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GET INTO A DISCUSSION GROUP

The COLLEGIAN notes with interest the proposed plan of conducting Bible discussion groups, through the medium of fraternities and rooming houses at Penn State. The idea is certainly a good one and needs only the heartiest cooperation of the student body to bring about great changes on the campus. Too many men lose what little Bible teaching they received under home influences when they come to college. Why this is true is often a great question. The answer is either lack of desire to know on the student's part or student associations of an altogether different nature. At home the blame is often laid to the college, but most of us know that this is absolutely not the truth, because of the opportunities afforded at this place for students to obtain religious education in most any creed desirable.

There is a general impression among the peoples of the country that the college student is supposed to know why he is at college and that while there he wishes to obtain the most possible out of the things available. He is, theoretically, supposed to be one who is interested in many phases of life, and in social and religious problems. He is one who investigates, discusses and forms opinions of many questions which confront not only him, but the general public. Whether this is the case or not with most students is left for the students here themselves to judge. However, while some students do delve deeply into problems of this kind, the majority are satisfied to let them rest and get only the most of the material things which life scatters broadcast about them. For these it is necessary that some action be made that will force them to partake more generously of the greater problems of existence and of the proper course to pursue in life.

This Bible discussion plan is therefore a very good one. It gives the student a better idea of the picturesquely historical and economical lives of the peoples of biblical times. It provides him with opportunity for regaining his religious beliefs, if he has thrown them aside, and for strengthening them, if he has held on to the teachings he received from early youth. The benefits of these groups are easily conceived. The student is, first of all, in a very much smaller group of men and with men whom he knows and understands, and consequently the feeling of restraint always prevalent in large gatherings is for the most part absent. He is freer to delve into his own theories, discuss the ideas of others and learn from them. If the group idea is well received and many groups formed, there is no doubt but that considerable good to the members will result. At least high hopes are entertained that such will be the case. No person can expect to get good out of such a discussion group unless he enters into the discussions with a whole-hearted desire for betterment. There is no doubt but that a better spirit will be found on the campus because of these groups. Men will feel more lenient to their fellows when they learn how to receive their various peculiarities. Men will leave off their littlenesses, and the selfish desires they work out on others will cease. Penn State needs the Bible discussion groups and will benefit greatly thereby. Student cooperation is necessary and should be given because the entire project is meant entirely for student betterment.

WHAT THE R. O. T. C. MEANS

That many men at Penn State do not realize what benefits the R. O. T. C. has been demonstrated by the fact that hardly ten percent of the members of the Junior class have entered their names in the advance course offered here. There is little need for anyone to go into detail regarding the various benefits presented, because the larger facts about this branch of service convince one that it is an ideal way for the average college student to aid himself in many ways while pursuing his college course.

Ever since the summer camp idea was initiated in 1913, Penn State men have been represented in various summer camps. It is with great pride that the COLLEGIAN calls attention to the fact that in these camps no matter what the size of the representation, Penn State men were found among the most active and those mentioned for highest honors both in military and athletic achievements. The delegations have increased each year and next summer an even larger number than ever is looked for. Penn State men are coming their zeal and enthusiasm in this work has been second to none in the to realize the benefits to be obtained through the R. O. T. C., and entire gatherings at these camps.

Every Junior who can do so should avail himself of this splendid opportunity for personal betterment. It is a duty full of promise of good to the country and to the individual. It provides the student with a type of training which is meant to build up his physical and mental capabilities. It gives him considerable remuneration for the small amount of work done. It provides him with clothing, any portion of which is replaceable when it has been worn out. Certainly the small effort he makes is overbalanced by the return. Penn State's R. O. T. C. stands as the second largest in this country. Penn State men can and should place this branch of her activities at the very top. They can and should avail themselves of the opportunity to go into life not only with a Penn State training in professions, but also with a high grade type of Penn State training in military science and tactics. Thus they fit themselves for any emergency which may arise in the future.

