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LIBRARY BOOKS

For some time a very annoying practice has been being carried on at the expense of the officials of the local library and a number of fellow students, through the medium of other students of the college. This is the matter of taking reserved books and also reference books from the library without signing for them, or making known to anyone that the books are being taken out.

Evidently those students who have removed books from the library in this unlawful manner have done so in an unscrupulously selfish manner. There can be little doubt but what they knew what they were doing and why they were doing it. It seems barely possible that one could be so wrapped up in one's own interests as to remove material from a certain place where a whole class or group of classes know this material was to be found. True, this removing of books without the consent of the librarian, whether they are reserve shelf books or reference books in some other part of the library, makes easy work for the individual who does it. He has the book in his room, and when he feels in the mood, can begin to extract the information from it which he desires. He doesn't think of the number of students who might be making use of that certain book while it lies unused upon his study at his room. The whole matter has been one which has long tried the patience of the library officials, the teachers who have given the reference work to be done and students who have conscientiously attempted to get the work done. Evidently the student who has removed these books has never thought of the matter as being one meriting criminal punishment. Yet, this is the case. The books are not to be removed unless the individual signs for them and in many cases, there is a specified time when he can remove them. Removal at any other time is a criminal offense and punishable by law.

But, law will not remedy the evil. Only one remedy can be used, and that is the honor system. The student is trusted in his use of the library books, the same as he is trusted when taking an examination or as the athlete is trusted not to divulge his team's tactics. There is no reason why at Penn State, of all places, such a deplorable condition as this should exist. It is to be hoped that the honor system can be made to extend over all things. It is a part of a student's life in respect to one phase. The COLLEGIAN believes that this matter of removing books is not prevalent among the student body as a whole, but that there are a number of individuals who have been indulging in its practice. LET'S HAVE IT STOPPED!

HELP SEND THAT DELEGATE

In order that three delegates from Penn State may attend the Union Conference at the University of Michigan next month, every student in the college is being called upon to do his part and help by his little contribution to start the men who will have such a great part to play in the beginning of Penn State's Union. The prices for the vaudeville show are small enough and in consideration of the fact that the performers are giving their services free to the college that they may do their part toward establishing the Union, it is no more than right that the students, each and every one of them should do their part. When one begins to think just what the Union will mean to this college, and what big things will result from it in years to come, the slight contribution which is expected will seem an insignificant thing. And so it is, but when these contributions are gathered together then it is that strength is had with which to start the ball a-rolling. DO YOUR PART!

WATCH THOSE FIRES!

For several weeks, warnings have been issued to the students, both through the president of the college and the state forester in this district, and once again, the COLLEGIAN desires to impress the seriousness of the matter on the students' minds.

It is such an easy matter to set a raging fire over the neighboring mountains that the slightest thoughtlessness on any one's part may prove intensely disastrous. With the approach of better and nicer days, more men and women will take to the woods, and numerous feasts and camp fires will result. Let all make sure that the fire is out before they leave, and that when burning, it does not spread. It's all a matter of a little care and it is our duty, not only to the state, the neighboring farms, or ourselves, but also to the wild life which frequents the farther, innermost recesses of these mountains, to make them, safe at all times.

THE CAMPUS

During the past week, especially the last few days, when the trees have begun to break forth into their wonderful green foliage again, our campus has begun to take on that wonderful, serene, aspect which has always made it a lovable part of Penn State. The front campus, perhaps more than the other portions, bears witness to the truth of this statement. Daily the gradeners are cleaning and freshening the bare, dry spots and new, fresh seed will be given a chance to grow in those spots.

However, besides the bad effects noticed on Allen Street, where the large trees have been practically destroyed by the fire of a year and a half ago, the worst looking portion of the campus is the lower portion of Holmes Field, where the trenches and "dummies" stand. Like lines of scarecrows, or more like gallows, they take away all the beauty of the large rolling field and mar the landscape as a whole. If they are not being used, why not dispose of them, fill up the ditches and allow that part of the campus to become itself again. Or, if later use of them is desired, why not remove them to some portion of the campus farther secluded, where their presence would not mar its scenic beauty. As it is, they certainly do not add any toward beautifying the surroundings.

