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WHAT KIND OF PENN STATE MAN ARE YOU?

There has been considerable talk this fall of a revival of the old Penn State Spirit among the members of the student body. It is freely admitted that there is an urgent need for such a revival and that the sooner it comes, the better it will be for Penn State. But has the old spirit been revived as yet? IT HAS NOT!

When a bunch of Sophomores and upperclassmen sit in the stands and do nothing but laugh at the players and criticize their work, it is almost time for drastic action. Penn State is fast developing into a strong member of the PANNER'S LEAGUE and the toleration of such criticism proves conclusively that the old spirit has not been revived. In the days when there was a real PENN STATE SPIRIT, such action on the part of a few individuals would have precipitated a riot in a struggle to lay hands on the offender.

The COLLEGIAN is in favor of appointing a committee of about 200 upperclassmen who have the right ideals and who love Penn State to take posts throughout the stands and to eject anyone who holds the team up to ridicule or who goes fit to criticize. Next time YOU want to criticize, ask yourself why you are not out there giving your best to your Alma Mater like the men on the squad. PENN STATE SPIRIT? Bah! where is it? We want to be shown!

BEWARE OF T. N. E.

There is an organization at Penn State which is known as T. N. E.—Theta Nu Epsilon. While it goes under the name of a national organization and claims to be a chapter thereof, it is nevertheless very doubtful whether its claims would be substantiated. It holds its meetings clandestinely, it works in the dark, it refuses to come out into the open, and if there is any man, underhand work going on which is detrimental to the best interests of Penn State, it is a safe bet that T. N. E. is at the bottom of it.

Last year extreme efforts were made to stamp out its existence and its members decided for the time being that they had better "lie low." Certain occurrences in the immediate past, however, have indicated that the organization intends to try to "come back" this year. To the entire student body and especially to the new men, warning is hereby given to beware of T. N. E., never to consider membership in it nor any other similar organization, and if any one has already been inveigled, either under true or false pretenses, to become a member, to get out of it in the shortest possible order.

Many years ago faculty action ruled T. N. E. out of Penn State and it has never been recognized since. It has nevertheless continued to exist sub rosa and if there is such a thing as college Bolshevism, then T. N. E. is that malady in its worst form. Were the organization worth while, it would surely be recognized by the college authorities along with the other societies and fraternities. It is a very dangerous thing, therefore, to belong to any such unrecognized organization.

In order to know just how Penn State's student body regards T. N. E., it may be well to bear in mind that:

The six honorary societies of Penn State, namely Lion's Paw, Skull and Bones, Parini Nons, Sphinx, Druids, and Friars, will refuse to admit or keep any student who is a member of, or who is suspected of being affiliated with T. N. E., or any similar organization.

Student Council will not permit any known past or present members of T. N. E. or similar organization, to serve on any of the student governing bodies, namely, Student Board, Student Council, Student Tribunal, and Honorary Committee.

The national and local social and honorary fraternities of Penn State will expel from their membership any who are affiliated with T. N. E., or similar organization.

And finally, the Faculty Committee on Student Publications and Social Activities will suspend from college any student discovered to be connected with T. N. E., or similar organization, which exists contrary to the ruling of the college.

There have been numerous cases in the past and there will be more in the future where students who have been engaged in college activities have failed to be elected to fraternities or honorary societies, simply because they had been or were connected with T. N. E. Taking all in all into consideration, membership in such an organization, or similar one, is a costly proposition, which all must shun.

It scarcely seems possible in these post-war days, when Penn State is bending every effort toward reconstruction and when her prospects for the future seem so bright, that there are certain of her students, who are narrow enough, bigoted enough, and so deep in the mire, that they are members of an organization which is bending every effort to destroy that which the alma mater is striving to attain.

SUGGESTED NEEDS

The crowded state of affairs in town has brought to light the need of improvements along certain lines. When large numbers of students line up and wait in relays to be served in the restaurants, is it not time for wide-awake citizens to seriously consider the proposition of opening more public eating houses?

And when the rooming conditions of the town are such that many students were unable to find rooms for several days and a large number in fact returned to their homes, while over five hundred were refused admission to the college for the same reason, is it not time for the governmental authorities of the State of Pennsylvania to take action and give this college a sufficient appropriation for buildings, which will prevent a recurrence of similar conditions in the future?

