

Prexy's Preachment

Why hold cross reunions at Commencement time?

Such decisions add a man's business to it slightly. It is not merely that of a man politically, nor are they of special advantage socially. They take time and they require money, and they offer little material return.

A man gives up two or three days during the holidays of crowded business in perhaps his busiest season, he arranges for himself and family, he hunts all over the village and campus, only to find a few fellows he knew in college, and many times it happens that he knows them only slightly. The fellows he wanted to see the most fail to come. Well, it was just like them to back out and it will be the last time the fellow one will ever come back and be a part, you can bet your sweet life, etc.

But the next year he's back again. Why? What kind of a hold does this thing get on a man?

I believe it is summed up in one word—sentiment. Business, hardships, disappointment are all helpless before sentiment, sentiment calls and all else must give way. Sentiment is the controlling factor in the call of home, of relatives, of country, and of affection in all spheres of life. It deprives the statement frequently heard that all the average American cares for is the material dollar.

And the environment of The Pennsylvania State College cultivates sentiment. If one asks, "Why do four years at this college get such a hold on a man's sentiment?" the answer is simple. "There's nothing here but the college to get hold of a man." A city location would scatter the sentiment and the college would have to share with other attractions. Even the affectionate title of "Penn State", which is not in any way the official name of the college, puts this sentiment into words.

So year by year the sentiment grows, visible from their recollections of the vivacious, the wooded crest of Old Main, and the valleys of the mountain on either side, the commanding Towers of Old Main, the town of Lewisburg, the village by returning to see again the well-known features of the surroundings. Here occurred a thousand events of the fleeting four years of impressionable life—days of study, parties before the busy care and absorption of business life crowded out individual impressions. As one of our songs goes:

"Can't you see the boys marching
Up the road to Old Penn State?"

Occasionally you meet an Alumnus who rather boastfully confesses "I haven't been back since I graduated," but he is the exception. I wonder what such a man as an undergraduate did for his college? What did he put into it that yields such small return in sentiment? "Business" is the excuse, yet recently I met a most successful Lafayette graduate, one who has many affairs demanding his attention, and who boasted that he had not missed a Lafayette commencement in twenty-nine years. If the will is there the way can usually be found.

Be not discouraged, alumnus, if the old place looks lonely when you first arrive and you find on the campus but few you know, if all alumnus would keep away for that reason, it is inevitable that there would be no reunions. Come back for sentiment's sake, try to absorb plenty of enthusiasm, spread the gospel untiringly; and you will soon find your friends coming back with you and you will be happily conscious of the fact that you have performed one more good service for your beloved Penn State.

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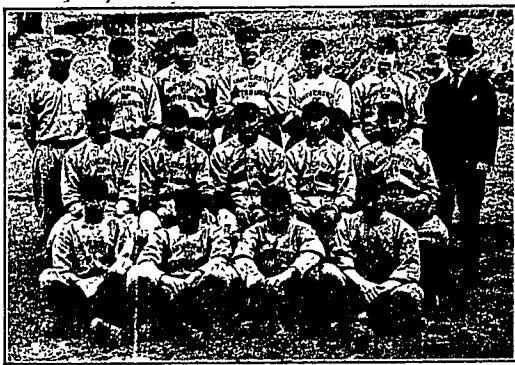
ROMANCE LANGUAGE DEPT.
ANNOUNCES NEW COURSES

Dr. I. L. Foster, head of the Romance Languages Department has announced that several new advanced courses in French and Spanish are being offered for next semester. French 25, The Contemporary Novel, will require French 11 or 24 for preparation. French 27, Classical Drama, will require for preparation, French 24 or 26. French 261, Advanced Composition, will also require for preparation, French 24 or 26 for preparation. In Spanish, Sp. 35, The Spanish Novel, will require preparation in Spanish 23 or 24 and Sp. 261 will require Spanish 23 or 24, being a course in Advanced Composition. This announcement is made at this time, so as to enable those students who contemplate taking some advanced course in the romance languages to know just what courses are being offered.



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present at the Conservation Picnic to be held on the estate of Major Theodore Boal, of Boalsburg, Pa., and help organize a Centre County Conservation Association. The opportunity is there presented for those interested to become charter members of a movement which may spread to all counties of the state and lead to a state wide organization to conserve the natural resources of the state.

This movement had its beginning in a meeting held at the home of Major Theodore D. Boal, of Boalsburg, at which the following representative men of the county were present: John Blanchard, Bellefonte; John S. Dale, State College; P. N. Dougherty, West-



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NEWS FROM OTHER COLLEGES

BUCKNELL—L'Arena, the year book of the Junior class, will make its first appearance on the college campus this week. A very large sale of these year books is expected inasmuch as it is in itself one of the most attractive books ever put out by any Junior class at Bucknell.

PITT—The University commencement speaker at the graduation exercises June 9, completing the one hundred and thirty-third academic year of the institution's existence, will be Evans Woolen, president of the Fletcher Savings and Trust Company of Indianapolis. He will address a graduating class of over three hundred at the exercises in Solter's Memorial Hall on the morning of commencement day.

PITTSBURGH—Everything is "set" for alumni days commencement week and Pittsburg are assured the liveliest week of activities ever arranged for on the campus. One of the biggest features, from the standpoint of the alumni, will be a banquet at the Hotel Behrens. Over five hundred graduates are expected to attend the affair.

PURDUE—All cases of dishonesty reported at Purdue University will be published in the Daily Exponent each month. The Dishonesty Committee and the Student Council are co-operating on this policy in an effort to eradicate all forms of cheating.

LEHIGH—The varsity tennis team has just closed one of the most successful seasons ever attained by Brown and White courtmen. The Lehigh team has won every collegiate match this season, the Navy alone being able to show its superiority over the Bethlehem courtiers.

GETTYSBURG—"Nothing but the Truth," the farce comedy given by the Owl and Nightingale Club of the college last Saturday evening was a decided success. The proceeds of the show will go to the furtherance of dramatics at Gettysburg College.

BLAN WATTS GIVES AT BENTON
Professor F. L. Watts, Dean of the School of Agriculture, spent last Friday, June 4th, at Benton, Pennsylvania, where he gave the commencement address at the Benton Vocational School.

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