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News editor this issue: G. H. Lysle, Jr.

THE NEW LEADER

Penn State hears with joy and appreciation the announcement that a new president for the college has been chosen. After long months of waiting, of performing the duties of the office, and of searching for the man who is best fitted to carry on the work that through the past twelve years has so ably been built up by Dr. Sparks, the Board of Trustees has selected the president of Middlebury College, Vermont, Dr. John Martin Thomas.

The college is glad, very glad that Dr. Thomas has consented to take hold of the work here and it is with much hope in the future that all, faculty, alumni and students look forward to the arrival of the new leader. Penn State, beloved by all who have known her, must go forward. The college must become THE college of the state, primarily an institution that is the peoples'. Until that is accomplished, we have fallen short of our task, no matter what our position, whether legislator or embryo citizen.

Hopes for the future may well be high. Dr. Thomas has, through his twelve years of service at the helm of Middlebury College, built that institution from one of the smallest in Vermont to one of the most influential and important. The educational world knows him as a "builder". His ability both in educational and business administration has made him the outstanding choice for the post he will have at Penn State. Not only is he prominent throughout the state as is testified by his being a delegate at the last Republican National Convention.

Penn State needs just such a man. The work that has been done by Dr. Sparks in the past, the institution which has been built so rapidly since 1908, has reached such a size as to command very diligently the services of a man with far reaching ideas and possibilities for service. We feel that in Dr. Thomas Penn State has the man who can magnify the power and importance of the college and who will "carry the college of the state to the people of the state" with ever increasing significance to them as the years go by.

The Department of Music of the college is deserving of high commendation for their part in bringing to the students and faculty such a noted musician as was heard last Sunday afternoon in the Auditorium. It is music of this type, as it is with literature, science and art of the highest worth, that makes for a broadening influence in men and women. We should strive to avail ourselves more of such opportunities. College days, after all, are short, and after-life a very serious problem. What we get out of these four short years will have a mighty influence on our work hereafter. It is a good plan to get all you can and the best you can out of all that is presented.

The COLLEGIAN again wishes to call attention to the fact that this evening candidates will be received for the editorial staff of this publication. Without further ado about the "whys and wherefores" of work of this nature, it may be stated, that only men who really are interested, who are willing to work and obtain something that will be of material value to them at some later time, need apply. The future status of the paper and its relation to the students to come is always determined by the men who begin at the bottom of the ladder and through merit, and merit alone, win out. As our hopes and prayers for Penn State's success go on, we place with them the student publication and trust to the younger men of the college that they take their responsibility and realize upon it, not only for themselves but for the college.

DAVIS-MAGICIAN WILL PERFORM HERE SOON

The next number on the Y. M. C. A. and department of Music Combined Entertainment Course will be something entirely different from those which have preceded it. Davis, The Master Magician, will be the attraction on February twelfth when he will perform some unusual acts in the Auditorium. Mr. Davis is truly a wizard. He is a specialist in his department of work which requires all the skill that a man can possibly summon to his aid. He has been drawing capacity houses at all his performances and he should prove quite an attraction at Penn State. His acts are of a different variety than one is accustomed to witness at other performances of a similar nature. He increases the interest of his audience by the aid of his wit and humor. Just as he has apparently finished an act, he performs another just as perplexing and interesting as its predecessor. His tricks have three points to them rather than one as is customary with ordinary mystery men. Davis also performs twice as many feats as the average magician. His talk is interesting and not of the useless "pattern" variety. His splendid stage setting, abundance of paraphernalia and excellent assistant are the additional reasons why the entertainment runs so smoothly and proves so satisfactory. Davis performs the most difficult of acts, chief among which is the famous trunk mystery, an act which made Houdini the great magician that he is known to be. His stunts are of high class variety, a large number of them being originated by the trickster himself.

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HONOR CERTIFICATES TO BE GIVEN TONIGHT

At seven-thirty tonight in the Auditorium seventy-three Penn State students will be graduated at the Mid-Year Convocation. Sixty six of this number will receive the degree of Bachelor of Science while seven will be awarded the degree of Bachelor of Arts. Five Master of Science degrees will also be given out at this time as will fifty Honorary Military Certificates for members of the faculty who engaged in military or naval service in the recent world war.