Letters Awarded to State Matmen

Although confronted by the loss of four of its star performers through graduation this coming June, the prospects for a repetition of its recently completed successful season are exceedingly bright for the Penn State Wrestling team next year. The schedule for the season of 1921-22 will be unusually stiff but high hopes are placed on the ability of the State mat men to emerge victoriously from the various meets and from the Intercollegiate Championships, which will be held at Lehigh University next spring. Next year's team will be piloted by "Dewey" Dejar '21, the redoubtable 135-pound grappler who during the season just past, suffered only one defeat, at the hands of Swelgart, of the Navy. J. B. Sweeley '21 will manage the team and will also act in his new capacity, as the resident of the Intercollegiate Wrestling Association. He will be assisted by J. A. Bailey '22, N. E. Eldredge '22, and C. W. Milliken '22. Recently, letters were awarded to members of this year's team for their achievements. I should like to mention the following men who received the straight "S": Captain Mills '21, Shirk '20, Galt '20, Dyer '21, Mowers '20, Brown '20, Rangan '20, the manager, "The 'S' " was awarded to Taylor '21 and Williams '22.

WILKES-BARRE ALUMNI SHOW GREAT ENTHUSIASM

The alumni association of Wilkes-Barre, held their annual dinner at the Hotel Redington on Friday evening, April twenty-third. Sixty graduates were present and other prominent men including Dr. Edwin E. Sparks, president of the college, Mr. E. R. Pettibone, member of the board of trustees, M. D. Sullivan, general secretary of the alumni association and Mr. Ray Smith, treasurer of the association.

Much enthusiasm and real Penn State spirit manifested itself during the course of the evening. Entertainment was furnished by an excellent orchestra and the Orpheum Quartet, two members of the latter being brothers of Penn State graduates. R. P. Williams '96 presided as toastmaster, and called upon many of the former students, who responded in a manner that was full of enthusiasm and comment. Dr. Sparks gave an unusually pleasant talk on spirit at the college, disunion of the Union, and with all its possibilities, and made mention of the fact that the cornerstone of the new Mechanical Engineering Laboratory will be laid by Mr. Charles Schwab within the next month. The financial status of the association was presented by the treasurer, and the new plan for financing the association was discussed pro and con. Mr. Pettibone also emphasized the need of a larger and stronger alumni association in order to assure the college of a progressive future. Mr. E. N. Sullivan, general secretary of the alumni,

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ALUMNI IN CHINA TELLS NEED OF AMERICA'S HELP

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to expand our department. These men will be not only the pick of the Chinese schools, but also the pick of our college. We would like to send them to Penn State in case we felt that they would be taken care of. They will be strangers, unable to speak English very well at first and will need to be helped to gain practical experience during the summer. They will all be sons of workers, have had stiff courses in shop work and will be different from any type that have ever entered the American school.

Will Visit Penn State
During the coming year, (September, 1920, to August, 1921), I shall be in the United States investigating industrial schools in missions. I should like very much to be allowed to bring before the men in the engineering department the plan which we are working on for China's industrial development, and to get them to help us work them out more perfectly. We are beginning a modern industrial system for a good many people and don't want to make a mistake. I would like to bring not only the problems connected with the government work, but also those connected with the missions. I am chairman of the committee which is working on the national bureau of industry which is to be a part of the Peking Union Christian University and which will probably have a lot to do with determining what sort of industrial schools the missions have. We who are on the committee and ourselves entirely too small for the task of determining just how we ought to help the nation's industrial development.

YOUR SERVANT,
SAMUEL M. DEAN.

ALUMNI PRESIDENT ADDRESSES MECHANICAL ENG. STUDENTS
Mr. Arthur McKee '91, M. E., spoke to the Mechanical Engineers on "Blatt Furnace Construction". April twenty-third Mr. McKee has had a wide experience in building furnaces in this country as well as abroad. He now has a contract for the construction of modern furnaces in India, which will take some two or three years to complete. He proposes to spend the summer in England studying steel business and labor conditions. Mr. McKee is president of the Alumni Association.

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FRATERNITIES PREPARE FOR LARGE TRACK MEET

The first big intra-annual sport since the outdoor athletic season has begun will be the intra-fraternity track meet this Saturday afternoon on New Beaver field. The meet will begin at two o'clock and promises to be keenly competed by each of the thirty some fraternities entered.

Rules covering the meet have been drawn up as follows:
1—All fraternities men who have not won a straight "S" in track are eligible to compete in the meet.
2—Each fraternity entered reserves the right to change the number of men entered in each race.

