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News editor this issue\_\_\_

### A VITAL QUESTION

A VITAL QUESTION Shall the Honor System go<sup>2</sup> That is the question that at present is facing the most prominent men on the campus today An old subject, apparently, and yet one which must be faced squarely, looked at from all angles and then without further ado, decided upon Other college organizations have been thinking the matter over for some time It was definitely taken up by Student Council at its last meeting, but because of the small attendance it was left over until the next meeting, when, indications point to a decision on the matter. That decision is being made during these days and the feeling has grown that the Honor System operated as it is at present at this college, must either undergo radical changes or it must go. One fact is certain. The present surface to remain the section of the surface of the surfac

or it must go. One fact is certain The present system is insufficient. It is more; it is mockery In spite of all the pleading made before the last final examination period, cribbing went on in its unmeasured fashion, so that even the most ardent supporters of the system have felt the roots of their faith relax from their support. The number of cribbers has increased Men are inclined more and more toward an system is receeiving a severe blow. There can be no half and half felcing toward the Honor System. Only one path hes open to the men who really are honest They cannot afford to allow the dishonest to drag them to the lower level, and it is certain that that is being done now. The Honor System in their a severe to the severe the severe the severe the Honor System in their severe the severe the severe the severe the Honor System in their severe the severe the severe the severe the Honor System in the severe the severe the severe the severe the severe the Honor System in their severe the severe the severe the severe the severe here the severe the

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The Honor System in itself is a wonderfully idealistic bit of machinery that is wound around the human heart and mind for its support. When that fails it, then it is indeed in a sorry plight. That is the station today. The student support has in reality failed and consequently the system-has fallen to abuse. Apparently human nature has settled, the thing for us. There are too many of us who are filled with the desire to go through college by hook or crook regardless of the effect on our morals and those of our associates. It means so little today for a man to be honest in his work. The one who completes his task dishonestly and does it without being detected receives the same classification as the one who is conscientious about all he does. The dishonest man goes on the is unaffected. It is only the honest one who suffers. So the individual, who has gone straight is forced to the level of the ingrate.
If the Honor System cannot be made a one hundred per cent affair, with every student, cooperating, not because he must for far of detection, but because it is he one desire of his heart to be square, then it had bettere go. Mr Student, you will have to face this question A decision must be reached. Penn State cannot go on, ited down as life. If you cannot support the system as it is at present, then suggest some remedy for it, whereby you can give it your unmitigated aid; or, put it out of your life.
Would you like to see Penn State have a real Honor System, or would you prefer to go back to the old proctor system or some other system of that type? Think it over.

#### COMMENDATION

COMMENDATION Right here we wish to extend our congratulations to the Penn State players for the very excellent production they offered the stu-dent body last Friday evening. It was the very finest bit of dramatic work the organization has presented to date and has certainly eclipsed most of the student productions of the past few years. Much credit is due the individuals who took part in the performance and the coaches who trained them for the parts. It was certainly an appreci-ative audience that time and again responded to the numerous humor-ous situations that were portrayed and who equally admired the pro-ficiency of the members of the cast. It took long hours of preparation and tireless endeavor to make the play the success it was and certainly ficiency of the members of the cast. It took long hours of preparation and tireless endeavor to make the play the success it was and certainly only the highest commendation should be given. It is only too un-fortunate that all the work and preparation should have been neces-sary for a one night performance. The reputation that resulted from that one presentation, it is felt, would have been sufficient to carry the play through another evening, with a full house. Nevertheless it is but another example of service to the student body and therein events of here been been concerned and therein a forther players of the play through another evening. another end has been achieved. The Penn State Players, as an orga-nization has steadily increased in its value to the campus and its present standing and reputation augurs well for success yet to come.

Penn State will have its annual Washington's Birthday athletic carnival this coming week-end and the college will have many visitors present for the usual house-party festivities as well. Would it not present for the usual house-party festivities as well. Would it not, at that time be wise to have a regular old time mass meeting, of the type that were so frequently held before. Penn State has not had an evening mass meeting for a long time. Her students have not been together in such a joy-fest for several months and especially at such a time it would be most appropriate Let's have a real old time affair, full of the jovial spirit of the period, when we can send the athletic teams to their tasks with a fuller feeling that the student body is behing them to the very end. Let's sing all the old songs again.

