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A FAIR DEAL

It has been one of the boasts of Penn State men that they stand for a square deal, in college, out of college, in athletics or in the common every day life of the campus. Fair play has been fostered at this institution until our reputation for such is known far outside the limits of the college. Visiting teams are always sure of a fine reception at State College and they always leave with a feeling of friendliness.

However, for some unknown reason, there have been evidences this year of a reversal of form at Penn State. Whether it is due to the careless roughness of the S. A. T. C. period or to a lowering of the character of the student body, it is hard to determine, though we prefer to believe that it is the former. Undoubtedly there is something wrong in the attitude of some of the students, probably in a large measure due to thoughtlessness.

Attention has already been called to the remarks and poor sportsmanship which has been evident at many of the basketball games and at the wrestling meet with Penn. However, the action of the past week when on two consecutive evenings certain groups of students "rushed" the movies, should certainly meet with the condemnation of all fair-minded members of the student body.

Fortunately, little damage was done on either evening, but this was more good luck than anything else. Moreover, in an affair of this kind, there is always the danger of injury to the women and children, not to mention the slight annoyance which is caused. And can this action by any chance be interpreted as fair play? The COLLEGIAN feels that it cannot. The management of the theatre has been absolutely fair to the students and what is more, we have been fortunate in seeing only the best and most recent pictures—something of which few college towns can boast.

The rush on Wednesday night seemed to be wholly a Freshman affair and it was apparently due to a mistaken idea among some of the first-year men that they can get away with things of this kind. The action on the previous evening, however, seems to be far less excusable. It is almost time that upperclassmen should at least try to protect the good name of the college and set a better example to Freshmen, and any act such as the one in question is a reflection upon every member of the student body.

Penn State should have no time for a reversion to rough-neck tactics and no place for those who persist in violating all of the rules of fair play. Rowdiness is not a sign of college spirit, as some would have us believe, nor is it a cloak for gentlemen. College men are supposed to be the latter, particularly Penn State-men. And can we ever expect a fair deal if we do not give one? Think it over.

THIS IS THE TIME

Since the COLLEGIAN first advocated the plan of erecting a Social Hall as a memorial to the boys from Penn State who have served and died in the great war, similar plans have been taken up at many other colleges and in nearly every case, they are meeting with enthusiastic support. The broadening of the original plan to include a gymnasium and thus make the building an enormous Union is also right in line with the view of other colleges, and no less than three institutions are contemplating just such a memorial.

And lest it appear as though the idea has been forgotten at Penn State, it might not be amiss to state that at the present time a committee composed of faculty members and students is at work on the proposition and that plans for a campaign will probably be evolved very soon. A meeting was held on Washington's Birthday when several prominent alumni were present and the plan was discussed from all angles.

The question as to whether it is better to attempt to put up a Union or to limit the memorial idea to a Social Hall is one that has caused considerable discussion, and the prevailing sentiment seems to be that if all efforts were centered on putting the Social Hall across, some other means might be provided for obtaining the gymnasium. However, one point which is universally agreed to is that the time to act is now. This is the psychological moment if we are ever to erect the memorial which everyone seems to desire.

The COLLEGIAN believes that if a money-getting campaign is begun this spring, emphasized at Commencement, and carried through the summer, that by next fall it is more than probable that building plans can be gotten under way. Any campaign of this nature must be short and intensive, not long drawn out, and if there is a goal in sight, such as the building itself within a year or so, the campaign will be more enthusiastically received both by students and by alumni.

The Senior Class has already expressed itself in favor of the idea by appointing a committee to consider the starting of the fund as the graduating classes of the past two years will be only too glad of an opportunity to turn the money for their memorials into the same fund. That will give the nucleus for further action and the COLLEGIAN believes that once the ball is started, there will be plenty of help to keep it rolling. But now is the time, and if we fail to act, the opportunity will never present itself again.

BOXING AS A SPORT

Boxing is gradually coming to the front at Penn State and undoubtedly several intercollegiate meets will be arranged for next year. Enough interest and enthusiasm have been manifested the past few weeks, both by spectators and candidates, that it is safe to say this sport will occupy a prominent place in Penn State's future athletics.

While boxing has been more or less popular the past several years, it was not until the War Department recently made the request to have it introduced into colleges and universities that it assumed its present prominence here. It is a fact worthy of more than passing notice, that, of the several hundred institutions of higher learning in the country, Penn State has been one of the first to carry out the suggestion of the government.

