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THE SOPHOMORE HOP

Rivalling in grandeur the Junior Prom and being blessed with the enthusiastic support of a united underclass student body, the annual Hop will be staged in the Armory as the second affair of this nature in the institution. It is the second installment of an experiment, inaugurated two years ago and has earned a permanent place on the college calendar.

As it occupies a prominent position in student thought at the present time, it might well be discussed from an impartial point of view for the purpose of discovering its commendable and undesirable features. There seems to be an invariable law to the effect that a new undertaking harbors many imperfections and, not a few times, it may conceal something desirable that the public fails to notice at the time. Perhaps, the Hop follows the rule and not the exception.

There exists little doubt as to the need in the social life of Penn State of a function of the nature of the Sophomore Hop. Its success last year justifies this statement and the advance indications for this year support the belief that its inception was a step forward. However, there exists a danger that it will take a jump forward instead of a step which would be undesirable and open to criticism by all careful-thinking students, no matter to what class they may belong. The Sophomore Hop should not be allowed to equal or surpass in anyway the Junior Prom.

It is a tradition of the college that the Junior Prom is the greatest social event in the life of the under-graduate at Penn State. It has been this way for years and should remain so. No rivalry between it and the Hop should be permitted for then there is danger of extravagance, a thing that is frowned upon now. Therefore, instead of having both affairs increase their expense merely for the purpose of maintaining superiority, let a fair limit be placed upon both. Competition is the food for the "sky is the limit" attitude and a liberal injection of control mixed with common sense will often keep the fever down to a healthy value. Measures, taken by responsible parties on the campus to serve as a guide in the planning of these social affairs and not as a weapon of extinction would be welcomed by those who have the welfare of the institution and the student body at heart.

But be that as it may, there is at least one feature of the Hop for which the committee and Sophomore Class is to be commended. The decorations for the Hop have been designed and arranged entirely by student talent, without any outside supervision. Experience of the past has taught Prom committees that professional decorators are fickle personages with large ideas and larger pocketbooks. This year, the Hop committee has preferred to place implicit faith in the sincere and hard work of the classmen and it appears that they have chosen a wise course. In this day of reform, when an effort is being made by all connected with the college to do away with all unnecessary expenditures, the Junior Prom committee would do well to follow the lead of their younger brothers in this respect.

COACH HERMANN AND HIS TEAMS

It is the policy of the COLLEGIAN to pay tribute where tribute is due, and who cares to dispute the fact that "Dutch" Hermann, master builder of Nittany quintets is one of the most deserving individuals on the Penn State campus! With the completion of the cage season and a general survey of the remarkable record hung up by the Blue and White five, praise is heard on all sides for the feats of the players. However, there is just a chance that the efforts of the man behind the team may be regarded too lightly by the 'unthinking public' amidst the expressions of delight for victories achieved.

Truly, this has been a triumphant season, with thirteen conquests and one defeat by a two-point margin. But winning floor teams have been the rule rather than the exception under the training of "Dutch" Hermann. Probably the best example of his worth as a coach may be seen, not from this season's record, but from the excellent showing made by the Nittany five last year under adverse conditions.

Facing a fourteen game schedule last winter without a single veteran on hand for duty, the Penn State basketball mentor tackled a problem difficult of solution but proved equal to the occasion and turned out a team which finished the season with a commendable record of nine victories and five reverses. This year the Nittany floor team has enjoyed one of the most brilliant successes in the history of the institution. There is always a reason for a winning cage team. Penn State's reason is "Dutch" Hermann.

A HEARTY WELCOME

To the many and various fair ones who are visiting the college this week as guests of the underclassmen at the second annual Sophomore Hop, Penn State extends a hearty welcome. We trust that your visit here may be filled with happiness and that the many events of the week-end will afford a continual round of pleasure.

PENN STATE TEACHERS

TAKE NEW POSITIONS

J. E. Weber and A. C. Miller, instructors in the dairy manufacturing work of the Penn State winter short courses in Agriculture, have left State College to assume duties of new positions. Mr. Weber has accepted a position as superintendent of the Valley Bell Dairy Company, Charleston, W. Va. This is a responsible position, which will require Weber's training and experience in ice manufacturing. Mr. Miller has accepted a position with the Leitchman's Ice Cream Company at Hazleton, where his extensive and thorough knowledge of dairy manufacturing will greatly aid him to become an important factor in his new line of work.

HEALTH SERVICE REPORT

SHOWS LESS SICKNESS

After being confined to the college infirmary for three weeks, C. D. Walter '24 was removed to the city hospital at Harrisburg to undergo a masectomy operation, as the larger hospital was better able to care for the patient. One new case of scarlet fever was reported on Monday, as a result of which G. H. Knause, '25 may be required to remain in quarantine thirty days. There was a noticeable decrease in the number of sick cases reported during the month of February, and the indications are that the students are exercising more care in the treatment of coughs and colds.

