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TO THE TEAM

On Thursday, November twenty-seventh, you are going to play the final game of the 1919 football schedule. In many respects it is going to be the hardest game of the season, for Pitt will be especially strong on her home field on Thanksgiving Day. For some of you it is going to be the last game that you will ever play as a Blue and White undergraduate.

The COLLEGIAN expresses the sentiment of the entire student body when it tells you to go into that game and play your best. While it is almost needless to tell you that we nevertheless wish you to feel that we are behind you to the last man. You are about to finish the hardest schedule ever arranged for a Penn State eleven and you have come through this hard season with a record surpassingly brilliant. This year you have seen, in comparison with which the old fades away. You have won the confidence and admiration of the entire college and in the Thanksgiving game you will not lack student support.

The chances of defeating Pitt next week are the brightest in years. If it can not be done now, then we believe it never can be done. For six successive years, the Pitt panther has twisted the tail of the Nittany lion. This is the year for the turn of the tide. Nevertheless, it is far from being an easy proposition. It will be a battle from start to finish and the score will undoubtedly be small. We are counting upon you to do just a "little better than the best" and we believe that you will come through.

A CALL FOR GENTLEMEN

Before the next issue of the COLLEGIAN appears, about fifty per cent of the student body will have demonstrated whether they are gentlemen or—anything but gentlemen. In the majority of cases in the past, they have demonstrated that they belong to the latter class. Judgment in the matter will depend upon their attitude this year. What we are driving at is the unaccountable lack of foresight which characterized the male students in the past at vacation time. Will different results be obtained this year? We surely hope so.

Since Thanksgiving vacation lasts until Monday noon, a very large number of students who return via Lemont will come back on the morning train up on Monday following Thanksgiving. On the same train there will be a very large majority of the girls. In the past the custom has been for the male students to dash madly from the train, hurl themselves like human catapults into automobiles and then demand to be driven to the college. The girls usually were able to be transported after all the fellows had come up. The fact that some of the co-eds were forced to stand at Lemont from one to two hours seemed to be a matter of small importance.

This year it is hoped that conditions will be different. The COLLEGIAN feels that the girls should be given first consideration. And if the fellows do not forget for the time being that they are gentlemen, the co-eds will receive this consideration. We can only state that any man who steps from that train and enters a car before he is sure that all the girls have been provided for is absolutely no gentleman—in fact, we would hesitate to give the name which would apply to him.

Penn State Spirit! Everyone knows what the attitude of the world would be, were the cry on a sinking vessel: "Men to the lifeboats! Women remain behind." And just because the matter is on a smaller scale, although the principle involved is just as important, does not in the least alter cases. Let us show this much vaunted Penn State spirit of which we are so proud, and let us set a precedent in this matter which shall be as lasting as the fame of Penn State!

DO WE NEED MORE SINGING?

An eminent alumnus has contributed the following, taken from a clipping in a New York paper's write-up of the Penn-Penn State game. "The intermission was filled with singing 'The Red and the Blue,' 'Hail Pennsylvania,' and the strangely optimistic 'Drink a Blueball at Nightfall,' being answered by State's one and only chant, 'Ye chorus of which was built upon the suggestive words, 'Fight, fight, fight.'"

Unfortunately, most of the write-ups which appeared as dispatches sent out from Philadelphia or in newspapers of that city, mostly before the game and a few afterward, failed to do Penn State justice, and we believe that the above could be placed in that class.

However, is there not just a grain of truth in the criticism? About the only songs that have been sung this year are "Alma Mater," "Victory," and "Blue and White." "Victory" has been and still is intensely popular; but by singing it all the time we are not doing justice to the other Penn State songs. Why not, by way of variation, sing once in a while "Hail to Old State," "College Medley," "Win Again, Today," "Pennsylvania State," and "Hail, Pennsylvania State." By so doing, future criticisms like the above will be avoided, for such criticisms simply mean, either get some more songs or learn the ones we have.

For the maintenance of the fair name of this college, the co-operation of every student is requested in the elimination of an evil, which unfortunately has risen to such a point that it has become a really serious menace; the matter referred to is "cheating." Why such a condition exists, we do not know. Whether it is being done as a prank, whether it is the work of an organized gang, whether a few individuals are the guilty parties, is not known. But it simply has to be cut out. And to have it cut out means that every one must co-operate actively, using his own judgement as to the best method of accomplishing the desired result.

NEWS FROM OTHER COLLEGES

PENNSYLVANIA—At a meeting of the Undergraduate Council, held recently, plans were made for two important movements in the University. They are an all-university honor code and the limiting of the number of extra-curricular activities to be carried by any one student.

PRINCEGEON—A wireless telephone outfit has been set up in the college laboratory, and a great many interesting facts have been ascertained.

