the courses in Dairy Production fundamental courses in Agronomy, such as cereals, hay, forage, and fiber and root crops, Soil Fertility and Farm Management, in Animal Husbandry, Diseases of Farm Animals, Anatomy and Physiology, and Poultry in Horticulture, Commercial Fruit Growing. In addition there is an opportunity for electing a number of subjects.

BOXING TRIALS TO TAKE PLACE SOON

With the boxing trials only two weeks off, the various candidates are beginning to get into shape. This year promises to be a big one in the glove game, and the management has announced the second week in March as the date of the interclass meet, with the first week in February for the trials. While there is a fairly large number of students already out in this sport, the managers would like to see more.

At the present time no coach has been procured, but there is some probability of Dick Harlow handling this sport if he does not, the coaching will be left to the students and R. P. Henney '19, will probably act in this capacity. As in all the other sports a large number of the men who boxed last year are not in college, but among those out at the present time are, R. P. Henney '19, and G. W. Markes '19, who will probably box in the 115-pound class. Among the Freshmen are, C. D. Jacobs, 135-pound class and O. H. Friedman, Egghead, who is 150 lbs. (Sunbury) and has already made a reputation as a boxer, will box in the 125-pound class.

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Agricultural News

Prof. W. H. Tomhave will speak on Wednesday before the Breeders' Meeting in Harrisburg on "Beef Production" and on Thursday, before the Wool and Cotton Conference on "Flock Improvement." From Harrisburg he will go to Trenton, New Jersey, where he will conduct a meat demonstration and give a talk on "Pork Production" before the New Jersey Agricultural Society.

Prof. Rasmussen will also speak on Thursday at Trenton before the New Jersey Holstein-Friesian Breeders' Association on "War Problems and Milk Production." Dean Watts will give an illustrated lecture before the same meeting on "How the Horticulturist Can Help Win the War."

Dean Watts and Prof. McDowell were in Washington last week where they attended a conference where problems were discussed concerning the agricultural departments of the colleges of the United States.

The School of Agriculture has prepared and shipped a show of farm products which will be exhibited in Harrisburg on January 22, 23, and 24, at the Pennsylvania Farm Products Show.

Sullivan and Northumberland counties have recently organized farm bureaus and Paul Korb '15, and J. M. Fry are the county agents, respectively for these additions to the list of County Farm Bureaus.

Several new bulletins containing valuable information for the Home Economics Extension work have been issued by the Extension Department. The titles of these bulletins are "Meat and Meat Substitutions," "Grain and Grain Products," and "Clothing."

Engineering News

A recent report concerning the Engineering Extension Work for industrial workers shows a healthy condition considering the demand of employers for overtime. At present there are 3000 skilled employees in classes in 30 cities and the number of classes is rapidly increasing. In spite of difficulties created by the war, there will be 4000 men and women in engineering classes before the year closes.

J. Merrill Hepler '17, Sanitary, has entered the Medical Officers Training Camp at Fort Oglethorpe for instruction in the Sanitary Corps of the Army.

COLLEGE MEN WANTED TO PLANT TREES IN SPRING

The State Forestry Department has issued an urgent call for State College men to plant trees on the State Forests after college closes in the spring. Millions of seedling trees were raised last year on the state forest reserves owing to the scarcity of labor, a large part of these will be lost unless help can be secured.

At least a hundred men are wanted to begin as soon as college closes, and to plant for a month. These men will live in camps and the work will be done in different parts of the state. Transportation and food will be furnished by the State Forestry Department. The compensation will not be less than \$2.00 a day, and all expenses paid. Those interested should send in their names to the Forestry Department of the college.

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