Simply promises to be the key note of tonight's graduation. The usual program as has been carried out in previous years will be in force except for one deviation, which is the fact that the speaker has been scheduled to talk at the exercises. At last year's graduation Judge Mitchell was to have filled the position of speaker but in his absence President Sparks took his place and delivered one of the finest talks that has ever been listened to by a Penn State graduating class. No academic costume will be worn by the members of the class and as a further mark of simplicity there will be no formal professional or recreational. The order of exercise tonight is as follows: 1. Scripture Reading

- 2. Hymn "The Light That Lighteth Every Man"
3. The Invocation
4. The Conferring of Degrees
(a) The Bachelor Degrees
(b) The Advanced Degree
5. The Awarding of Certificates for Military Service
6. Announcement of Election to Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi
7. The College Hymn, 1st, 6th, and 7th Stanzas

According to the ruling of the Board of Trustees the following members of the Faculty (past and present) who engaged in military or naval service in the world war are entitled to Honorary Military Certificates: J.F. Adams, W. B. Lewis, M. C. Alken, J. J. Light, V. L. Ayers, G. S. Long, C. P. Dean, C. W. Martin, D. M. Bowman, C. R. McQuigg, L. E. Bryans, A. F. Mason, S. O. Cates, D. K. Merrill, W. W. Carver, J. W. Miller, G. C. Chandelis, E. W. Schmidt, D. G. Cochrane, R. E. Minshall, W. H. Cole, R. B. Nesbitt, J. E. Davis, P. K. Rice, C. G. Giam, Q. J. Parsons, W. C. Gillespie, R. C. Harlow, D. J. Hall, M. M. Hermann, W. R. Ham, E. C. Woodruff, J. O. Keller, E. L. Walker, J. E. Kephel, E. L. Waterman, M. E. Kressly, D. L. Wilde

FROM CUB REPORTER TO "YE ED."

(Continued from first page) say in true Bezdokian fashion "It's no good!" But then came that ever to be remembered day when our first "story" appeared in the old sheet. True enough it was only a little one, tucked away in an obscure corner of an inside page, but to us it was a wonderful as a "first seller." It was the pride of our heart,

the lion of our brain, and it had been "blashed" wonderful, wonderful! We still have it framed on the wall of our room.

Word broken into print, and all thought of these were forgotten. Now we are going to show them how to write stories. Our "nose for news" was glowing and we were keen to be "in" on a "regular story." But "Ye Ed." it was chasing after county clubs and they never would give us an "in" news. We finally learned how to get those dull items good enough to get the "dev" however, and they taught us to be careful if they didn't tempt anything else. And our stories were being printed, even though they never amount to much.

Then one night, we got a regular assignment and the next week our story was the front page! Yes, we drew blue ink marks around that and sent it to folks at home. We were getting a "regular" reporter at last. But it was our first opportunity to get the job of a reporter with every story that appeared. Then came the elections and our mind when we were elected to be a sophomore reporter.

So went each week we gained a new insight into college affairs and college life. We began to feel better about it and we began to feel more of a personal interest in the old paper. We wanted to make it the best college paper in the country. Oh yes, we worked hard, but nothing is worth much unless you have to work for it. We subjected to the "navies" quite as much as we could, but strange to say, we didn't miss them. And so we came to the end of sophomore year and were elected to the post of Junior Associate Editor.

Added honor brought added responsibility, but the paper was now a part of our life. We would sooner write a good story than do anything else. We began to see how much extra time we could put in at the office and we were getting around a good deal. It was surprising how many students and faculty members we had become personally acquainted with. This all gave us some good ideas and we felt that there was enough to compensate for the work that we had done.

Experience was added to experience and we had our first chance to write an editorial. We had been giving up an idea in the back of our head for a long time and this was our first opportunity to put it across. Thus it went, and for every hour spent in work on the college paper, we have reaped four-fold benefits. We wouldn't trade our experience for anything and we sometimes wish that we were a Freshman, studying the fundamentals ever again. Yes, Freshmen who have read this and think that such a college career would appeal to you, jump at the change. It won't be any snap and you will have days of discouragement, but the goal is well worth the effort. Hit your aspiration to the top-most job and if you keep it ever before you, you are sure to hit pretty close to the mark. An opportunity for Freshmen to report for the COLLEGIAN has been offered for tonight. If what has just been said interests you all, be on hand if not when you are not the one to whom

MID-YEAR GRADUATES HEAR STIRRING SERMON

The Baccalaureate Sermon was delivered to the mid-year graduating class of seventy three members last Sunday morning in the Schwab Auditorium by the Reverend Harris, Ely Adrance, D. D., pastor of the Church of the Son of Man, New York City. Reverend Adrance proved to be an exceptionally forceful speaker and won a warm place for himself in the hearts of his audience. He was graduated from Williams College in 1914.

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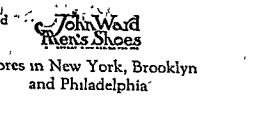
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