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The Baseball Team Seems to Be Hitting Its Stride At Last

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Yes, We Will Be at the Big Mass Meeting on Friday Morning

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NEW RECREATION BUILDING TO BE CONSTRUCTED SOON

Proposed Plans Provide for Beginning Erection of Structure by End of Coming Summer

FURTHER DETAILS AT MASS MEETING FRIDAY

As a result of the "mass athletics" program recently adopted by the Department of Physical Education at the college, Penn State is going to have a new recreation building, which will serve the purpose during the winter months of adequately taking care of the athletic program which the department intends to develop. As announced in the COLLEGIAN a few weeks ago, work will undoubtedly begin on the new building before the close of the coming summer and once started it will not be long before it is completed.

According to the proposed plans, which have been accepted by the Board of Trustees of the college, the new structure will be four hundred feet long, one hundred feet wide and thirty feet to the first beams. To gain an adequate idea of the size of this building, it is only necessary to mention the fact that it will be about as large as Madison Square Garden in New York City; it will be four times as long as the present Armory, and it would take only about thirty-three of these buildings to reach from here to Lemont.

The new building will be constructed of steel and brick and will be entirely fire-proof. The front of the building will be two stories in height and in this section will be located the offices of the Department of Physical Education and any other such offices as may be needed. Immediately behind these will be a large gymnasium; in the center of this there will be a permanent wooden floor which will be large enough for the laying out of three basketball courts. Surrounding these will be a dirt track on one side of which there will be a 100-yard straightaway. The other floor space of the gymnasium will be of dirt and will be equipped in such a manner that indoor exercises of all kinds may be held, when the weather does not permit outdoor work. Curtains will divide this space into baseball cages, and special sections will also be marked out for football, track and other sports.

An important feature of the new building will be the construction of a swimming pool. The need of this has long been felt at Penn State and efforts were made many times to have one constructed. Each time the plans failed to materialize. However, the swimming pool is an addition which is now being planned and will be building in the rear of the recreation building. This pool will be eighty feet long and forty feet wide, and will be up-to-date in every respect so that a large number of students may be accommodated at one time.

On one side of the building, a large two-story wing will be constructed and this will contain locker and shower facilities. There will be enough of these to take care of the entire student body as well as members of the faculty. Dressing rooms will also be provided in order to accommodate the entire student body and the faculty. The wing will also contain the men's and women's rest rooms and the men's and women's rest rooms. The wing will also contain the men's and women's rest rooms and the men's and women's rest rooms.

DR. SPARKS HONORED BY AMBULANCE UNIT

College President Receives Recognition for Splendid Work in Behalf of U. S. A. A. C. Men

The following letter, recently received by President Sparks from C. W. Edgett, Penn State '17, who was a member of the Penn State Ambulance Unit serving with the Italian army, gives recognition to the splendid work done by the college president in behalf of the ambulance men and confers a distinct honor upon him. The letter is as follows:

"As a slight remembrance of your over-enthusiasm and active interest in the members of the Penn State Section of the United States Army Ambulance Service, the boys have elected you an Honorary Member of their peace time organization. This U. S. A. A. C. Association is made up of all men who served at any time with the Ambulance Service, and the honorary members are the chosen friends of the men in the service.

"You will remember that Section 529 had its origin in the unit organized June 1, 1917 in the old Armory at State. They remained over a year in training at Camp Crane, Altoona, and worked for nearly a year in Italy with the Italian Army. We returned to America late in April and were mustered out at Camp Dix. We remained during the two years predominantly State men; and so far as we know were the only organization claiming to represent Penn State in the Service.

"The men fully appreciate your interest in the section, your visiting us in camp, and securing for us the privilege of the two months' work at college during the winter of '17-'18; and have taken this method of slight recompense.

"I am enclosing the Association medal and membership certificate. On behalf of the men formerly of Section 529, United States Army Ambulance Service, I am,

Very Sincerely,
CLAUDD W. EDGETT,
Section Secretary."

ALL - Big Booster Mass Meeting - OUT

Hear Shields '92, Heppenstall '95, Mitchell '90, Meek '90, Hewitt '03, and Others

at the big Booster Mass Meeting on Friday and get the dope on Penn State's new Recreation Hall which will soon be erected.

As large as Madison Square Garden
Swimming Pool
Lockers and showers for all men and women students and faculty members
A 100-yard straightaway indoors
Room for 2,500 students at one time

Penn State's Biggest Event. Friday, 11:10 a. m. Auditorium

INTERSCHOLASTIC MEET ON SATURDAY

Large Number of Entries Expected to Register by Tonight—Holiday Granted by College

Plans for the annual interscholastic track meet to be held this coming Saturday on New Beaver Field have been completed and indications point to a very successful meet. Entries have been very slow in coming in. Indiana Normal and the Fishers in terms being the only contestants in Class A so far, in Class D there were enrolled on Monday night seven teams, representing the high schools of Lewisburg, Harrisburg, Tech, Williamsport, Altoona, Mansfield, and Kingston. It is expected that many more will have registered by tonight.

