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### "THE PENN STATE HELLO"

Penn State, like all other similar institutions of learning, has certain fixed and definite customs, handed down from year to year and supposedly observed or enforced, as the case may be, by all of the undergraduates. Although the customs as a whole at the Nittany institution were formed with the idea of benefiting the observers thereof, it is unmistakeably evident that there are some productive of more beneficial results than others. It is decidedly unfortunate, therefore, that one of the customs which merits unanimous support from the standpoint of returnable profits, should be allowed to fall so noticeably into decline.

The custom which is thus slipping from a place of major importance to one of subsidiary interest in the eyes of the students, is the custom of saying "hello" to passersby on the streets, in the corridors and on the campus. This year's newcomers have been especially negligent in this respect. Even "Bez", with all his troubles incident to rounding out a championship football team, has had time to notice it.

But the freshmen alone are not at fault. The members of the three upper classes must shoulder some of the blame. The responsibility of seeing that customs are enforced devolves upon them; it is their duty as Penn State men to see that this time-honored custom of saying "hello" is observed by the freshmen and to set an example by observing the custom themselves.

But reminders of this nature should not be necessary. It should not be a case of compulsion. One member of the Nittany family should not be forced to greet another on the street. "The Penn State Hello" ought to be recognized as the distinguishing mark of a Penn State man. It should be placed in the same category with the Alma Mater. Undergraduates should regard it as their sacred privilege to use it. And it should never be forgotten or abused when two Penn

By abuse is meant the half-hearted and ofttimes "sissified" manner in which the "now you tag me hello" is given. Such a greeting has no place on the Nittany campus. "The Penn State Hello", to be wentz on Saturday and the Shenandoal typical of the institution, ought to originate somewhere between the belt buckle and the back bone and boom forth at the mouth piece with enough volume for not only the addressee, who might be a hundred yards away, to hear, but for everyone else within half a block to recognize.

"The Penn State Hello", meaning "I'm a Penn State man and I'm proud of it", should be made a characteristic feature of the institution. There would be no need for reminders in that event.

### STUNT NIGHT

Stunt Night has come and gone, and with it have come and yet remain recollections of a more or less unpleasant nature. It is unfortunate, but withal quite natural, that each annual recurrence of the old time Poster Night should call forth adverse criticism either wood City High School on the part of the students or the college authorities.

Stunt Night, as observed last year, was not a rousing success in the eyes of the students. "Too tame" was the phrase applied to it by the majority of the undergraduates. But no objection was raised on Army backfield. the majority of the undergraduates. But no objection was raised on the part of the college authorities. The fact of the matter is that they were pleased to note a step forward, a reversion from the barbaric tendencies of the past.

This year Stunt Night, accompanied with the swish of paddles on unsuspecting freshmen, the rushing of movies, the raiding of candy shops, and the partial return to savagery around a camp fire was keenly enjoyed by the students and acclaimed a decided improvement over last year's observance. But such recognition was not accorded it by the college authorities. It was ever thus. Students and college officials do not regard occurrences of this kind from the same ment over last year's observance. But such recognition was not accollege officials do not regard occurrences of this kind from the same point of view.

It is unfortunate that some happy medium cannot be arrived at whereby all will be satisfied,—"made happy", to use Coach Bezdek's own phrase in speaking of the matter. Truly, here is a fertile field for work on the part of Student Council and the other governing student bodies which function along these lines at Penn State.

President Thomas has declared himself as against any and all forms of barbarism, however they may be interpreted, in connection with affairs of this nature. He has taken his stand. And he is right in his contention. But undergraduates do not look at these things from the same view point. It is hardly natural that they should. Here, then, is the task confronting the leaders of student reforms at Penn State,-to educate the undergraduates to think along the lines indicated by President Thomas, the lines which will reflect most credit on their Alma Mater.

It required courage for "Prexy" to take his stand in the face of adverse criticism on the part of three thousand students. And courage is admired by Penn State men. "Prexy" will be supported.

Penn State's Y. M. C. A. needs help. The annual financial campaign for funds with which to carry on the year's work was officially launched last night and will be of four days duration. During that time each undergraduate will be interviewed individually and will be given an opportunity to subscribe his share. It is a worthy cause and merits student support.

## Gridiron Gossip

Down in Little Washington, there is big lad who is pushing some of Heis-nan's first string men for a varsity erth. He is none other than Ray Ride. giant tackle on last year's Penn State

est football captain in collegiate circles in George Pfann who first saw the

Which brings to our mind the fact town that the late President Harding nade famous.

A baseball game first, after which goa posts are set up and a football game played is the novel idea that professional teams have instituted in Canton Ohio. And all for the price of one ad-

They were going to do the same thing at Penn State but "Bez" was afraid that it would take "Dutch" Bedenk nd "Mike" Palm too long to chang

"Red" Roberts, all-American cente rom Center college (this is not one o ur puns) is chief coach at Waynesbur College. The blg boy brought southerners up with him who made the varsity team,

The "Big Three" are priming for heir little world's series which will start about the time that we are sting ing the Georgia Yellowjackets. they always play to banner crowds,

Only proving that Barnum was right born every day.

