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BELOW GRADES

With the termination of the first eight weeks of the collegiate year appears the usual flood of yellow slips of paper which signify student failures in various courses. The antipathy of the first issue of the notice of failures this year lies in the fact that there has been a four percent increase above the total number of belows sent out last year While many of these failures have been issued to the freshmen, it is not to be supposed that the upperclassmen have been rated as being one hundred percent scholastically eligible

Without doubt a certain percentage of these below grades will be raised to the passing standard before the close of the semester and for those who have incurred only one failure there is ample opportunity to remove, or at least better the condition before the Christmas vacation period begins

What is most striking about below grades is the seeming lack of seriousness with which some students view the matter. A student with more than one below grade finds himself in a serious predicament if he is still encumbered with the condition when he returns to college in January Little time is left for a review and the student must necessarily sacrifice some other subject in an attempt to raise his grade in the delinquent course. January is too late a date to start a "study campaign" to acquire a passing grade

There still remains two weeks for hard work and serious thinking before the vacation period During that time many of these conditions can be eliminated and so allow the undergraduate to go home with a tarnished but clean slate In the words of a well-known publishing company try this over on your text books "Now is the time for all good students to come to the aid of the below grades"

SEASONAL SPIRIT

Football, the greatest of all collegiate sports, is over and once again the college student assumes a more passive attitude and perhaps an air of indifference as he settles down into the more serene atmosphere of books and monthly quizzes

In some respects Penn State has learned a great lesson during the recent grid season. Nothing will be said of comparative scores, for in the main they count but little Attention is called, however, to the fact that the Nittany football team was well supported during the entire season It was only such support as was evidenced when the team was in its most dire straits that maintained the enthusiasm until the final whistle of the last game But now that the lure of the goal posts has flickered and died it is well to revive that support and to put it into practice for the remainder of the year But instead of directing the effort toward football let it be turned into a more serious channel so that it will aid in the development of this great college

Penn State, as an institution for higher learning, will continue as such regardless of football or any other sport. While it is true that participation in an intercollegiate sport lends dignity and prominence to an institution, it is also a fact that if such participation and team-support is to be the backbone of the institution there will be little material development for the college during periods other than those when the contests are in progress

Penn State spirit, as has been said before, is not a mere indulgence in the College Yell or a willingness to enter a class scrap. It is something that comes from within the undergraduate, and it is that which prompts men and women to strive untiringly for their Alma Mater Penn State spirit is not confined to one period of the year, it does not die when the football season is over, is is not something, which, like an old fire, lies dormant for days, only to be fanned into life by a sudden gust of wind—the first football game.

To achieve and retain Penn State spirit the individual must apply that verse of scripture which reads: "Seek and ye shall find" Penn State students have not yet unearthed the true Penn State spirit. It lies deep; let's dig it out

THE WOMAN OF TODAY

Bobbed, closely-cropped hair and linen collars, a masculine stride and quite a general departation from the feminine—such are the outward characteristics of the woman of today In the morning she shops, in the afternoon it is the club or reception, and she dances or theatres in the evening. All women? Certainly not, but many of them and their numbers are constantly increasing.

The woman of today is busy—just as busy as she can be in twenty-four hours She has a necessity for masculine attire, for she must work and play decidedly harder than did her grandmother.

Take the college woman for example. forty hours of college work a week, preparation and classes, is a fair average for the majority. If she is not healthy, courageous and tolerant it would be impossible for her to live in this day of strenuous effort She needs must be a person who can walk miles from class-room to class-room during the week, devote some time to conscientious study and still find time for play. Then there is the self-supporting girl who by necessity is forced to find time for work she has the harder job

"Higher standards of energy and ideals of health have been adopted by women today as a matter of necessity They have turned to the things for which they are criticised because they must belong in 'the fittest' or be lost. They are interested in 'outside' life because bungalow and apartment house-keeping cannot fill the day of an active woman And they must be healthy, in accordance with the nervous tension of today's civilization Today health is the sincere standard of women—especially college women The criticism that they are 'masculine' is absurd To be healthy is not necessarily to be masculine. And it is necessary"

Gridiron Gossip

And once again Penn State student are saying 'Wait until next year'

On top of one of Pitt's highest buildings there was a huge pile of bunting visible from Forbes Field which read "Beat Her"

After Prevost had kicked his field goal in the third quarter Penn State stands resembled the Republican headquarters after the presidential returns came in

But when Pitt scored a touchdown the Nittany section looked like the Democratic "Bangon"

Harding's pass to Gwozden for Pitt's third touchdown was a pretty piece of work

After the game that twenty Pitt students circled around Mush Johnson and carried him from the field on their shoulders

Penn State students were very much in evidence at the Carnegie Tech-Notre Dame game Saturday afternoon

And by the way although it seem that Rudy Valentino started The Four Horsemen on their way it took Notre Dame to really put the thing over

Charley Lash was knocked out in the third quarter but after a short time he was able to resume his position

Pittsburgh was witnessing a fast heavy snowfall about twenty minutes before game time

Between the halves Pitt students released several pigeons which carried Blue and Gold colors over the field

If this year's football scores are juggled around enough it would be found that the Indiana Normal holds the football championship of the East

Upsets have been so numerous as this year Dickinson's victory over Bucknell just about capped the climax

All that is necessary now to set everything right would be a Lebanon Valley victory over Notre Dame