PENN BOXERS WIN FIRST DUAL MEET

McFadden and Aiken Only Penn State Men to Win—Heavyweight Bout Proves Surprize

Regularly scheduled boxing tournament over held in collegiate circles, the University of Pennsylvania team defeated Penn State's boxers last night in a dual meet at the Pennsylvania gymnasium by the score of four to two. The bouts in almost every case were closely contested and several surprising results came about. McFadden and Aiken were the only Penn State men to come through with a victory, although the 125-pound bout was very closely contested, the decision going to Penn's representative.

PENN STATE READY FOR LEBANON VALLEY NINE

Blue and White Line-up on Saturday Will Be About the Same as on Eastern Trip

The second home baseball game of the season will be played on New Beaver field Saturday afternoon at three-thirty, when Lebanon Valley will be the attraction. The Ann Harbor collegians have played excellent ball all year and have given some fine exhibitions of field and base work. They have not met Penn State on the diamond for several years and since the latter has a record of three victories and no defeats with this team in games of past seasons, the visitors will endeavor to raise their average by giving the Blue and White nine a hard fight on Saturday. The work of the Penn State team of late has been of the highest quality and its strength is not so much in the batting as it is in the field. The lineup for the game will be composed of virtually the same men who have appeared in the preceding games. The infield will be exactly the same with Wolfe at first base, Daubitz at third, Korb at short-stop and Killinger at second. Craig will appear behind the bat, while either Krogue, Gramley, Hunter or Thomas will be on the mound. Mitten and Knapp are sure of their places in the field and the other fielder will be selected from Gramley, Traubner, and Friedman.

OVER \$28,000 IN VICTORY BONDS RAISED BY R. O. T. C.

A campaign for subscribers to the Victory Loan was begun recently by the R. O. T. C. and was concluded last week. The total at present is about twenty-eight thousand dollars but it is expected that more will be reported before the final report is sent in. Company F of the second battalion heads the list with \$17,700 in its credit. Many of the students have not received word from home regarding the amount that was subscribed in their favor and this will raise the amount considerably.

NEW HEAD CHOSEN FOR DAIRY DEPT.

Professor A. A. Borland to Take Charge of Work in Department of Animal Husbandry

Professor Andrew A. Borland has been elected Professor of Dairy Husbandry at State College, succeeding Professor Fred Rasmussen who was recently appointed State Secretary of Agriculture.

VARSITY MAKES CLEAN SWEEP

Army and Lafayette Nines Fall Before Penn State—Bucknell Game Postponed

The Penn State baseball team continued its winning streak when it won all the games played on the eastern tour, defeating West Point Military Academy and Lafayette College. The Army was met last Wednesday and Lafayette was played on Friday. A game had been scheduled with Bucknell at Lewisburg on Saturday, but it was cancelled on account of the rain. On Thursday the team was the guest of the New York Giants and saw the Boston Braves win from the metropolitan club.

DR. SPARKS' CONDITION IS GREATLY IMPROVED

Letter from Penn State's President to "Collegian" Says Health is Rapidly Returning to Normal

The following letter which was received by the COLLEGIAN from President Sparks will be read by all Penn State students and faculty members with great interest.

Galen Hill, Wernersville, Pa. May 7, 1919.

Dear Sir:

Though my daughter, who has just come from the college, I learn of your kind inquiries concerning my progress toward normal conditions. I appreciate beyond the power of expression the kind attitude of students and faculty and this solicitude is manifested, I take it, in the inquiries of the COLLEGIAN. I grow stronger and sturdier every day as witnessed by the fact that I am now able to write by my own hand, although quite nervous as yet. The doctors have agreed to let me go home next week for a few days but they forbid any mental work at present.

Honor Society Elections

The Pomona Grange will hold sessions at State College on Saturday morning and afternoon. All fourth degree members are eligible to attend. On Saturday afternoon at three o'clock the fifth degree will be given to candidates.

