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DISINTERESTED PEOPLE

Only a small percentage of Penn State men were interested enough in the outcome of the annual Tie-Up Scrap to attend the affair on Saturday. Such a small turn-out on the part of the sophomores has necessitated a postponement of the meeting until a later date. Last year the Scrap was delayed for almost a month for the same reason.

This would indicate that there is either something wrong with the Scrap or else the fault lies with the participants. The Tie-Up Scrap was instituted to fill the vacancy caused by the inability to successfully bring back into usage the Push Ball Scrap and Poster Night, affairs which clearly demonstrated that a feeling of friendly rivalry existed between the classes. The Tie-Up Scrap affords an opportunity for class participation which is always better than a clash between individuals.

This dire lack of interest in affairs that pertain especially to their own class and to their own development is a gross reflection on the spirit of the sophomores. This is a situation in which the members of the upperclasses can lend a hand to promote a change in attitude and to cause the underclassmen to atone for their poor showing. In all probability there will be a future announcement of the Scrap on some week-end when there are no other attractions that would demand the attention of the participants. At that time let the juniors and seniors aid in obtaining a one hundred per cent turn-out.

It should not be necessary that a Penn State class scrap be announced weeks in advance in order to have a sufficient number of men on hand to carry the thing through. The failure to stage a duly authorized and acknowledged scrap because of an insufficient interest on the part of those who are expected to attend not only reflects unfavorably on the sophomores, but it also has a demoralizing effect on other activities of this nature. The disinterest shown by the sophomores by not attending the Scrap on Saturday is one of the things that tears down Penn State spirit.

FRATERNITY-UNIT DEBATING

With the announcement that the Sophomore Oratorical Contest will be continued this year comes the news that steps have been taken to promote a similar activity among the fraternity and unit groups. This idea is a good one and should it prove successful, will do much to heighten the interest in debating in general and at the same time afford some subject material, which under group discussion, should prove valuable all around.

The second-year men have an opportunity to participate in a speaking contest that includes two substantial prizes for the winners. The idea of a sophomore oratorical contest was originated and conducted by the department of English and quite some interest has been manifested in the various class rooms along this line.

The Forensic Council has now suggested the idea of a fraternity-unit contest and has made the suggestion to the effect that a suitable cup will be awarded the winner. The time is at hand for the various fraternities and unit organizations to consider this matter and to seek out by competition those men who would be most fitted to participate.

Each and every man in the chapter house or the unit should be allowed to take a hand in the try-outs. It would be a mistake to select a man or team from a group without first conducting a contest to determine the fitness of those men. Not only will this be beneficial to the men who are finally selected, but it will also be a means whereby every man may obtain valuable experience and knowledge.

The success of fraternity-unit debating depends on the support that the idea is given by the men which it includes; practically every man in College. Fraternity-unit debating will be a new thing at Penn State; the idea can be made a reality; all it needs is a little support and effort.

THE TRUE SPIRIT

After being forced to take a secondary place in the football world, Penn State has again loomed into the foreground with a victory. It has given the undergraduate new spirit and the team a new lease on life. All that can be hoped is that the winning streak will be continued, for it is believed that it will help matters greatly about the campus.

But while praise is being given to those who deserve it most, it might be well to mention one group of Penn State athletes who are always giving their utmost and who in turn receive but little praise. It is the Penn State soccer team. Entering the sixth year of undefeated, the Nittany booters continue to battle, year after year, oftentimes with but very few spectators on the grandstand.

Such spirit as is evidenced by these striped-jerseyed men is worthy of every bit of praise that can be given. To those students who have not yet seen the Penn State soccer team in action, it would be a lesson to witness the encounter with Lafayette next Saturday, and see with what determination and with what true spirit these men enter the fray; with what whole-heartedness they fight throughout the entire game. It is such spirit as this that has made them an undecatable team. Five years without a defeat; is it not worthy of commendation?

E. I. N. A. VOTE NAMES REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES

As a result of the presidential straw vote conducted by the Eastern Intercollegiate Newspaper Association, of which the COLLEGIAN is a member, Charles C. Dawes, was elected by an overwhelming majority. At Princeton, Yale, Harvard, Penn and Penn State, the Republican color-bearers had a walkaway while Dartmouth's vote revealed a closer race. Davis and LaFollette were never in the running at Brown, Williams, Wesleyan and Massachusetts Tech, other institutions whose publications are members of the E. I. N. A.

Thoughts of Others

RARE SOULS INDEED (V. of Toronto Varsity)

There is still among us a sprinkling of rare souls who arrive at meetings on the hour. If they expect others to be there it is because their optimism is greater than their observation. More probably they are strong-minded individuals who are protecting their habits at the expense of their time.

There was a time in the history of our race when people arrived slowly and leisurely in plenty of time when it was considered offensive to one's companions to inconvenience them by coming late without a very good excuse. But they, of course, would not have attempted to do in a day half of what we do. And we are convinced that we must arrive a little late if for nothing else than that we may not waste our time waiting for others. And there we are in a vicious circle: keeping ourselves late for our next engagement by postponing the time when this one may begin.

We are all sufficiently aware of the madness of this scheme of existence. We have all deplored it when we have been unfortunate enough to arrive first. But we resign ourselves to it as inevitable. We comfort ourselves by the fact that we are getting much more out of it than they did in those days of polite and picturesque leisure; and that we must sacrifice something for it. But what about those prompt and unincumbered souls? We would dismiss them as paragons existing for the sake of annoying the rest of us. But does it not mean that the reason we are habitually tardy is because we haven't our life well organized. It would seem practical to give some thought to it.