Campus Gossip

Second Assistant Track Managers will give a sigh of relief with the advent of spring. No more snow to shove out from the board track.

But then, there will be the big cinder track to rake and roll, so what's the difference?

The fact that the senior C & F's are going to take an inspection trip to New York City is worth a paragraph, we believe.

And, speaking of inspection trips, we suggest that the classical students take in King "Tuts" tomb.

Because of the discovery of said tomb, we must now be cursed with ultra-colorful Egyptian raiment.

Why can't they let the dead rest in peace? At least, let dead enough alone—especially when it comes to Egyptian styles.

Even if you live in Lemont, ride the Red Bus Line at Easter for the benefit of the Campaign Fund.

Such a fine example of donating one's entire earnings for a day to Penn State might be profitably followed by other local merchants.

As a sequel to the prize contest on 'How I Am Working My Way Through College,' we suggest the subject, 'How to Get Through College With The Least Amount of Work.'

C. & F. students are debarred from competing in the above contest. We want others to have a chance.

An ungrateful frosh is one who refuses to attend the Soph Hop which is being given in his honor.

The suggestion that the men whose names appear on the Liberal Arts Building are old and famous grads with long distance records seems plausible.

As the numerals indicate, any man who succeeded in loafing through college from 1919 to 1926 deserves such honorable mention.

We are already on the waiting list for one of the books of Penn State facts and traditions to be published by Student Council.

Besides freshmen, we know others who are woefully ignorant on facts about their Alma Mater. We shall cram up as soon as the book appears.

Called from the Headlines HORSESHOE TRAIL WILL INCLUDE STATE COLLEGE. Beware of the approaching horde of barnyard golfers!

UNIV. OF TEXAS CO-EDS LIKE FIFTY MILE HIKES. It all depends with whom one is hiking, we are told.

COL. CO-EDS SAY LONG DRESSES PREVENT SPEED. We wondered what made co-eds so slow.

ARCHITECTS GET CHANCE TO TRAVEL IN EUROPE. There must be some catch in it.

SPIKED WALLS FOR TRUANT CO-EDS OF OXFORD UNIV. Page the Society for Protection against Cruelty to Animals!

SCHOLARSHIP OFFERED FOR MOVIE SCENARIO

Universal Pictures Corp. Offers \$1000 to College Student Submitting Best Plot

Announcement is made of a scholarship of one thousand dollars which will be awarded by Carl Laemmle, of the Universal Pictures Corporation, to the college student submitting the best scenario from which a motion picture can be produced. The college of which the successful student is a member will receive a like sum.

The award will be made in yearly installments throughout the balance of the winner's college course. In addition to the scholarship at least five hundred dollars will be paid for the scenario itself.

Some of the most important rules governing this novel contest are as follows: Scenarios should be written in short story form, in the simplest and briefest manner possible. Scenarios must be typewritten. Title, full name of writer, and name of his college must appear in the upper right hand corner of first page. Students must state at end of scenario that the idea used, as far as they know, is an original one.

The judges will be chosen by the Universal Pictures Corporation and their decision shall be final. The announcement of the winner of the contest will be made not later than September fifteenth, 1923. In view of the fact that not only the prize-winning scenario, but also other promising ones will be purchased, it is expected that a large number of college students throughout the country will participate in the contest.

Penn Statesmen

Arthur W. Fisher '10

One of the leading literary lights and the original humorist of this college, was Arthur W. Fisher. From all accounts "Art" pushed a mean pencil during his four years at Penn State, for he took charge of all the existing literary activities of the college and, in addition, as the first editor-in-chief of "Froth" originated one of his own.

According to the '10 La Vie, Fisher was born with a pencil in his hand, was a printer's devil at five and an editor of a large metropolitan daily at the ripe old age of sixteen. Without doubt, this is "the bunk," but we are certain that Fisher entered Penn State in the fall of 1906 and at once entered a number of campus activities.

It is evident that our literary genius did not "foul" for in his junior year he was elected editor-in-chief of the La Vie and became a member of the Student Council. But these activities were not enough to keep him busy

and, accordingly, in his senior year he took charge of the COLLEGIAN as its editor-in-chief. The college band and orchestra also received his attention and during his four years, as an undergraduate, he was a member of these two organizations.

It was in his senior year, that "Art" made a bid for his share of college fame. Under his direction the wits of the college were gathered together and the result of their combined efforts was the appearance of the first issue of Froth in June 1910. Taking for its motto the quaint phrase, "Smile Dam you, Smile," "Froth" met with instant popularity and since then, Fisher's literary experiment has become one of the most hardy and prosperous of the college publications.