LIQUOR PAW ELECTIONS

L. S. Conover '20 I. W. Brown '20
R. D. Mills '20 J. B. Maginnis '20

SKULL AND BONES ELECTIONS

G. A. Sneyd '21 G. M. McMillan '21
H. P. Foster '20 J. B. Downing '21
N. R. Korb '21 Paul Grimes '21
R. K. Williams '21 C. E. Mowier '21

PRIAR ELECTIONS

F. C. Watson '22 J. R. Traphoner '22
C. J. Teege '22 H. T. Mackenzie '22
A. K. Wilson '22 W. W. Rungely '22

DRUIDS ELECTIONS

Fred Ritts '22 J. R. Hunter '22
F. T. Ryan '22 A. H. Knabb '22
C. W. Heppenstall, Jr. '22 G. V. Knapp '22
Samuel Friedman '22 J. J. Kroeg '22
R. R. MacDonald, '22 A. L. Keator, '22

EXTENSIVE SYSTEM OF MASS ATHLETICS PLANNED

Coach Bezdek Presents Proposal to Board of Trustees to Provide Physical Recreation for Every Student

PRESENT FACILITIES ARE INEFFICIENT

In order that every student, alumnus, and faculty member may thoroughly understand the system of mass athletics which the Department of Physical Education plans to develop at Penn State, and in order that each may get a general idea of the functions of a Department of Physical Education at Penn State, and the facilities and equipment needed for the execution of such a plan, the COLLEGIAN publishes the following extracts from a report by Professor Hugo Bezdek to the members of the Committee of Board of Trustees on the Department of Physical Education.

At a recent meeting in New York City, the National Collegiate Athletic Association, composed of faculty representatives of over one hundred colleges and universities in the country, went on record as favoring Federal laws, establishing and supervising physical education in the public schools with due consideration of facilities, equipment and staff. Acts have already been passed in many states for compulsory physical education in all types of schools. Two bills are now before the Legislature of Pennsylvania to establish required physical education in all schools receiving state aid.

At the Pennsylvania State College, the demand by the military authorities (during the days of the S. A. T. C.) for physical exercise for each student was so great, that the faculty council rearranged the daily program so that the hour from four-thirty to five-thirty was set aside for mass athletics.

DEBATERS CLOSE SUCCESSFUL YEAR

Pitt Girls Defeated in Auditorium as Penn State Men Win from Blue and Gold at Pittsburgh

The Penn State debating team closed a remarkably successful season last Friday evening when both the women's and men's teams won victories over the University of Pittsburgh. At the same time the men's team defeated the strong Blue and Gold team in Pittsburgh, the girls gained the decision of the judges in a debate with the Pitt girls held in the Auditorium this making a record of four victories and on debate for the year. The question of the debate was "Resolved: That twenty-one months after the conclusion of peace, Congress should provide for government ownership and operation of the railroads of the United States." Both debates were closely contested since neither were the decision of the judges unanimous.

The girls' team representing Penn State was composed of Misses A. R. Lyndon '19, M. E. Lewis '20, and M. P. Lloyd '21, while Pitt's debaters were Misses Molly Davidson, Mary Thompson, Eva Shamburg, and Dora Dieckman. Miss Sammons, Dean of women, presided over the debate and also acted as the moderator. The girls of the Birmingham school for girls and Miss Hill, of Bellefonte Academy, were the judges. The men's team was the same as the one which defeated Colgate, being composed of W. W. Patchell '19, W. P. Harkins '20 and W. C. Benedict '20, while B. F. Sacknow, H. F. Waring, and H. C. Fiesinger were the members of the Pitt team. The judges of this debate were W. C. Wallace, president of the Westminster College, J. M. Keith, of Indiana State Normal, and C. E. Dickey, of the Board of Education of Pittsburgh.

The affirmative arguments which the Blue and White debaters have been using are that private ownership and operation of the railroads have proved to be failures and that some change in the system is absolutely necessary for the betterment of not only industrial but also social and political conditions. Although federal ownership will not be welcomed by many people it has worked out in practice in other countries and should be tried here. On negative side it may be said that it is in this country that the railroads have flourished and that political failures would be sure to creep into the management. A further argument stated that although the proposed system would satisfy the laborer it would destroy initiative and competition and bring about discontent among the larger class of people. It was further stated that with strict regulation the present system may be made of great enough efficiency so as not to warrant any change.

CELEBRATION MAY BE HELD NEXT WEEK

Local Men in 28th Division Are Expected to Arrive Within Few Days—Big Reception Planned

The plans for the joint celebration by the town and the college to be held upon the arrival of the local men in the 28th Division, A. E. F., have been completed and present a great time for the people of State College and the vicinity. A holiday will be declared and all other activities will probably cease, so that the local people may do honor to the men who played such a prominent part in the great war. An extensive parade will be held and numerous activities are being arranged for.

1918 MEN, ATTENTION

There will be an important meeting of all 1918 men now in college in Room 111 Old Main to-night at six forty-five o'clock. All members of the class are urgently requested to attend in order to discuss plans for the commencement reunion and celebration.

SENIOR DANCE

Program for the senior dance, which will be held at the Odd Fellows Hall Saturday, May seventeenth, will be on sale at the Co-op tonight, tomorrow night and Friday night.

GRANGE MEETING

The Penn State Grange will hold its regular meeting Friday evening, May 16th, at 8 o'clock, in 100 Horticultural Building. The third and fourth degrees will be given at eight p. m. After that "rats". Every Granger out.