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TOO MUCH GENEROSITY

To the casual observer who attends a Penn State class meeting at which the various sport managers are chosen, it would appear that Nittany undergraduates are affected with a peculiar malady commonly known as over-generosity.

For many years, the system of electing class managers and the subsequent awarding of numerals to those successful candidates has heaped an overabundance of criticism upon those who are responsible for the present method.

A certain amount of personality and the reputation of being a good fellow seem at present to be the only requisites of a class manager. It is a truism that some men have been elected to fill these positions and the full extent of their duties was a walk to the office of the Athletic Association where they were graciously presented with class numerals.

Those who are in the know realize that class managerships are a farce as far as work and responsibilities are concerned. A certain number of votes and one or two appearances at the scene of a particular encounter and "the award is yours for the asking."

Many solutions to the problem have been offered but it appears that the most logical suggestion follows along the line of awarding class managerships to those who are unsuccessful in their quest for a varsity position.

The appointment to these positions could be at the discretion of the varsity and assistant managers, subject to approval by athletic officials of the College.

Fair play and over-generosity fail to go hand in hand. For the mutual benefit of class numeral prestige and square dealing with those who have labored and lost, it is imperative that some action be taken on this matter at once.

SENIOR TRADITIONS

Whether or not the environment and ideal location of the Nittany Valley tends to stifle true college traditions at Penn State, it is a well-known fact that there is a lack of the feeling which might naturally be expected from seniors at this time of the year for the institution that has harbored them for four years.

There are many ways in which the seniors could show their appreciation to Penn State and at the same time institute customs that will grow into lasting traditions.

Another tradition that the seniors could institute would be the planting of ivy around Watts and Varsity Halls.

It will be interesting to note the effect that these suggestions will have on members of the student body, but we cannot help feel impressed at the thoughts of a group of seniors, gathered on the steps of Old Main, singing College songs in a lasting farewell to Penn State and Alma Mater.

WELCOME

Over this week-end Penn State will be host to more than three hundred guests, the participants in the annual interscholastic track meet.

Penn State is universally known and admired for its hearty hospitality, and that same hospitality is cordially offered the visiting trackmen.

"Prexy" Explains To Alumni 1925 Commencement

Penn State's new Commencement Week plans are outlined in a letter sent to all alumni of the college this week by President John M. Thomas.

In his letter telling of Commencement, President Thomas says: "I desire to call your attention to a change of policy with regard to Commencement, since to a considerable extent this change has been planned to increase the interest of alumni in Commencement, in various ways."

The new policy of Commencement Week is well defined in the following statement taken from the College Souvenir which is being distributed to the alumni purposes of Commencement week to give recognition to the achievements and interests of the graduating class and to welcome returning alumni.

The governing principle in applying this policy is that the Commencement should be a welcome party and that the impression given during the week should be an impression of the real purpose and noble accomplishments of the College.

The college Senate desires that Commencement may afford more and more to the alumni, particularly the day alumni, a time and pleasant opportunity for visiting us with their families and friends.

Departmental Reunions. These are two other common interests which we expect to foster in the visit of alumni at this time.

The other interest I speak of is the alumni interest in the college fraternities. We have invited them for the alumni as well as for the undergraduate, and I feel for the future welfare and worth of the undergraduate chapters of the alumni remain cold and indifferent to the good of the fraternity idea.

Non-fraternity Men. "At the same time I want to say to alumni who are not affiliated with the fraternities that they, too, should find new reasons under the proposed plan for visiting the College."

For The Senior. "I wish I am interested in the new type of Commencement is an opportunity to impress the graduating senior with the significance of his attainment and the obligation which he has incurred to himself to his college and to society."

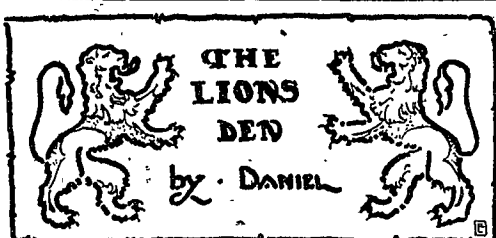
"I think we may not expect this year's effort to be a complete realization of our hopes. Later years should see the plan developed and amplified in ways that are not possible this year."

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I've got a nu thepther and it runs so fast, I can hardly keep up with it. This way I had to leave out a letter once in a while. I just thought I'd tell you you'd no my pen my car is still coming along. When I get this creature time I'll be vum in a few years. This is supposed to be a self-spilling thepther and it works sure, jerky shall I use it in 1 or 2 or 3 or 4 or 5? Ad. Stuep

I notice by the columns in the paper you represent that almost everybody seems dissatisfied with the way things are being done and that reform is the order of the day. I've been thinking of a little idea on reform myself. In fact I suggested it to the Buzzes but somehow or other I guess he overlooked it. Now it seems to me that a town as large as State College, with so many coffee-jack added students and so many old buildings, should have a larger percentage of it, a honest-to-gosh fire during the college year. This year I will admit there has been an improvement but even at that there were very few inspiring scenes at either of the post-office fires and when the townspeople that this was something they could no, change the boys for, they got sore and burned out the corner when we weren't around. It can easily be seen that these frequent false alarms or minor conflagrations are ruining the morale of the boys. When the whistle blows, instead of rushing out and giving the companies their best support, they merely feel the able to see if they are hot and if not return to their pursuit of Hot-Dog. Such a situation is to be lamented, you will agree, and constructive measures to improve it considered. I suggest that a committee be appointed to work on this idea. Perhaps not allowing a fire to be reported until the flames are through the roof or by moving the fire trucks to Lemont better results could be obtained. The details however could be decided by the committee. Yours for BIGGER and BETTER FIRES IN STATE COLLEGE, S. Tude

OFFICERS FOR COMING YEAR. The club held its first Thursday night at the Phi Kappa Tau house. Charles Schwab is secretary and Loretta, 1516 Von Husswoltz '26 was elected Pennsylvania will be visited by the president Emil Kant '26 vice-president, members of the club on Thursday P. R. Stutzman '26 recording secretary, Max twenty-sixth and C. C. Roland '26 secretary for the coming year at a meeting of the Top- PATRONIZE OUR ADVERTISERS

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SECOND ROUND ENDED IN FACULTY COURT TOURNEY

Fifteen teams have survived the first round matches of the Inter-faculty tennis tournament. The Greek-letter organizations that advanced to the second round are: Theta Kappa Phi, Phi Delta Theta, Phi Epsilon Phi, Kappa Sigma, Phi Kappa Tau, Phi Sigma Rho, Kappa Delta Rho, Alpha Chi Sigma, Pi Kappa Alpha, Phi Gamma Delta, Omega Epsilon Chi, Phi Phi Kappa Sigma and Delta Upsilon. All second round matches must be completed by Sunday, May seventeenth. The winners will find their next round opponents listed on the tournament placard on Co-op.

Did YOU Know—

That the total number of Penn State graduates is now 7,200? And that six hundred of these are women? And also that five hundred have held State graduation? That there are twenty foreigners enrolled in the Penn State student body at present? And that ten of these come from Porto Rico? APARTMENT FOR RENT—5 rooms and bath, electric stove, modern conveniences. Second floor of Penn State Auto Co., E. College Ave., Call Bell 282, 3-20-14

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