CORNELL—The Cornell Debate Union has been organized, and a number of intercollegiate debates have been scheduled for this winter.

BUFFALO—Buffalo has been elected a member of the Middle Atlantic State Athletic Association and has also received an invitation to attend the annual cross-country run held by the association at Lafayette this is an event in which local college track men

have been hoping to enter and the word received by Graduate Manager. **PRINCEGEON**—A new hall, taken recently at Princeton on the League of Nations subject, the majority of the students declared themselves to be in favor of the adoption of the covenant with reservations.

LEHIGH—Lehigh is represented this year by a strong cross-country team. A number of hard meets have been scheduled, including Rutgers, the intercollegiate meet at Easton, and Lafayette.

PENNSYLVANIA—Over thirty men have reported to Coach Riggs to try out for the Penn Wrestling team. Among these there is a lot of very likely material and under the coaching of Riggs and Captain Gerson, the University should be represented by a strong team this year.

The Letter Box

AN ANSWER TO "MONOPOLY"
The Editor,
Penn State Collegian,
State College, Pa.

Dear Sir:
Replying to your last week's article by V. A. P. '22, it might be well to state that Darwin also proves that the more intelligent species have the greater privileges. Why should the Frosh not give the street to passing Sophs and upperclassmen? It is the small town Frosh who walk in the middle of the pavement instead of to one side. However, in no case could "swinging from tree-top to tree-top" injure the Frosh. It would likely be the means of eliminating G. M. True. If all the Froshes "swung" to Ar Hill, New trees would have to be planted once in a while but that would give the landscape gardeners a chance to try some of their brilliant ideas.

Seriously though, are customs monopolies? If the Froshmen are so weak that co-eds must humiliate their cause, isn't it time for some strenuous exercise to make men, not monkeys, of them?
Sincerely yours,
K. F. M. '22.

"U" CLUB MEMBERS TO HOLD CHRISTMAS FROLIC

The University Club will hold its annual Christmas Frolic on the evening of December 23rd, at the University Club. The program will consist of a Musical Costume Ball, starting at seven o'clock in the evening, there will be five hours of solid fun for the moment. A list of those who are to attend are urged to be at least inquired.

CORNELL FROSH DOWN PENN STATE YEARLINGS

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the hands of Carey. With unerring precision the pigskin shot forth from his hands for gains which led to touchdowns.

The game opened with Penn State receiving the ball. Rettinger returned it to the twenty-yard line on an end run. Murray made a bad pass which went over the goal line. Carey took a safety for Cornell. With the ball on the twenty-yard line, and after a few short gains Hess got away for forty yards through guard. Rettinger kept smushing at the line, carrying the ball to the five-yard line and finally over for a touchdown.

Cornell received the kick-off but after several futile attempts found it impossible to get through the yearlings line. They then launched a forward pass attack which proved the undoing of Penn State. On two successive forward passes they managed to carry the ball from their own thirty-yard line to their opponents' twenty-five. The line was tried again but no gain was made. Another forward pass resulted in a score. The final result in a game scored from touchdowns, making the score at the end of the first half, Penn State Freshmen, 14, Cornell Freshmen 9.

During the third period neither side scored, although the Penn State Freshmen managed to carry the pigskin inside the twenty-yard line but were held for downs. The final scoring which won the game for Cornell came from another forward pass and a drop kick. About a minute before time was over, Carey made a beautiful drop kick which settled the final score at Penn State Freshmen 11, Cornell Freshmen 19.

The line-up:
State Fresh Cornell Fresh
Parent.....left end.....Munn
McMann.....left tackle.....Grant
Coffield.....left guard.....Davidson
Murray.....center.....Miller
Bedenk.....right guard.....Hanson
Ashenfelter.....right tackle.....Adams
Schlesinger.....right end.....Lynch
Rettinger.....quarter back.....Carey
Hafford.....left half back.....Kne
Hess.....right half back.....Schleibler
Battersby.....full back.....Mason
Substitutions: Park for Schlesinger, Spurr for Murray.

Dean Warnock Explains Idea of College "Union"

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held in a half hour without any announcement except the whispered order. I have also known a popular vote taken on an emergency matter in the middle of the night in only a slightly longer time.

The general functions of the Union are roughly four: 1st, self-government. 2nd, promotion of the college and its broad student activities, 3rd, promotion of social living among men students, and 4th, harnessing the resources and power of the student body in support of the president of the college and its board of trustees in advancing the corporate interests of the college.

A few sentences will explain each of these:
1. Student government at Penn State within the limits in which it is active, is extraordinarily thorough. The machinery now in use would likely remain the same and become an integral part of such a Union. If formed, its powers and influences would be even more greatly strengthened by reason of its connection with other successful branches of the Union.