Under the leadership and coaching of "Dick" Harlow, a large number of students has engaged in this sport, and though inexperienced, they have shown the proper spirit in their willingness to

learn. Certainly it is no more than right that this sport should be supported and encouraged by the entire student body in order that it may be given a fair trial at Penn State.

Penn State is indeed fortunate in having been selected as the location for the Intercollegiate Wrestling Championships which will be held the latter part of this month. Although the baby member of the league, the Blue and White institution was unanimously elected to stage the bouts this year, and it is a particular honor because of the fact that we overwhelmingly won the championship last year. Teams will be here from Penn, Lehigh, Cornell, Columbia and Princeton and it is also expected that many visitors will be on hand for the bouts. It is up to Penn State to entertain these visiting athletes as only Penn State does know how to entertain and to show them every courtesy while they are here. And it might be well to add, that despite the reverses of the past two weeks, we have confidence that Coach Yerger's men will more than uphold the reputation of the Blue and White when the championships occur.

And we hereby want to take off our hats to Mr. Hugo Bezdek and his basketball team! After what promised to be a poor start on the first eastern trip, the team finally found itself and there have been nothing but victories recorded since. It is unfortunate that the Penn and Lafayette games came so early in the season, for we believe that the result might have been vastly different had the team played like they did last week against the sailors. No one can deny that the season was a success and the COLLEGIAN extends congratulations to the team and to its popular coach.

On the Corner

AND THE UMPIRE
CRIED "PLAY BALL!"

SPRING.
At least, we thought so last week but this weather is some CHANGE-ABLE!

Just like our BANK ACCOUNT
This is our weekly poem hit. No, it is not original.

Don't that just about express it? But never fear, dime rumor hath it that the S. A. T. C. veterans are to get sixty bucks per each. Gee, aren't some people lucky? Well, it was worth sixty to be exposed to it!

And not being any scholarship shark, we couldn't get one of them 'er scholarships, so we believe that any source of income is justifiable. Absolutely.

Ye Ed says if some of these sign-up subscriptions aren't paid soon, we'll all be needing the sixty bucks that sounded like a threat, and we almost turned in our resignation. Yes, we know you are sorry we DIDN'T.

SIGNS OF SPRING
Shows mud
Dare-headed Seniors.
Monthly quizzes
Spring milliners about the campus

Yep! We saw two new hats last Sunday. Now we KNOW Spring is here

Here's another secret. Don't tell a soul, BUT—we hear they make 'em themselves.

The Navy wrestlers made a mistake last Saturday. They forgot to throw our coach and manager. Quite an oversight.

But they really have some team. These are six teams in the Intercollegiate who are glad the Millies will not be here on the 29th.

SOMEONE'S always taking the joy out of life. Soon as Spring arrives and we get the fever, they tell us there will be FINALS this year.

However, after the way some profs. pull these final quizzes, exams will be a welcome RELIEF.

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There will be no chance for more than two a day! ... Now, dear reader, we can restrain ourselves no longer. The Spring bug has got us and we must burst forth into melodious song. Here goes Spring in love! Spring is here! They've cut out making larger beer. The one will come as the other goes-- Shut up, you fool, I'm nearly froze!

Yep. The weather changed before we could get the last line written!

And we know that the last word isn't grammatically correct, but that is what you call "poetic license."

It's different from other licenses--it doesn't cost you anything!

Gee, guess it is about time to stop. Why even the trees are LEAVING!

Missed me, doggone you, you missed me!

AGRICULTURAL NOTES

The third and fourth degrees were conferred at a meeting of the Penn State Grange held in Room 100, Horticultural Building, on Friday night, March 7. New candidates were also elected. After a good program had been rendered, refreshments were served.

Prof. Thomas L. Malra, superintendent of the correspondence courses and Professor of Agricultural Education, addressed the two-year agricultural bible class on Sunday morning, March 9, in Room 100, Horticultural Building. An other feature of the meeting was the discussion by the class on "The Farmer and His Religion."

Prof. Ernest L. Anthony, acting head of the Department of Dairy Husbandry, spent the past week on a trip to Pitsburgh and Wheeling, West Virginia, where he inspected several large dairy herds. It is expected that some additions will be made to the college herd in the near future.

