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THE STUDENT CAMPAIGN

Official announcement is made in this issue of the drive that is to be made among the students as the third step in the two million dollar Health and Welfare Campaign.

Closely following the gifts of the potato growers and the poultrymen of the state, the faculty drive was inaugurated yesterday with a one hundred per cent participation by the School of Mines.

It is fitting and proper that Student Council should have entire charge of the drive. An organization has been planned and the appointments to fill the various positions will be presented to the body at its meeting tonight.

The amount to be asked from each student is one hundred dollars. Each canvasser will be given the names of ten students and he will be asked to interview each one.

STUNT NIGHT

The strict observance of college customs at Penn State should receive a distinct boom by the action Student Council is expected to take in substituting a new custom for the old Poster Night.

This statement is based upon facts. In a majority of cases when an alumnus of the college is given an opportunity to talk about his Alma Mater and the conversation drifts around to customs as they are enforced in these recent years, he generally deprecates the fact that indifference and leniency have sprung up to take the place of the zealous observance that characterized the earlier years of Penn State history.

In the past few years, the average freshman has matriculated with no idea of his own insignificance and he was not taught differently. He enjoyed the first two weeks of college and then settled down a life of self-centered behavior.

Student Council did well to take a hand in the matter when the president of the organization was authorized by it to appoint a committee whose duty would be to consider the substitution of some custom for Poster Night.

Such a night, if it should prove to be successful, would provide an excellent start for a customs campaign to last the entire year. We suggest that each member of the three upper classes consider the advisability of helping in the strict enforcement of all true Penn State customs.

THE FACULTY ARE COMING ACROSS

It speaks well for the School of Mines that it first attained 100% participation in the Faculty drive that is taking place this week.

tary contribution to the cause. Thus it is hoped to usher in the drive among the students, which is to take place next week.

CROSS CROSSINGS CAUTIOUSLY

A belated word has come to the attention of the college authorities relative to the careful crossing campaign that is receiving wide press publicity in all sections of the country.

A sticker is to be circulated around the college, beginning with this issue, on which are printed seven rules for governing the action of the motorist when approaching a crossing.

Education

WHAT EDUCATION HAS DONE FOR THE UNITED STATES By Dr. John M. Thomas

Three hundred years ago this present year the first attempt to set up a public school system in this country met with a temporary reversal.

Down through the three centuries that separate that time from this, our educational system has grown until in 48 states we now have a system of education that, for diversity of curriculum and democracy of spirit is not surpassed in all the world.

Probably the greatest work of the schools of the United States has been a general elevation of the standard of living to a point higher than that reached by the people of any other country.

And if this public educational system, if the Pennsylvania State College, which is at the apex of that system, have succeeded in lessening disease among potatoes, in lessening disease among people, in making life more livable, that system has been justified.

been able to do and in the increased service that it desires to give, that the Pennsylvania State College now seeks to become a University in name as well as in fact, looking toward the eventual accommodation of 10,000 regular students.

Notice

All radio operators interested in the operation of the College Radio Station and wishing to try out for a position at the station should notify G. L. Crossley at the Electrical Engineering Department not later than Friday noon, September twenty-second.

All Freshmen must have their schedule cards signed by the Physical Education Department before Wednesday, September twentieth, at 10:00 A. M.

All students who contemplate the scheduling of tennis for credit in Physical Education should see Mr. Myers this week in order to arrange for periods.

Campus Gossip

This Colyum is not supposed to be humorous. Its editor's fault if it is. If ever the spicket runs dry, which is liable to happen any time, then there will be this colyum for that time.

We notice that a campus fixture is missing. Where is that colored hound by the name of "Bob"? That summer session always upsets things around these parts.

And that reminds us of the report going the rounds that they had a very fair session here this summer. In fact it was so fair that less work was done than usual—that is in the daytime. We know nothing of the night's practicums that were staged.

Much comment is being made in the secret places of the enormous prices of books this semester. The bird behind the counter calls out, "Five dollars, please" without even quivering an eyelash.

Campaign Headquarters have modestly asked one hundred dollars from each student for "Health and Welfare." But what do you want for nothing? Even "Doc" Ritenour will tell you that it runs high to be blessed with the vigor and vitality of life.

It is interesting to note that the soccer players are getting away to an earlier start this year. We are of the opinion that it is a wise move after glancing over the tentative schedule that faces the booters.

If Student Council approves of the new Stunt Night, it means that the Frosh are in for a most unusual time. From the advance dope that has been given us, the fun will commence at eight o'clock and last till midnight at least.

to better observance of customs than in previous years. The girl students are certainly starting things with a bang this semester, also. It was a mighty fine thing for them to pledge their enrollment proceeds to the Building Fund.

By the way you've got to hand it to the Mining Faculty for coming across with the 100% participation the way they have. They must have some live wires in that school to steal a march on the other schools and Departments.

Everybody seems to be anxious for the whistle to blow on New Beaver Field. Several new faces are going to be seen in the game this year and the boys are anxious to look them over.

STATE FERTILITY PLOTS NOW FORTY YEARS OLD

The thousands of farmers who annually visit Penn State to attend events arranged for their benefit by the School of Agriculture, invariably devote a large portion of their visit to a study of the college's historic fertility plots, farmed as the oldest in the United States.

The forty years' results of the experiments have been summarized by the college's soil specialists and will soon be issued in bulletin form, together with recommendations based on crop yields from each of the 144 test plots since 1881.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. DeVore, of Monaca, Pa., who have given much encouragement to them, thus helping them to attain brilliant records in high school, and graduate in the rank of upper third of their class.

PENN STATE CONDUCTS

MAN AND WOMAN HUNT Using two-cent stamps instead of blood-hounds, the college office has begun a man and woman hunt that is unique in the annals of the college.

More energy is wasted by strained vision than by any other defect. Dr. McCormick says, "Eighty-five percent of all our ailments are due to over-taxed eyes."

FROSH ENJOY RECEPTION BY "Y" ORGANIZATIONS

The Freshmen thoroughly enjoyed the reception given under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A., the Y. W. C. A. and the wives of the faculty members last Friday night on the front campus.

Following the usual custom, the new men formed in line and entered the front campus where they were introduced to President and Mrs. Thomas and faculty members.

There were numerous tables, from which ice cream was served, arranged in a semicircle facing Old Main. The tables were lighted with candles and decorated with cut flowers.

FOURTEEN YEAR OLD FROSH ENROLLED AT PENN STATE

When enrollment records were broken last week at the Pennsylvania State College, the record for the youngest students ever admitted to the college was also broken.

Applications were made for them in spite of the fact that the over crowded conditions at the college had necessitated the turning away of many qualified applicants in the past three years.

DR. SIMMONS TO REPRESENT PENN STATE AT BRYN MAWR

President John M. Thomas today appointed Dr. Lucrilia V. T. Simmons, head of the German department, as the representative of Pennsylvania State College at the inauguration of Dr. Marion Edwards Park as president of Bryn Mawr College on October twenty-first.

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