ork of School of Agriculture Re-sponsible For Much of State's Rise In Importance

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Rise In Importance – In the census of 1910 Pennsylvania ranked seventh as a producer of agri-cultural products, in 1920 Pennsylvania held sixth place. Despite the fact that the large war industries were paying the mondous salarles and bribling men-to leave the soil and come to the clies, leaving the discust with little help, leaving the discust with little help, as ing the discust with little help, as discusted on the middle and far west Pennsylvania being one of the ingrest manufacturing states of the Un-ion the farmers of this state loat num-bers fai out of proportion to the other big farming states. What was there back of the rapid increase of the far-mer of this question for the peeple of the state Mr H E, Salliven the noted agricultural writer of the Philadophia No the Agricultural Extension Depart-ment here, which he thinks was largely responsible for the increase

The work of this department of the ollege is not always appreciated or inderstood by the students. The Camin is not have stood by the students. The second by the or this department is not confined to mere vicinity of State College, extends to the farf-corners of the County agents keep in continual h with the farmers and add them with the best results from their erops construct is to help over with the infiners and all them is got the best results from their crops The work of the department is to help stabilize the markets, to teach the far-mers the most economical method of urunning their farms, and to experimen-aith the volls of the state that they may instruct the farmers in the plant-ing and fertilizing of their lands

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At the Agricultural Experimen-Station tests are being carried on con-tinually with grain that it may be do to mined which seed is best suited t certain splis. The results of these tests are then carried to the farmer throughout the state and practical ap-plication made of them.

plication made of them. Extensive experiments are also car-led on in the use of dime, in order that the farmois may set the best results out of the smallest amounts applied. The study of the different kinds of fertilizers is also taken up and the County Agentia bring, their doctrines of both fortilizers and various sprays to the farmer as an insurance against loss

armer as an insurance against loss Thuy by the efficient work of the Ev-ension Bureau, the farmers of Penr blanta have been able to produc note and far better crops from it same acreage and at a lower cost the sefore The County Agents have als formed co-operative organizations an

urrentse. Organizations are also formed for the jourpose of increasing efficiency in the soultry and dairy end of the game as well, so that the hens and cows that are nonproductive may be weeded out ate nonproductive may be weeded or Thus, by the aid of this department which has spread its organization or all but five counties of the State, it small farmer and producer is given chance to benefit by the best that mighty institution can offer and one the foremost Agricultural Experime Stations of the country is continual at his service.

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New Free Lecture

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Detroids Coll'ees in quintury and quartity The series of lectures arranged for the next thee months will be very diversified in nature and will include librainted to chirars by Professor F. D. How T. L. Pattee, who took a prominent mat in the lecture arrive is naty carry will lecture on the life of Edgar Allen Poe, one of America's foremost wilters, and will be followed the next week by Miss Ruth E Jackison of the English De-partment, who will give a dramatic leated to the fifteenth of Macrh, "Dick" Harlow will tell of his exper-lences in Northen a Canada last summer " Harlow will s in Northein the birds an ar talk which try Life Club re should be and judg

won as instructive. The second as Those persons who were fortunate enough to hear the lectures given by Dr. Sparks last fall will be delighted to leain that he will close the coming series with four lectures beginning on the fifth of April His addresses will be based on topics of universal interest and will attempt to answer questions that arise in the minds of all The lectures are scheduled as follows. Feb. 32- Edgal Allon Poe Professor F L Pattee Match 1-A Dramatic Recital Miss Ruth E Jackson

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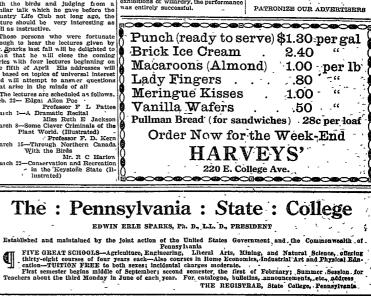
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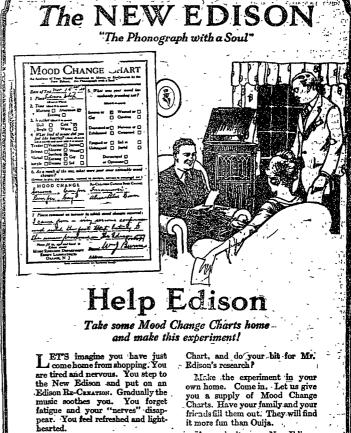
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The program was divided. Into, two parts In the first half of the enter-alment, the margician displayed his light-of-hand margician displayed his light-of-hand tricks and fafter a short ntormission he showed his ability in the ulckness with which he was able to scape from handcuffs, a locked trunk and other bindrances slight-of-)





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