Against the heavy Penn State grid eam Lebanon Valley had little chance o strut its stuff.

But the visitors played a good clear game and we wish them lots of luck in the games that are coming.

And they'll need it for the Annyille eleven has a schedule that is a minia

Next week Lebanon Valley plays Holy Cross and then comes Villa Nova, Franklin and Marshall, Army, Spring-field, Gettysburg and Washington in

A lot of energy was wasted by "Dick schuster in walking back and forth to the middle of the fleld after dirt o which to tee up his kicks after touch

Not wasted after all when you con sider that Schuster kicked six out o seven for the extra points. And that's not such a good average for Dick.

loesn't play golf.

Speaking of kicks what's the use of Harry Wilson running seventy-five yards for a touchdown when Onyx can

A lot of fight was shown by "Barney lad plowed through the opposition fo ome good gains

Did you see Andy Lydell at the game Penn State's oldest rooter was optimist ic about the game but seemed slightly essimistic about the weather for hi vas armed with a pair of formidabl

Shuler, Pitt quarterback, played oig part in the Panther's impressiv victory over Bucknell on Saturday,

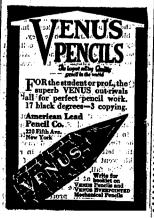
The Blue and Gold signal barker, by he way, is a former team-mate of ohnson, Nittany halfback. That was a few years ago when both were vorting around the gridiron for Ell

Up at West Point, "Tiny" Hewitt

"Nate" Cartmell has found an embr track star if the way "Bas" Gray tore down the field after intercepting that ısa can be taken as a criterion.

### COMMITTEE INVESTIGATES PENITENTIARY CONDITIONS

The committee of six men that was men went in an advisory capacity for the purpose of suggesting ways and means of increasing the production of wholesome food supplies for the in-mates at Rockview and other penal institutions in the state, at the same time keeping in mind the fullest pos sible employment and moral unlift of soble employment and moral uppirt of the prisoners. The committee will make several visits to the institution before it is ready for the report.



### GRADUATE SCHOOL STILL RECEIVING ENROLLMENTS

One hundred and ten men have reg stered thus far in the Graduate Schoo and enrollments are still coming in to Dr. F. D. Kern, Dean of the scho Besides being greater than last year this enrollment contains a larger per-centage of resident graduate students than at this time a year ago. Ther are eighty-eight men registered for classes, nine who have completed class work and are still working on their thesis, and thirteen non-resident can didates for technical degrees. Of these thirty-two are new men this year.

This is the first year that men doing part time assisting in instructing and part time graduite work, have been given a definite rank on the college staff as graduate assistants. There are four in the School of Natural Science, one in the School of Liberal Arts, three in the School of Mines, three in the School of Engineering, and four in the School of Agriculture, making a total of fifteen men. Heretofore there have been men engaged in the same type of work, but they have never been given

## OLD NITTANY FOOTBALL MAN VISITS PENN STATE

Played Professional Baseball in Old American League and Served in World War

Mr. C. M. H. Atherton '92, a son of the late G. W. Atherton, former President of Penn State, has been granted a leave of absence from the New York Presbyterian Board of Home Missions. with whom he is employed, and is spend-ing a few weeks at Penn State recalling reminiscences of his college days. During his college career, Mr. Athe-

rton was one of the best athletes a Penn State, being a member of the varsity football and baseball teams for four years. His work at fullback was so sensational that he was made coach of the team three years after his grad uation. Mr. Atherton recalls the days in which he played with vivid memor for in one week-end, the team engage versity of Virginia, Columbia Athletic Club of Washington, D. C., and Dickinon and defeated them all.

A few years after graduating, Mr. Atherton entered the professional base. ball ranks, playing with such teams as Washington in the old Twelve Club league and with Buffalo and Milwaukee in the old American league. He also played professional football for two years, appearing in the old Pittsburgh A. C. and Greensburg A. C. lineups. When the World War broke out, Mr. Atherton entered the Czecho-Slovak

army and while in Russia, met F. I. Olmstead, secretary of the Penn State Y. M. C. A. At the end of one year, Mr. Atherton returned to this country as an interpreter and later resume his duties with the organization with which he is now connected.

### UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA HONORS WORLD WAR HEROES

It has been recently decided that the will be named Memorial Gym ansium in honor of University of Virginia Alumni who were killed in the World War.