It is to be regretted that the buildings appropriation for the next two years is so small, for it means that Penn State must remain in a stationary position for two years, while other institutions of education will be on the advance.

And right here we might state that the crowded rooming conditions do not seem to be any reason for certain townspeople to be charging three to five dollars a week per student for lodging. Certainly the cost of keeping roomers has not advanced to such a degree as to warrant the charging of such an exorbitant price.

CHALKING SIDEWALKS

The chalking of sidewalks as a means of advertising is again coming into prominence. It seems, however, that this method appears just as untidy as the custom last year of posting signs on every available tree on the campus and then allowing them to be torn down eventually by the elements.

Two years ago Student Council took action intended to discourage

the chalking of sidewalks and buildings with notices of minor importance. At that time a motion was passed placing Council on record as being opposed to the use of chalk on sidewalks and the steps of college buildings for the advertising of anything that did not directly refer to class, athletic or general college business. This step was taken in an attempt to eliminate the excessive advertising of that kind by numerous county clubs and societies.

There are at the present time a number of bulletin boards for the posting of such notices, and if these are not sufficient the college will undoubtedly gladly provide more. Clean sidewalks and signless trees add much to the beauty of the campus.

FRESHMAN PRACTICE BEGINS IN EARNEST

Inasmuch as Coach "Dutch" Herman has been busy in negotiating with the faculty, he has not been able to spend much time with the Freshman football squad as yet. Since the return of Coach Dezelok on Monday, however, work for the yearling men has begun in earnest and in a few days practice will take such shape as will prepare them for the opening game of the season on Saturday, October twenty-fifth, with Indiana Normal.

The first hard work done by the youngling squad was that of going down the field under punts, and in this most of the men showed up well. The Dezelok system of coaching which is being used for the varsity squad will also be used for Freshmen. Among the candidates who have shown a good grade of football ability are Hess, Shuster, Bolenik, Park and Ashenfeller.

So far fourteen men have been dropped from the squad, but as almost a like number have been added, there is still about the same number of men on the squad. Candidates will be added and dropped from time to time until each has had a chance. The final squad will number between thirty and forty.

Shortage of equipment is still providing a handicap but this will be remedied as soon as the varsity squad is cut down, at which time the new men will receive the outfit released by the men dropped.

YERGER TO GO TO NORTH CAROLINA

Mr. H. C. Yerger, assistant professor of Dairy (Husbandry), has resigned his position to enter commercial work with the White Ice Cream Company of Raleigh, North Carolina. Mr. Yerger has

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A large number of old men and promising new candidates reported for baseball practice on New Beaver Field on Friday of last week, following a call issued by Manager McCallum. Prospects are bright for a banner year on the diamond as most of last year's players will be on the squad, and there are several likely looking men coming out for the first time who will fight hard for a berth on the varsity line-up next spring.

Regular practice has now commenced and the men are showing up well. McNeil, at second, and Grubb, in the outfield, are playing good ball. At present, Captain Koch, a veteran of last year's squad, is coaching the squad. It is doubtful whether "Doc" Wheeling will be here next year to direct operations and possibly the lot of coach will fall on Hugo Dezelok. There will be no fall schedule played this year, but the early practice will enable the coaches to get a line on the candidates and better the chances for a strong team next spring.

AGRICULTURAL NOTES

Professors H. G. Parkinson and F. T. Slack were in Pennsylvania working in cooperation with Mr. L. H. Dennis of the State Department of Education in connection with teachers' training work for teachers of vocational agriculture. A series of these meetings will be held in Pennsylvania so as to reach every teacher of vocational agriculture in the state.

Mr. W. S. Taylor of the Rural Life Department in Monroe County this week was working on problems pertaining to his department.

RADIO STATION WILL NOT BE ERRECTED HERE

The high power radio station, which was to have been erected on the college grounds back of the Stock Judging Pavilion, will not be built. It was to have been the site for the Bellefonte aerial mail station and was being placed at State College in order to be a safe distance away. Had the high towers been erected in the vicinity of Bellefonte, there would have been great danger of the aviators striking them with disastrous consequences on foggy mornings.

The station here would have consisted of two masts, 150 feet in height, but recent experiments have demonstrated the success of low antennae. As a result, the towers, which will be only about forty feet high, will be built at Bellefonte, in close proximity to the landing field.

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