Fisher is a member of the Theta Xi fraternity and of Lion's Paw Society. At present he is connected with the Union Switch and Signal Company.

Letter Box

Editor Collegian, State College, Pa.

Dear Sir:

The question in the minds of a great many Penn State students today is, "Was Spirit Week a success or failure?" I believe that without a doubt it was a success, but are we doing our part now to perpetuate it?

We hear considerable mention made of the "Dumb Ag". However, when we stop to think of it, this name does not seem so applicable. The idea that we are slow in taking hold did not hold good in the observance of Spirit Week. Penn State Spirit has been exemplified in the Ag School to a greater degree than in any other school in the campus. If all the students would show as much spirit and friendliness as the students of agriculture do, there could be no thought of Spirit Week not having been a success.

A stranger could not help but notice the friendliness shown on the Hill, and the manner in which that friendly "Hello", known only to Penn State students, is carried back and forth from one to the other when passing. Can not every Penn State student follow the footsteps of our friends the "Dumb Ags", if one can so term them now? Yours for Penn State Spirit, An Ag

YOUNG AMERICANS MAY NOW BE TRAINED FOR AMBASSADORSHIPS

American young men who look forward to careers as ambassadors, foreign ministers or other representatives of their government abroad may now be trained for such a career, just as for the law, medicine or other profession, according to an announcement by New York University. The announcement makes public the fact that scholarships established at New York University by the late Ambassador Frederic Courtland Penfield are now operative and will be awarded to candidates whose qualifications best indicate a fitness for careers in the foreign service.

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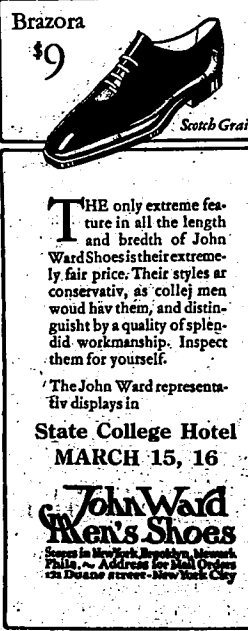
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D. H. CLUB MAKES PLANS FOR SPRING ACTIVITIES

Stock Judging Team To Be Sent to Two Dairy Shows—Mock Sale Is Planned

At the meeting of the Penn State Dairy Husbandry Club, held last Wednesday in the Dairy Building, extensive plans were made for spring activities.

The Club intends to send a stock judging team to the National Dairy Show at Syracuse and to the Interstate Exposition, which will include a large exhibit of dairy animals, to be held in Springfield, Massachusetts. The team, which in the past has defrayed its own expenses, will this year be backed by the club. The expense will probably be met by the sale of dairy products, ice cream and the like, at college festivities during the spring. D. A. McCarthy '23, is chairman of the committee in charge.

To E. R. Tomb '23, was given the commission of securing men in the production and manufacturing ends of the dairy industry to address the club on their work.

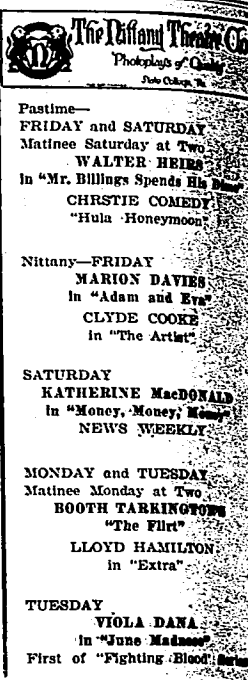
Shortly after Easter, a mock sale of dairy stock will be conducted in order to give the members of the club in judging and preparing animals for sale. This work is in the charge of W. J. Lowry '23.

AGRONOMY PROF. TO SPEAK AT TOBACCO GROWERS BANQUET

F. D. Gardner, professor of Agronomy, has been asked to speak at the annual meeting and banquet of the Lycoming and Clinton county tobacco

growers, who assemble each year in order to discuss means of increasing the production of tobacco. The meeting is to be held on March 23 at Lock Haven.

The Duffell Theatre Co.
Pastime—FRIDAY and SATURDAY Matinee Saturday at Two
WALTER HEIBS
In "Mr. Billings Spends His Christmas Comedy"
"Hula Honeymoon"
Nittany—FRIDAY
MARION DAVIES
In "Adam and Eve"
CLYDE COOKE
In "The Artist"
SATURDAY
KATHERINE MACDONALD
In "Money, Money, Money"
NEWS WEEKLY
MONDAY and TUESDAY Matinee Monday at Two
BOOTH TARKINGTON
"The Flirt"
LLOYD HAMILTON
In "Extra"
TUESDAY
VIOLA DANA
In "June Madam"
First of "Fighting Blood"



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