MORE STEALING

During the past week the college experimental orchard has been the scene of a number of nightly raids by parties in quest of apples. Because of this fact the experiment station is at a great handicap in compiling its records of the amount of fruit gathered from the various trees in the orchard. For those students who do not know the purpose of this orchard, some explanation is necessary. The plot was laid out a number of years ago with the express purpose in mind of obtaining experimental data on the varieties of apples growing there. Each year this data has been accumulating and in order to obtain maximum results, the data must be accurate. Each apple that is produced is weighed and accounted for. The students can thus very easily understand that when apples are taken away, especially in as large amounts as has been the case, that this data cannot possibly

be correct. Inasmuch as the college has been conducting this experiment for the purpose of obtaining usable knowledge in regard to these fruits, the students should immediately cease this stealing. It is nothing more or less than stealing; a continued theft of college property. In a court it would go hard with a man convicted of stealing another's property. Here the college can do nothing but trust to the student's honor. Let us hope that in the future there need be no more occasions for reproofs such as these.

CHURCHES TO WELCOME NEW STUDENTS TONIGHT

In accordance with past custom, all the churches of the town are holding their annual student reception tonight from eight until ten o'clock. The receptions will take place in every instance in the social rooms of the respective churches, with the exception of the Episcopal social, which will be held in the Old Fellows Hall.

The primary object of these functions is to create a feeling of fellowship and sociability between the new students and the churches. It also affords an opportunity for students of the upper classes to renew old acquaintances and to meet new men. A friendly good time is assured all who attend. The churches of the town unite in extending a most cordial invitation to all students to attend the church of their affiliation tonight and get acquainted.

EXCUSES FOR ATHLETICS

All men who elected to participate in some form of athletics instead of the prescribed Physical Education will report as follows:

Football men to Coach Hornum at Track House at 4:30.
Basketball men at Gymnasium at 4:30.
Soccer men to Coach Crockett on Drill Field at 4:30.
Track men to Coach Martin on New Beaver at regular periods.
Boxing men to Coach Berger in gymnasium at 4:30.

METHODIST SUNDAY SCHOOL OFFERS VARIETY OF CLASSES

A number of classes in the Sunday school of the Methodist church offer a wide variety of subjects and teachers. Professor C. E. Mitch of the Economics Department is leading the discussion in a class using the subject "Origin of the Christian Church and the Rise and Development of Modern Denominations." Frank Christof, Secretary of the College Y. M. C. A. is leading a class which is using for its first text, Poedek's "Manhood of the Master." Professor H. M. Battenhouse has charge of a class which will study modern problems and will relate the Christian principles of the Bible to the solution. For women, Mr. David F. Kapp will teach a class using the International lessons. A very cordial invitation is extended to all Methodist students to become affiliated to one of these classes.

PRE-MEDS AFTER NEW COURSE IN CHEMISTRY

In order to meet the increasing requirements and constant changes in the science of medicine, the Department of Chemistry has added a new subject to the pre-medical course this semester. This is in Physiological Chemistry and is required in the Junior year in the Pre-medical course. This course treats on a somewhat advanced study of the chemistry of the human body, along with qualitative and quantitative work on the subject.

NEW RULING MADE ON SUNDAY CHAPEL

By action of the Committee on Religious Activities, any student who desires to attend Sunday morning services in a local church, either Sunday school or morning worship, may be excused from attendance at Sunday chapel and will be given the proper credit from his pastor or Sunday school teacher or a statement to the effect that his attendance has been of the frequency required at Sunday chapel. Excuse cards must be obtained from the offices of the Dean of Men or Dean of Women and should be approved by the pastor and returned by September twenty-ninth. Those students who have been excused will probably be placed in Chapel A class.

Ex-President Sparks has been elected chairman of the Committee on Religious Activities and will have charge of the chapel speakers and order of services. The Dean of Men and the Dean of Women will have charge of attendance and excuses.

JUDGING TEAM REPRESENTS PENN STATE AT SPRINGFIELD SHOW

A team of Dairy Husbandry students, composed of E. Ruemer '21, LeRoy Hoffer '21, C. E. Mawer '21, LeW. H. Davis '21, took part in the Inter-Collegiate Judging at the Eastern States Livestock Exposition held at Springfield Massachusetts early this week. The Penn State team placed fifth in a class of six teams. Individual places for members of the Penn State team were as follows, Ruemer, ninth; Hoffer, fifteenth and Davis, eighteenth. This same team will leave early in October to take part in the larger judging contest at the National Dairy Show held annually in Chicago. It is expected that additional practice and coaching before the Chicago trip will assure the team of a much better record in National Contests.

