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### RED CROSS SEALS

Christmas is coming! You have your list of presents made out and of course you have got to remember the folks at home, and the girl, and the whole range of friends. And what then? Do you count your duty as being completed? Here's a new one—though maybe you have touched on it before—how about helping to give a permanent present to about two million people—a present of health? That is the number they estimate that tuberculosis has in its power.

Helping out is as simple as the easiest part of sending your girl a letter—buying a stamp. The National Tuberculosis Association uses these happy Christmas and Healthy New Year Seals as its only method of raising money. You buy from one cent's worth to twenty-five dollars' worth according to your ability and your idea of the Christmas spirit. Stick them on your letters and help someone whose joys have been clouded by tuberculosis.

The Tuberculosis Association of Pennsylvania has succeeded in cutting the tuberculosis death rate one third in fifteen years, assuring you that your money goes into capable hands. Buy your limit and then talk it up. The cost is small, the result great!

### THE LIBRARY SITUATION

In response to a recent editorial appearing in this column on the condition of the Library, the following statements are made by Dr. E. W. Runkle, the Librarian of the College, in order to clear any misunderstandings that the student body may have and to explain the conditions under which the Library staff is working.

1st. The honor system in the use of the library was adopted in 1904 when the new building was opened. The student body was small, and the library was small, then the system worked well. But the honor system has broken down in this college as well as elsewhere. This fact is apparent, it needs no comment.

2nd. The growth of the student body, the increase in books, and the cramped condition of our stacks all made necessary a change to the Call System. Access to stacks has been withdrawn, therefore, not to curtail privileges but to widen opportunities. This is in line with the experience and practice of the best college libraries. A recent study made shows that practice and expert opinion agree that when a library reaches eighty to one hundred thousand volumes, the open stack will not work. A few large libraries in colleges with small student bodies have the open shelves, a few small libraries with large student bodies have, but no large libraries with large student bodies have unrestricted access to stacks. Changes always involve adjustment, alterations in our habits, but the greatest good to the greatest number amply justifies them. The catalogue, not the shelves, is the real source of information on what any library contains and to learn to use it is the key to the use of all other libraries. "Browsing" in the library has something to be said in its favor, but usually "browsing" is an evidence of the lack of definiteness of aim and purpose.

3rd. As to avoidable delay in serving the needs of the student body, that is the vital point in your suggestion. We work under a considerable handicap in that the smallness of our stack makes it necessary to shelve books far removed from the desk. An enlarged stack which is an imperative necessity will doubtless soon be provided. But handicaps are no excuse, only incentives, to better service. The library has no special "system" to maintain, except the system that is essential to the widest service and usefulness. Suggestions for improvement are welcome from all sources, and the staff bespeaks your hearty cooperation in making the library what it should be, the workshop of those who use its facilities. The college has outgrown a time when the library is a general study room wherein disciplinary oversight is necessary. It has become the place of earnest work. We need to measure up to University standards in the use of the library in less than in other lines of work.

(Signed)  
ERWIN W. RUNKLE

The chief student complaint has been of the delay in securing desired books. Formerly a student had free access to the stacks and could immediately obtain the book if it was on the shelves, but now that the stacks are closed a request must be made at the desk and a librarian goes for the book.

There is ample justification for the closing of the stacks, as the above statements show. However, the student complaint is of the attendant delay which has arisen through this system, and their desire is that something be done to remedy the situation. The Library authorities are doing all they can to correct this delay, and Dr. Runkle believes that the longer the system is in effect and the more familiar the student body becomes with it, the better it will work. There is also some readjustment necessary when changes are made and some friction accompanies all progress. The student body may be assured that the Library is working for the greatest good for the greatest number.

**MR. G. H. RAE ADDED TO AG. EXTENSION FORCE**  
A new member has been added to the staff of the Department of Agricultural Extension, in the person of Mr. George H. Rae, who took up his duties the first of this month. Mr. Rae will act in the capacity of bee specialist. He has had no little experience along that line, and he will, without doubt prove to be a valuable member of the Extension Division of Cornell University.

## BULLETIN

Tuesday, December 6

7:00 p. m.—Lecture by Dean Chambers "The Educational Crisis" Old Chapel  
7:30 p. m.—Bradford County Club 315 Old Main  
7:00 p. m.—Lycoming County Club, 14 L. A.

Wednesday, December 7

7:00 p. m.—Home Economic Lecture by Mr. Taylor of Harrisburg, Old Chapel  
7:00 p. m.—Wayne County Club, 315 Old Main  
7:00 p. m.—Fayette County Club, 315 Old Main

Thursday, December 8

6:45 p. m.—Schuylkill County Club, 315 Old Main.

### New Books On The Library Shelves

Among the recent accessions to the library there are many books of literature, fiction and history, which will undoubtedly be of great interest to the student body. THE COLLEGIAN will from time to time, publish announcements of new books secured by the library. Some of the books acquired during October and November are: Fiction—Abbot—Peace on Earth, Good Will to Dogs; Alcaran—The Three Corners Hat; Ashford—Daisy; Ashford; Her Book; Caine—The Master of Man; Dawson—The Kingdom Round the Corner; Galeworthy—Awakening; Galeworthy—To Let; Gibbs—The Vagrant Duke; Parkington—Alice Adams; Poole—Blind; Literature—Brown—The Life of Goethe; Guest—Just Folks; Guest—The Path to Home; Guest—When Day is Done; Claxton—Effective English; History—Adams—America and Americans; O'Brien—Mystic Isles of South Sea; Smith—Militarism and Statecraft; Kitching—Naval Lessons of the Great War; Mark—Los Estados Unidos.