ENGINEERS MAKE TOUR OF SHOPS AT ALTOONA

One Hundred and Twenty Students Inspect Laboratories and Repair Plants

A delegation of one hundred and twenty students and faculty members from the Penn State School of Engineering were the guests of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers at the annual meeting of the Pennsylvania Section last Friday at Altoona. Both morning and afternoon were spent in an inspection tour of the Pennsylvania Railroad machine, repair, and erecting shops, and real interest was shown in the locomotive testing laboratory.

Dinner was served at the Logan House with a representative assembly of two hundred and fifty students, faculty members, and mechanical and civil engineers from Altoona, Lewisburg, and Philadelphia. A delegation of thirty-five students and members represented Bucknell at the meeting. The program consisted of the delivery of three addresses by representative engineers and technical students. The first of the main talks was delivered by H. A. S. Howard, Chief Engineer and General Manager of the Kingsbury Machine Company, Philadelphia, who spoke on "Friction and Lubrication." L. H. Fry, Metallurgist of the Standard Steel Works, Durham, read a paper on "Locomotive Testing in Connection with Locomotive Development." T. B. Farrington, Assistant Works Manager of the Pennsylvania Shops at Altoona, brought the meeting to a close with an address on historical development of the locomotive.

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NITTANY BAND TO MAKE FINAL FOOTBALL TRIPS

Organization Signifies Intent to Give Whole-hearted Support at Athletic Contests

A motion was made and unanimously passed at a business meeting of the Penn State Band last Thursday evening that the group would have inviolent confidence in the college authorities and give them their whole-hearted support regarding any athletic engagements.

Members of the Band wish to disprove the rumors prevalent about the campus that they are dissatisfied and discouraged because they are unable to accompany the varsity football squad on more than two trips. Contrary to the expectations of many, the Band did not go to Annapolis this year. However, arrangements are being completed for it to go to Philadelphia for the Penn game, and to accompany the Nittany Lion to Pitt when the Panther is met on Thanksgiving Day.

An November twenty-sixth, Director Thompson's charges will broadcast a complete musical program from KDKA at Pittsburgh. This will be the night before the battle with Pitt, and is hoped to serve the purpose of instilling Pittsburgh alumni with more Penn State spirit.

The program will probably begin with the selection "The Penn State Color's March," a new composition written by Bandmaster Thompson. This number will be followed by a few other of the Penn State leader's marches. There will also be a flute solo, a clarinet solo by A. Hill '25, a violin solo by C. Melville '27, and a viola solo by A. R. Plink '26, who is also a member of the Band. The entire organization will accompany the first three of these solo numbers.

A. W. COWELL ADDRESSES ERIE IMPROVEMENT CLUB

Professor A. W. Cowell of the Landscape Architecture Department at Penn State spoke to the Erie Club of Erie last Monday, about their part in the development of Presque Isle as a State Recreational Water Park. He said that all the people in this inland region needed this remarkable beach as a terminal for the new "Lakes to Sea" highway. Presque Isle is noted in history as the rendezvous of Commodore Perry.

The department of Landscape Architecture is working with the State Highway Department on the practical beautification of public roadides, both through the preservation of natural advantages and by the planting of trees and shrubbery. Professors Cowell and Dahl have prepared a plan for a sample mile on the Lincoln Highway.

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PENN STATE FORUM TO HEAR DEAN STODDART

As the main speaker of the evening, the members of the Penn State Forum will have Dean C. W. Stoddart of the Liberal Arts School to address them at their regular weekly meeting at the Alpha Phi Sigma Praterity tomorrow night at seven-thirty o'clock. "The Importance of Liberal Arts in the College Curriculum" will be the subject of this discussion. Several talented and well-known speakers have been secured by the committee in charge of the meetings for the anchoring of the organization during the fall and winter. Last Wednesday D. M. L. Watts of the School of Agriculture featured the talks of the evening. The subjects of his address was "Is There Too Much Specialization Among College Students?" In the course of his talk, Dean Watts said that on the average only fifty per cent of the students follow their chosen profession, and that a man must have an avocation as well as a vocation if he wished to be a success.

PENN STATE ORCHESTRA ARRANGES WINTER TRIPS

The Penn State Orchestra is holding regular practices and many of the old members have returned to strengthen the organization. Many new men have shown their interest by coming out for rehearsals, and their efforts can be seen in their improved playing.

Following their usual custom, the orchestra will present a number of musical programs at the Rockeyview prison during the coming winter. There is also the possibility that the members will take a trip to Williamsport, where they will render a program in the high school. No decision has yet been reached concerning this trip.

This year a new plan in the selection of music is being followed which will help hold the interest of the players. Instead of the heavy, classical numbers that have been customary in the past, lighter musical selections are being rehearsed for this winter.



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NEW GAME IS INTRODUCED AT UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI

Speedball, a new game formed of a combination of football and soccer, has been established as a regular inter-collegiate sport at Missouri. The game is played on a regulation football field and the main difference between the new game and football is in the scoring.

A field goal is a ground ball kicked between the goal posts and below the cross bar, counting three points. A touchdown may be scored by the completion of a forward pass from the field of play into the end zone and counts two points. A drop kick scores one point.

DEGREE OF DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY GRANTED BY GRADUATE SCHOOL

For the first time in the history of Penn State, the Board of Trustees has authorized the degree of Doctor of Philosophy to be granted from the Nittany Institution, and according to Dr. E. L. Kern, Dean of the Graduate School, there are eight candidates now taking advanced work towards this degree.

Dr. Kern has compiled statistics which show a total of one hundred and eleven students registered for graduate courses this year as compared with ninety-two for the year before. Of this number, sixty are now registered and twenty are women students. A division of the school shows that fifty-eight of the one hundred and eleven are members of the instructional staff of the College; twenty-four are graduate assistants and the remaining twenty-nine are graduate students, not otherwise connected with the institution. The greater majority are working towards the master's degree.

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