2. The many organized activities, like the Theatricals, the Glee Club, publications, professional societies, and county clubs, which now have an up-and-down existence, might profitably be more or less loosely attached to a central body which would have its inherent strength added to by the sponsorship of the popular Union. The Union trademark would be good advertising.

3. Social committees, with several sub-committees, would have the duty of promoting social intercourse among all of the men with the purpose of aiding them the more pleasantly and profitably to enjoy their hours of leisure, and also with the worthy aim of training in social behavior, which not only would tend to make the finer representatives of the Penn State type, but also would enable them the more readily to "market their wares" when they went out into the markets of the world. Almost nothing of this sort is done at Penn State now for the whole student body. The training which the fraternity men receive gives them an unfair advantage in this respect over the non-fraternity men.

This kind of activity takes the form of mixers, dances, vaudeville shows, games, like checkers and meetings of all kinds. It is a paying enterprise, too. (The Illinois Union makes a yearly profit of \$2000 from its all-university dance, and from \$500 to \$800 from one of its monthly vaudeville shows.) A good Penn State vaudeville show, costing very little for production, would sell out the auditorium at movie prices, and would give them a better entertainment than the movies.

4. As the union grows old it gains a substantial alumni and faculty associate membership. Both faculty and alumni have a legitimate concern in the character of the undergraduate life. These two interests, along with the undergraduate interests, are usually centered in a board of trustees, or an advisory board, composed of student alumni, and faculty representatives. This board gives continuity to the Union—carries its growth from year to year. A student administration is a flower that buds, blooms, and dies away in a few months season. The board of trustees is like the stem or root, which stores up each season's growth, puts forth each new season's venture, and especially, insures that the blossoms of the new season will resemble somewhat the flowers of the past. (One never

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"SAM" HIGGINBOTTOM TELLS ABOUT INDIA

It was the privilege of the people of State College to hear Mr. "Sam" Higginbottom, the famous agricultural missionary to India, last Tuesday evening in the Auditorium. He was in charge of one of the American missions which maintains an agricultural experiment station at Allahabad, India, and has just returned to this country, after completing a three years' contract as the agricultural supervisor of the native state of Gwalior, one of the largest and most important in India.

The spoke of living conditions in India and told what is being done to relieve the suffering among the lower classes. The Indian people are on the whole an underfed race. Millions of them make a meal on a handful of raw grain soaked in water, and some do not even get enough to eat. Every year a large percentage of the children die from lack of food. The only way to relieve this state of affairs is not to give them money or food, but to give them the means to produce the amount of food. What is needed is a vocational education and an eighty per cent of the people are engaged in farming of some kind. It should be trained along that line. The government is not yet fully alive to the necessity of this, but it is watching the work being done by the mission schools and is rapidly becoming convinced. The school at Allahabad, by modern farming methods, has raised the yield of some crops as much as three and four hundred per cent. It also takes native boys and trains them

in modern farming methods. These boys go back to villages and show the natives the better way to farm. The way of helping the Indians to help themselves is the only way to alleviate their condition, and it is a noble thing for the American Missions to do. They are in truth following the injunction of the "Man of Galilee" to feed the hungry, and give drink to the thirsty.

This roughly is the Union idea. If the Penn State students should like to try it out, I feel confident of its success. And personally I believe it has a legitimate place in student life. The normal student cannot profitably spend more than 64 to 65 busy hours a week in class recitation and preparation. In this time he will use his store of nervous and mental energy. Stealing and loafing are not profitable. This leaves a big third of his week for leisure—for recreation, physical exercise, and cultural training. It is in this third of his life that the college man largely defines his character and personality, builds up his body, and refines his culture, reverence, love, loyalty, and literary and artistic appreciation.

There are too many colleges that give the highest-grade education to make it possible for the observer to guess a man's alma mater by a mark on his brains. But the apparent differences between men, between State and Pitt men, Harvard and Yale men and Michigan and Wisconsin men, have been marked indelibly during these unproductive hours of extra-curricular activity.

How are State men spending their recreational third? Are we all satisfied with the mark which their present way of living is stamping on them? Is it well-defined and does it differ among classes and groups? In any case, are we sure that this hedge-podge method of training State men will suffice for the larger future?

I hope that we may all think over and discuss these points during the wintery nights about to come.
A. R. WARNOCK.

D. L. SPARKS PUBLISHES INTERESTING PAMPHLET

A pamphlet entitled "The Lincoln-Douglas Debates" edited and compiled by President Sparks has just been published. It is the first publication that President Sparks has written out for some time for his work in the interests of the college has been consuming his entire time up until his illness. Among other things President Sparks has also published a book entitled "The Expansion of the American People" and another, "The Man Who Made the Nation" both of which have been very popular. The pamphlet is listed as one of the President's Pamphlet Series and is published by Hall & McCrery, Chicago, Ill.

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