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THE SIXTEENTH MILESTONE

With this issue the COLLEGIAN begins its sixteenth volume, namely, its sixteenth year of publication. From a small paper, supplying the needs of a small student body, the publication has, at various stages, made great strides forward, changes resulting in the size, quality of material presented and quantity of demand in accord with the constant growth of Penn State. Ever since its founding the paper has been published weekly. The last few years have seen marked progress. The COLLEGIAN began to grow. A weekly issue of four pages then began to be too small. It grew to be a six page paper, with numerous interspersings of eight-pagers. Finally, however, it was deemed necessary to provide more frequent publication and it is with this issue that the COLLEGIAN begins its first year as a semi-weekly paper. As has ever been the policy in the past, this publishing board will continue to provide an honest, unbiased, and truthful report of student and college activities. We shall strive to make each issue a little better than the previous one in our endeavor to make the PENN STATE COLLEGIAN an active part in the college life of every man and woman under the Blue and White's sway, not only for this year but for years to come, when the paper will finally have passed from a semi-weekly or tri-weekly affair into a real live daily.

However, in order to fulfill our desires as a semi-weekly publication, we must have the support of the students, faculty and alumni. There is no denying the fact that printing expenses have risen proportionately with the high prices attached to other commodities. In addition the paper will be in the hands of subscribers, not once a week, but twice a week. Thus it is that we feel we are not asking too much when we ask the subscribers to pay a rate which is but double what it was last year. In return we are supplying them with twice the material as last year. The paper is published for the benefit of the students, faculty and alumni and those who benefit thereby should support it.

Furthermore, the place which the PENN STATE COLLEGIAN occupies in the Public Ledger competition contest in the Inter-collegiate Newspaper Association will be determined largely by the number of student and alumni subscriptions. Penn State has never enjoyed a student subscription list more than fifty per cent while other college papers, much smaller in size while greater in cost, have been near the one hundred mark. Penn State students, support your official semi-weekly student publication!

WELCOME BACK

To every member of the incoming class of 1924, to every member of the new two-year agricultural class, to every special student, to each one entering here this year with advanced standing, and last but by far not least to every Penn State man and woman who returns to the Alma Mater this sixty-sixth year of her administration, the PENN STATE COLLEGIAN extends a most hearty welcome.

Those of us who have been here during war times, those who have returned since, have passed through interesting days under the Blue and White. Last year was considered by all as the most wonderful year the college had ever witnessed. Penn State teams were remarkably superior in all sports. The fact that but eight contests were lost in over half a hundred presented a record to be equalled by none. The rapid strides made in student activities, the remarkable improvements which the students pledged themselves to fulfill, all tend to place a ring of glory about the activities of the college which are long to be remembered by all who participated in them.

However, it is felt by many that this year will be even greater than was last. Penn State started going forward at a rapid rate and is increasing her speed right along. The wonderful changes which have been brought about on New Beaver Field, are attest to the fact. The people of the state are learning more each day of this wonderful state college of theirs. Year by year the number of applications for entrance increase and if it were only possible, Penn State would at present be accommodating a student body of almost five thousand. Yet we feel sure that in the future she shall reach this mark and then rapidly eclipse it. The student body this year reaches the 3200 mark and must be content to remain there while over twelve hundred boys and girls throughout this state and from others must seek collegiate instruction at other institutions or receive none because Penn State, their desire, cannot accommodate them. Undoubtedly something must and will be done. The college must receive more state support and revenues from other sources so that the sons and daughters of the state may avail themselves of the opportunity of receiving training here. We trust it will not be long in coming. The townspeople have finally organized themselves that they may help in solving the serious housing problems which confront them and the college. The Chamber of Commerce organization is the finest thing which has ever been promoted here. It will, in time, through its agencies and influences, place State College in a position to be readily accessible from all points by rail, it will finally provide adequate housing facilities for students and faculty and visitors, and it will make the town itself a beauty spot for Pennsylvanians to visit. Then Penn State will have come into her own!

Athletically, this should be another great year for the Blue and White. The varsity teams, while seriously handicapped by the loss of veteran stars, will maintain their high standard by the influx of newer, eager men, desirous of upholding the glory of old Penn State. We hope for another championship football team, another wonderful basketball team, another wrestling aggregation to grapple for us the coveted honors upheld for the past three years, and so on through the list. We look forward to the installation of the mass athletics plan and its culmination in a student body where everyone plays, a time when the Centre County school will be a shining example to all colleges, universities and schools in this country.

Yet there are other matters which do not present so favorable a light. One is the Honor System. For years the manner in which this system has been carried on and the student attitude toward it have been eyesores for those who faithfully believe in it. As has ever been the case, the trouble lies in the inability which men seem to have to

report their fellow when they know that he is in the wrong and that they are in the wrong by allowing him to be so. This type of double duplicity is often difficult to understand. The student evidently does not believe that he is robbing himself and others of what is rightfully theirs by allowing such conduct to exist. We sincerely hope that this year will find the student body much more faithfully inclined toward the system and more eager to carry it out to the fullest sense of its meaning. We hope for more men of "HONOR".

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