HERD SIRE PLACES AT SYRACUSE

Keystone, the white Shorthorn Bull heading the College herd of Shorthorn Beef Cattle, received second prize in his class at the Syracuse State Fair, held last week in Syracuse, New York. Among his competitors were some of the best animals of the breed from the eastern states. It is expected that another year's growth will make an excellent show animal of this individual.

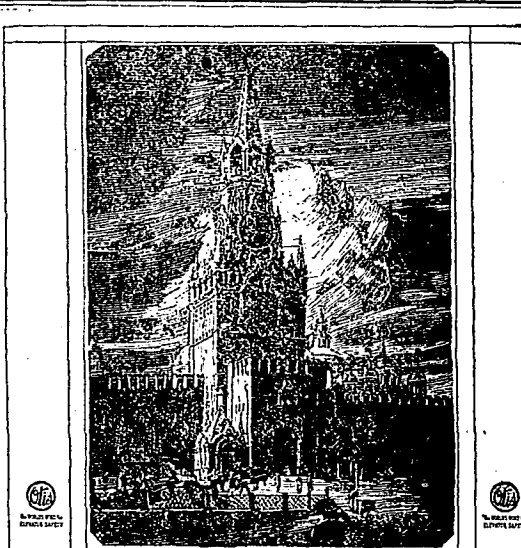
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On The Corner

- YOU KNOW.....
- How It Is, I Suppose.....
- We All.....
- Got This Way.....
- Once in A While.....
- But Anyway.....
- I Couldn't Help.....
- Faading Blue.....
- I Kept Thinking.....
- How Different.....
- It Was.....
- In the Old Days.....
- When They Blossomed Out.....
- Every Fall.....
- At the Opening.....
- Of School I Missed Them.....
- This Year.....
- I Missed the Colorful.....
- Display That.....
- Grasped Me in the Past.....
- Things Didn't Have.....
- The Old Familiar Look.....
- That They Used.....
- To Have.....
- And the Campus.....
- Was Dab and Colorless.....
- But Hold! What Is That.....
- I See.....
- Hurrah! They are With Us.....
- Once Again.....
- The Fair Class of '23.....
- Has Decried It.....
- The Vivid Band of Green.....
- Is Back to Stay.....
- And Once Again.....
- The Dainty.....
- Timorous.....
- Hopeful.....
- Groups of Blossoming.....
- Family.....
- Will Live Up.....
- The Landscape.....

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AGRICULTURAL NOTES

Professor W. H. Tomhave, head of the department of Animal Husbandry, is attending the Eastern States Exposition which is convening at Springfield, Massachusetts. Doctor Tomhave is in charge of the Pennsylvania State College livestock exhibit and with the local stock-judging team will compete for first honors against the leading schools of the East and North. An honor was recently conferred upon Professor Tomhave when he was elected a director of the Exposition.

From a census which was recently taken, it was shown that out of approximately one hundred and fifty residential students, eighty were registered in the School of Agriculture. This is a remarkable record for one school which includes among these residential students, one woman, Miss Zena Goldstein, who is registered in a course of Home Economics.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH SOCIAL

A social for all Episcopal students and their friends will be held in the Old Fellows Hall Friday evening at eight. An orchestra will be present to help make the evening more enjoyable. All Episcopal students are invited to be present and enjoy a pleasant social evening.

PROF. NEWMAN RENEWS DUTIES

After an absence of two years, G. E. Newman, Assistant Professor of Zoology, has returned to Penn State to renew his duties. Professor Newman was stationed at Lafayette, Indiana in the Anthropology Department of the Agricultural Experiment Station, during his absence.

CHAPEL SPEAKER TO CONDUCT OPEN FORUM SUN. AFTERNOON

An open forum meeting will be conducted in the Old Chapel Sunday afternoon from four to five o'clock. Mr. Day of the Canton Christian College, the chapel speaker of the day will be present and will answer any questions which may be presented in regard to his work at the Chinese Institution. He will also answer any questions and will lead any discussion in regard to the work of "Daddy's" Graft in China and will tell of the wonderful opportunities for the college trained man in the land of greatest development—China. After the meeting there will be a short informal social time in the living room all a very good chance to become acquainted with Mr. Day. Through the courtesy of the girls of the Y. W. C. A., refreshments will be served during this social hour. All students are invited to be present and enjoy this interesting and pleasant afternoon.

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