If present plans are carried out Memorial Gymnasium will be thrown open to the students in time for the 1924 basketball season, which gets under way immediately after the Christmas holidays

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# Thoughts of Others

announcement that an investi of University authorities to

There is no doubt that student-own-d automobiles have considerable inluence on scholastic standards. True it is that some students find a car an absolute necessity in their college business. The campus is large and some professional students, notably those in the Medical school, are often obliged to go long distances in a short time. To such students the letter does not apply.

in automobile is not only a luxury but burden. It takes time from studies we may introduce a platitude, it excludes a lot of walking which is excel-lent exercise. Careful observation will reveal the fact that those who are late or bolt classes are most often the stu-dent owners of automobiles. On the whole it is safe to say that those who need a machine at school will use it carefully and reasonably, while those to whom a car is a useless and exper sive luxury are often prone to abu

### MADE TO ORDER

always an interesting, and frequently tures of student life at Ithaca, than i er than on the University Whose bread I eat, his song I sing.

One particular feature of the Bible for 1923-1924, however, merits specia mention. On page fifty-five, at the termination of the list of "Freshmar tules," under the general heading of "Traditions," we note that "No unde



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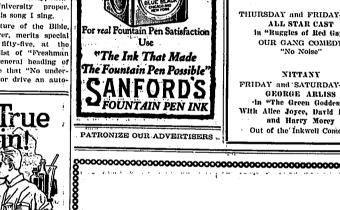
### STUDENT CAR OWNERS

'(The Michigan Dally) ation of the scholarship situation on the campus is now in progress recalls to mind the letter which students re-selved from President Burton asking for parental cooperation in reducing idently had little time to be "transmit the number of student-owned automo-biles at the University, President Bur-ton's letter and the scholarship investigation are both in line with the plans edge, not even a law of no standing the already rigid scholarship standards to an even higher plane.

which should be the primary object of all in attendance at the University; the upkeep is expensive; and finally, if

(Cornell Dally Sun)

The Cornell Freshman Handboo popularly known as the Frosh Bible, is an amusing booklet. Presumably, it is intended to give the student entering the University for the first time, such eneral information concerning affairs Cornellian as may be of interest or convenience to him, its editors are con-scientious and well-meaning, and, if more prominence is given to some feaaccorded to others, such is only the natural result of the booklet's dependnce on a special Ithaca activity, rath-



### mobile in Ithaca, except when accompanied by his parents or visitors." A reference to the dictionary inform

us that traditions are "customs, rites or practices, which have prevailed Customs transmitted orally from gen ration to generation. A body of laws of long standing." In this instance the ted orally from generation to genera-tion;" and, far from being a law of long standing, it is, to the best of our knowl

the passage of such a rule upon the Board of Trustees, which, to the best of our information, falled to act on he question, although there was considerable popular discussion on the matter. Valuable as such a rule might be, it is certainly not in existence now. The President of the Student Council, official interpreter of the Freshma Rules—see Freshman Handbook—holds this "tradition" to be null and vold, so that The Sun takes great pleasure in informing underclassmen, and partic ularly freshmen, that no external force automobile at Cornell, and that they will undoubtedly find a ready market for the vehicles as soon as they ar dropped from the University for failur

but no law at all,

An abortive attempt was made by
the Student Council last spring to urge

ELLIOT FELLOWSHIP MAN ENTERS INDUSTRIAL WORK

o maintain a satisfactory scholastic

John D. Tyson who held the Eliott Research Fellowship at the Peni State Engineering Experiment station last year has removed to the Standard Steel Works at Burnhum, where he is assistant to Mr. Lawford Fry. This year the Elliott Research Fellow-

ship has been awarded to R. H. Oster who was graduated in the Slectro-Chemical Engineering last June



FOUNTAIN PEN INK

### HEADS OF NEW SCHOOL FINISH SPEAKING TOUR

The newly created School of Educa tion, under the leadership of Dea Chambers, is at present carrying in a great amount of educational extensiof long standing." In this instance the libble is certainly not to be accepted as gospel. This "tradition" assuredly has never prevailed; it was never even thought of until last year, and has even thought of until last year, and has even the School of Education, have just a turned from speaking tone. turned from speaking tours made to various educational centers

Prof. Hurrell last Thursday addressed a teachers institute, comprising teachers of Erie and vicinity, and reteachers of Erie and vicinity, and re-ports that a large number of these teachers have signified their intential of pursuing one of the numerous com-es offered by the School of Education. This means added pressige for Pen State along Educational lines, Dean Chambers spent the week-end in the vicinity of Pittsburgh and on Saturbia evening was the principal speaker as banquet held by the extension star of that region.

### EXTENSIVE EXPERIMENTS ARE . CARRIED ON BY AGRONOMISTS

The Agronomy Department started experiments hast spring with the Mammoth White Jerusalem Artichoke Kudzu and Cherokee Clover, to see whether any of these are sultable as forage crops and which particular one was the best. At present the artichoke is the most promising of the three.
The tops of this last-named plant have recently been cut off and used. These tops were found satisfactory, yielding tops were found satisfactory, yielding the very good number of twenty tons the acre. The yield of tubers win come later, so a full report of the plant cannot be given as yet.



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