Mention Gilbert's name down at Annapolis now and you need police protection

Garbisch beat Navy single-handed by kicking four field goals outshining the performance of Mac McBride of Syracuse who defeated Columbia last Thursday when he booted three from the field

Save the cane until next year "Prexy"—maybe the new addition will break the jinx

PROMINENT STATE GEOLOGIST ADDRESSES MINING STUDENTS

Dr G H Ashley Pennsylvania State Geologist addressed the Mining and Metallurgical Society Smoker last night on the subject of Geology as a Profession He will also speak to the students of the School of Mines this morning at nine-twenty in Room 209 Old Mining Building on "The Value of Coal Lands" Because of Dr Ashley's position as one of the leading geologists of the country it is advisable that all students taking mining should hear his lecture

SIX RUTGERS FOOTBALL STARS BARRED AFTER FLUNKING QUIZ

Six players were ruled off the varsity football squad at Rutgers this week because they had failed to pass the intelligence test given to all freshmen students at that institution

The winning stride

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STOCK JUDGING TEAM COMPETES AT CHICAGO

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The Penn State stock judging team left last night on an intercollegiate contest at the Stock Exhibit at Chicago Last Saturday this event was the only business transacted

The team in preparation for the meet left here today by way of Williamsport and Oil City on the nineteenth of November, being the prominent cities of these sections The contest is a collegiate contest from the Sole Cities the I H Lewis W P Gerrard H T Graham C E Kennebeck P O Lutz F L Stamp and I B Aeckerly and are accompanied by their coach Professor I H Bailey

W H Foulger professor of the Animal Husbandry Department took part in the Pennsylvania representative in judging hogs entered in the judging contest Lower the result is not known However completed Professor M F Gomes and P T Zegers along with instructor W I Henning and P C MacKenzie from the time department Following this exhibition he returned to put to the judging of the Animal Section of Animal Production

The stock of the Nittany Institution will be exhibited during this week The exhibit consists mainly of several cows thirty-two sheep and about seven pigs A car load of Belgian horses were provided by the Pennsylvania Association of the State

DR. FRASER METZGER STRESSES FREE-GIVING IN CHAPEL ADDRESSES

I only have to remind each of you [illegible] Dr Fraser Metzger College Chaplain in his sermon to the student body last Sunday morning of the time of the year just before Thanksgiving and Christmas, when we [illegible] one another gifts

God gave his only begotten son to humanity Dr Metzger reminded us, as giving is one of a man to us The he said, is their greatest gift to man We have many great and small things to be thankful for, but [illegible] and our most gifts are those the greatest"

The College Chapel believes that we should give thanks and virtues in proportion to the amount of things that we receive Now that the Yuletide season is approaching the spirit of friendliness and happiness should be linked with Christmas and the spirit of Christian giving

[illegible] to judge a man by during [illegible] college said Dr Metzger "It would not be so much upon what he knows but upon the character and moral strength of the man Let every man and woman strive to possess the [illegible] and [illegible] the hunt of [illegible]

Thoughts of Others

LACK OF RESTRAINT
(Oklahoma Daily)

The Arabs famous as philosophers have a proverb which advises "Never satisfy the appetite"

This wise principle of conduct applies particularly to the modern college student who finds many of the luxuries of life so easily accessible to him that he can hardly refrain from taking all within his reach and soon becoming surfeited with nearly all that life offers

The university of today is a vastly complicated and extensive institution It brings the information and ideas from all over the world to the student, who soon finds that there is so much information at hand and so much that he cannot miss acquiring that he has little desire for the joys of searching for knowledge

The university offers a society life—it even dictates formal functions of nearly all kinds—so that the girl who makes society the center of her existence is faded with life and is physically aged by the time she leaves school

The football or basketball player—the athlete in any sport—partakes heavily of strenuous exercise for four years, then after graduation takes a desk job or some inside work, and finds that the sudden change is so great that he can hardly adapt himself to it

In many lines the university offers the best tailings in life but they should not be indulged in without restraint "never satisfy the appetite"

MINING FACULTY MEMBERS TO ATTEND PITTSBURGH MEETING

Dean E A Holbrook and Professor W R Chedsey, of the School of Mines will be the Penn State representatives to the annual meeting of the Coal Mining Institute of America which will be held in Pittsburgh December third to fifth Dean Holbrook is vice-president of that organization will have charge of the Thursday morning program Several seniors of the School of Mines will also attend the convention

FORESTRY DEPARTMENT SENDS NEWS LETTER OUT TO ALUMNI

The first forestry news letter has just been sent out to the alumni of that school It is issued several times a year and contains the interesting news of the department and of the College in general, giving a brief summary of the work of the graduates and their locations In this way it keeps them in touch with the department of Forestry and with each other incidentally creating a greater alumni spirit

MANY HIGH SCHOOLS ENROLL IN CORRESPONDENCE COURSE

An increasing number of high schools especially those of a vocational nature are making extensive use of the correspondence courses offered by the College in Agriculture and Home Economics They are sometimes used in lieu of text books and at other times as supplementary work The practical nature of the studies taken up makes them particularly adaptable to high school studies

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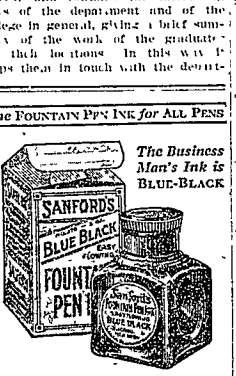

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