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Looking Backward

(Week of March 12)

Twenty Years Ago

Dr. Atherton has been made First Counsellor of the American Academy of Political and Social Sciences.

On March 9, the Senior Mining Engineers accompanied by Prof. Henry Stock went to Scotia to inspect the ore washing plant there.

Work on the baseball team is progressing rapidly. The many applicants practice daily in the Army, and a successful season is anticipated.

Fifteen Years Ago

Because of many changes in the regulations, Captain Lawton resigned the Cadet Battalion and resumed drill in the spring much earlier than usual. It was thought that there would be about six companies, of forty-five men each, drilling. In order to increase the incentive it was decided to award permanently a sword to the banner company, as well as the Miss Lawton badge.

Ten Years Ago

The old Grand Stand on Old Beaver Field was moved up on the new athletic field where it was placed in its present location. On each side of it will be built bleachers so that there will be a total seating capacity of 1,200.

Five Years Ago

The Penn State negative and affirmative debaters won respectively from Dickinson and Swarthmore during this week. The question of Woman Suffrage was the subject of both debates, the former being held here and the latter at Swarthmore. A new style class hat was adopted by the class of 1916, the design being three short, white brims instead of the usual numerals.

FRESHMAN CLASS ELECTS MANAGERS OF TEAMS

At a meeting of the Freshman class held last Wednesday evening in the Amphitheatre, managers of the various class teams were elected. King was elected to manage the baseball team, Clough to manage the track team, Eaton to manage the tennis team, and altho a ballot was held for lacrosse manager, the result was a tie and another vote will have to be held in the future. Allebach was elected assistant cheer leader.

The names of the men of the class of 1920 who have won their numerals in the competition for membership on the committee which will design the class poster. There was no further business and the meeting was regularly adjourned.

COMING--"FALSE FACES"

A message of condolence in regard to the recent death of Richard Hayden '22, was read and accepted by the class. These resolutions will be sent to the parents of the deceased member. Announcement was also made concerning the competition for membership on the committee which will design the class poster. There was no further business and the meeting was regularly adjourned.

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ENGINEERING-NEWS

Ralph Hartman, who was a Sophomore in the Department of Electrical Engineering, has recently returned from flying service in France. He left Penn State in 1917 and received most of his training abroad. His first active service was around Paris in night flying when the boogie was bombing the city. Later he was sent into the Argonne district and put in the forefront of the air service. On one occasion, he fell from a height of 17,000 feet, but landed right side up. In another case, his gasoline line was cut by a machine gun bullet and he was compelled to fly to the ground, landing in the front line trenches of the American forces. He returned from France the latter part of February and was here for a visit over the week end. He will return to college next fall.

Professor E. D. Walker spoke to the engineering faculty at its monthly meeting, March 3rd, concerning his experiences in France. On Wednesday, he gave the engineering lecture to the Seniors and others, and described the various types of engineering work on which he was detailed while "Captain of Company A, 15th Engineers. The lecture was illustrated by maps and drawings of the railroad facilities on which he was employed and the water works project with which he was connected.

Active work has been begun on the foundations and basement for Unit C, which will be equipped as a forge and machine shop. This unit will be completed by September 1st and the equipment will be installed ready to operate. Plans for a new unit, known as Engineering A, are being prepared in Professor Webber's office. It will occupy the rear portion of the burned building and will accommodate the testing laboratory, masonry laboratory and highway laboratory, with computing rooms, class rooms and offices. Work on this building will begin before commencement and will be carried along with the work of Unit C.

Plans are being prepared by Professor Fessenden for a new steam engineering laboratory. It will probably be a one story structure, about 60 feet wide, with a gallery floor and a basement to provide for condensing apparatus. This building will house the steam engineering equipment, the gas engine laboratory and laboratories for fuel and oil testing.

FORMER STATE STUDENT NOW AT PEACE CONFERENCE

Charles Chener, ex-'18, of Hubertburg, is one of twenty young American soldiers who have been selected to do conversation work at the peace conference. He left Penn State in his Junior year to enlist in the Naval Reserves, and for some time was located at Newport, R. I., deciphering cablegrams that came in code form. Later he was made Admiral Sims private secretary in doing deciphering and in the fall sailed with the Admiral to London and from there went to Paris. Shortly before taking up his work at the peace conference, he made a visit to the battlefield.

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