All entries must be in the hands of Hugo Bealke, Director of Physical Education, by six p. m. Wednesday April twenty-eighth. Entries made after that time will not be accepted.

The scoring will be as follows: five points for firsts, three for seconds, two for thirds and one for fourths. The team winning the largest number of points will be awarded a handsome gold cup. Action is being taken upon the awarding of prizes for men winning first places in any of the events, but nothing certain has as yet been decided in regard to this point.

The list of events for Saturday's meet comprises the following: 100-yard dash, 220-yard dash, 440-yard dash, 880-yard dash, one mile race, two mile race, 150-yard high jump, 220-yard low hurdles, running high jump, running broad jump, pole vault, 12-pound shot put, 12-pound hammer throw, discus throw, javelin throw.

An inter-fraternity relay race will be held on Saturday, May fifteenth, and an inter-unit relay race on the following Saturday, May twenty-second.

FIRST CHAPTER COMPLETE IN PHILM CLUB'S NEW BOOK

Mary Varden, "Vivian", has started on her career, having begun her life at the last meeting of the Film Club. At the next meeting, May third, the second chapter in her experiences will be read to the club. Mary Varden is the heroine of the story which the club is writing, each chapter being handled by a different person. May third will be a very busy night with the club, as subjects for essays or stories being suggested, each person having free rein in choosing his own material. Visitors are always welcomed at the meetings.

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Hoover Club Booms as Attendance Grows

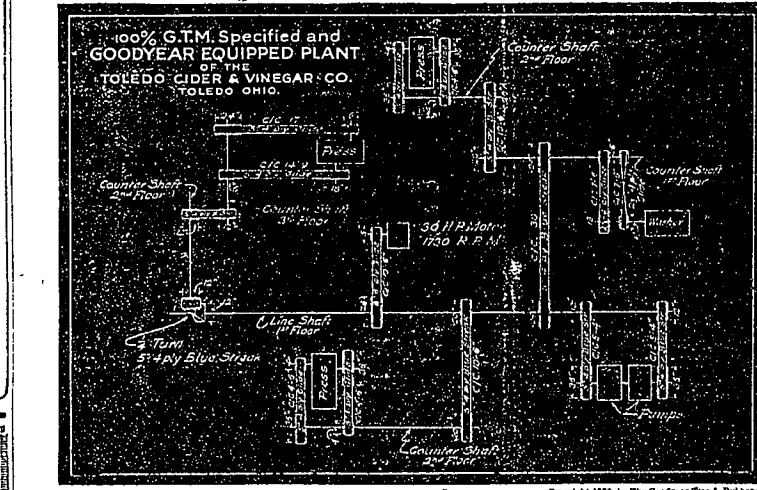
A large number of enthusiastic supporters greeted the second meeting of the Penn State Hoover Club in Old Chapel, last Monday evening. Men and women students, members of the faculty, and townspeople attended the gathering. E. D. Ovedoff '22 stated the purpose of the organization. Following the lead of other colleges in a movement to boost Hoover as a candidate for the presidency, Penn State is organizing a permanent Hoover Club. Among the other speakers were, W. J. Klech '20, Professor F. L. Patten, Mr. J. P. Baker, H. G. D. Stoddard '21, R. F. Steiner '22, and G. W. Supplies '22. They all told their personal convictions and reasons for believing Hoover to be the logical man for the nomination, the need of the country for a business man, and the principles and qualifications of the man.

Permanent officers were elected at this time. They are: President, E. D. Ovedoff '22, Vice President, G. D. Stoddard '21, Secretary, D. K. Eaton '22. The executive committee besides the officers, consists of Professor N. C. Miller, D. J. Farnes, W. J. Klech '20, Miss Ruth Eaton '21, and Miss Rhoda Crawford '21. The next meeting will be held Monday, May tenth in Old Chapel.

PROF. PATTEN TO ATTEND DEER MOINES CONFERENCE

Professor F. L. Patten, head of the department of English and American Literature, has been granted leave of absence during the month of May to attend the National Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church to be held at Deer Moines, Iowa. Professor Patten has been elected as one of the lay delegates of the Central Pennsylvania Conference and has been placed on the committee of education. He will leave for Deer Moines the latter part of this week and will return at the end of May. This conference is held every four years and delegates from all over

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