**FRESHMEN HAVE WON TWO CLASS FOOTBALL SCRAPS**  
From 1913 to 1920, the record for the Freshman-Sophomore football scrap stands at two victories for the Fresh, which were in 1913 and 1914, and five 0-0 tie score games. They have been all real battles fought in all kinds of fields. In 1917 the game was played in eight inches of snow.

**PADDOCK OUT TO BEAT 440-YARD DASH RECORD**  
Charles Paddock of the University of California will be out this coming season to break the record in the 440 yard dash. Earlier in the season he decided not to represent the University this season but he has reconsidered his decision.

**PUSHBALL SCRAP REPLACED BY FLOUR RUSH IN 1914**  
In the fall of 1914, the annual Fresh-Soph Pushball Scrap was abolished and the Flour Rush was substituted. One hundred freshmen each carried a small sack of flour and were guarded by the rest of the freshmen. After a thirty minute attack by the sophomores, if the freshmen were able to show ten undamaged sacks, they won the contest.

**STATE COLLEGE WOMEN TO MEET THIS EVENING**  
Of especial interest to local women will be the annual dinner of the State College chapter of the American Association of University Women, to be held this evening in the Women's Building. After the dinner, which will be followed by a short business meeting, the last act of Moliere's famous comedy "The Imaginary Sick Man" will be presented.

Miss Lucretia Simmons will give an explanation of the first part of the play, after which the last act which has been coached under the direction of Miss Margaret Knight, will be played. Those taking the principal roles in the comedy are Mrs. F. L. Bentley, Mrs. D. K. Peet, Mrs. C. W. Hasek, Miss Gertrude Adams, Miss Pauline Beery, and Miss Evelyn Smith.

## YEAST EXPERT SPEAKS BEFORE LIEBIG SOCIETY

Dr. R. E. Lee of Fleishman Yeast Co. Tells of Research Work in Bio-Chemistry

Dr. R. E. Lee, who is director of the Research Department of the Fleishman-Yeast Company, and whose specialty is Bio-Chemistry, was entertained at a dinner last Monday night under the auspices of the Liebig Chemical Society of Penn State and by invitation of Dr. R. A. Dutcher, head of the Department of Agricultural Chemistry. The dinner was attended by twenty-three representatives of the Schools of Agriculture and Natural Science. After the dinner Dr. Lee gave an informal talk on subjects relating to yeast and its manufacture. Among other subjects, Dr. Lee touched on what the research laboratory of the Yeast Company is accomplishing and gave an idea of the various emergency problems that often arise and which call for quick solving by the chemists of the company. In connection with the late developments in Bio-Chemistry, he spoke particularly of the work of chemists in reference to the remarkable discoveries recently made in investigations of yeast reactions. Among other discoveries lately made along the line of yeast fermentation was the fact that the latter is seemingly only a surface reaction, instead of taking place all through the liquid undergoing fermentation, as was formerly thought. An experiment that was also of great importance was carried out by placing an oil emulsion on sterilized kaolin. The experimenters were very much surprised to find this reaction between the kaolin and oil emulsion yielding the same end products as are produced in yeast fermentation, even giving the precipitin test. Thus, reactions formerly thought to be characteristic of yeast only were brought about between substances entirely foreign and unrelated to that organism. Without doubt this discovery will prove to be the opening of a new territory for research chemists along biological chemistry lines.

The Fleishman Company has adopted the policy of placing a considerable amount of its research work in charge of several institutions of higher learning whose chemistry laboratories are of a high degree of efficiency. Fellowships already have been granted to Yale University of Chicago, Illinois University, Columbia, and one of the universities of California.

## MOVIES ON MILK SHOWN TO STUDENTS IN D. H.

Working in the interest of better Dairy Husbandry throughout the state two films released by the Interstate Milk Producers of Philadelphia were shown last Thursday night under the auspices of the Dairy Husbandry Department. These films were exhibited in Old Chapel and were open to the public, no admission being charged.

The two films entitled "The Romance of the Milk Bottle" and "The Turn of the Road" respectively, preparatory to their showing were explained by Professor Morley of the Dairy Husbandry Department. The "Romance of the Milk Bottle" was produced primarily for the purpose of showing the value of the contents of milk to food to students. This was done by having their various constituents of the milk represented by children, each one telling of its food value by means of a little play. The results of modern methods in the production of milk was illustrated forcibly by the film "The Turn of the Road." The importance of strict cleanliness in the milk supply was shown by life "Before and After" on a farm in which the farmer was able to increase his profits and prevent loss by more sanitary methods in handling his milk. It was announced that a film had been secured from the Quaker Oats Company and would be shown under the auspices of the Dairy Husbandry Club on January 20. This film deals with the breeding and raising of Holstein cattle.

## FORESTRY DEPT. SHOWS FILM ON WHITE PINE

Free movies dealing with White Pine were shown yesterday afternoon at the Nittany Theatre by the Bureau of Plant Industry of the Department of Agriculture at Washington, D. C., in cooperation with the Department of Forestry. A series of very interesting

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films were shown as follows: "White Pine—the Wood of Woods," "White Pine—The Paying Crop for Idle Lands"; "The Story of the White Pine"; and "Logging Eastern White Pine".

A large number of students in Forestry and Botany were especially interested in the films and were present together with students from other Departments and Schools of the College.

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