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TO WHAT END

With the beginning of Penn State's discussion of compulsory daily chapel, many and varied questions arise. Since the announcement in Tuesday's COLLEGIAN of the proposed referendum, the nature of the inquiries which have besieged this office makes it appear that undergraduates have not awakened to the true status of the present crusade, if it be such.

One man asked, "Is it true that we are not going to have any more daily chapel?" His ignorance can be likened only to his utter lack of knowledge of the situation. For some time a certain student faction has protested against compulsory daily chapel, has held it up to ridicule because of what has been called its utter uselessness. Another element has praised compulsory daily chapel and has stated that to do away with it would be to deprive Penn State of one of its most sacred traditions. Which leads us to weigh tradition with compulsion, especially if compulsion is at the sacrifice of religion.

True, the question of compulsory daily chapel has been called to the attention of the Board of Trustees time and again. But it is doubtful if any facts and statistics were presented to the body. It is the desire of the COLLEGIAN to take this matter up once and for all, to obtain a true idea of student sentiment, to drop the discussion if undergraduate opinion so desires, to carry it farther if it is the will of Penn State.

If opponents of compulsory daily chapel are sincere in their convictions, let them express their sentiments in the columns of this paper. Those in favor of the present system are offered the same opportunity. Let those opposed to chapel as it now stands offer solutions for its betterment. The COLLEGIAN, as was stated in a recent editorial, desires to conduct the issue with sincere impartiality. For, after all, this paper is the organ of the undergraduates—the one medium through which they may express their opinions and ideas.

FOOTBALL ET AL

"So I took the fifty thousand and did away with football." Or at least, that is what Antioch College did several years ago. Although there was no fifty thousand connected with it, said President Morgan of that institution. "Athletics, according to our standards are as important an item in education as any other part of a student's work, and for that reason we did away with football. It was tending to monopolize not only the time of the men engaged in it, but the attention of everyone to the detriment of other games."

Perhaps President Morgan does not realize that without football, it would be impossible to have "other games." In practically every institution of higher learning in this country, the profits received from football are used to cover the deficits that almost every other sport incurs. The gridiron hero does occupy a lofty pedestal—he deserves it.

An—pardon the allusion to a well-known advertisement—"its popularity must be deserved." Surely a game that will draw seventy thousand spectators, despite the cold and rain, as did the Illinois-Chicago game last week, must be worth preserving. If football will draw thousands of Old Grad's back when all else fails, it is worth the price for this reason alone.

Years ago, little Centre College down in Kentucky realized that its student body was depleted. Additional undergraduates were needed if the institution was to continue on its high plane. Then a Centric football team came North and defeated Harvard. The following year, Centre was forced to turn away hundreds of applicants. Now Centric football teams have practically been forgotten. But those eleven men that defeated Harvard did more for their college than any other thing that could possibly have happened.

You can argue night and day about the "evils" of football. Perhaps it is an evil, but a necessary one.

PENN STATE-WEST VIRGINIA

To Penn State's football warriors falls the honor of dedicating West Virginia's new stadium. It is doubtful if ever before in the Nittany institution has such an honor been bestowed upon the Lion. Pennsylvania officials will attend the dedication ceremonies to mingle with those higher up in the government of West Virginia. It will be the beginning of a new era of friendship between these two parts of the Union, a renewing of friendly hostilities between the institutions representing Pennsylvania and West Virginia.

The COLLEGIAN, in behalf of Penn State, congratulates West Virginia on its new stadium. May it be an everlasting memorial to the immortal heroes of the mountain state. May it help along the ever-growing prestige of West Virginia in the field of intercollegiate athletics. And may it be the scene of a glorious battle on the gridiron tomorrow.

SOCIETY TO FORM LOCAL BRANCH AMONG STUDENTS

Dairy Husbandry Club at Penn State Will Reorganize With Association

Forming the first student branch of its kind in the country, the Dairy Husbandry Club of Penn State is to reorganize as the Pennsylvania State College chapter of the American Dairy Science Association, an organization known throughout the nation. Although there will be no official installation, any member of the present Dairy Husbandry Club may join the new student body by the proper payment of dues on January first.

Prof. A. A. Bolland, head of the dairy department, was formerly an officer in the national association and it is largely through his efforts that Penn State was honored by being declared the center of the first student branch in the country.

The new organization will carry on the same work that was a function of the former Dairy Husbandry Club. The customary dairy show will be given in the spring while the judging teams will still meet in intercollegiate contests. All activities will be supported by student sales of ice cream and other dairy products. Many prominent men are scheduled to speak at the monthly meetings of the student organizations. At the December meeting the president of the Interstate Milk Producers' Association will speak while tonight P. S. Bionnerman, secretary of the Dairy-men's Cooperative Sales company of the Pittsburgh district will address the members. The theme of his talk is "amusement in educational facilities among dairymen."

OUTLOOK GLOOMY FOR LION BOXERS

With only one varsity man as a nucleus for the 1925-26 teams, Coach Leo Houck must face the problem of forming a listic aggregation that is tried to meet some of the hardest squads in the East. Johnnie McClellan, present intercollegiate champion and captain-elect, is the only man certain of returning and will probably hold down the 125-pound berth. For the other positions, the coaching staff will have to depend on the members of last year's freshmen team and former squad members who have not as yet had any varsity experience.

Mahon, captain of the freshmen football team, will be on deck as a contender for the 115-pound position vacated when Captain McClellan stepped into a weight class. The 115 and 115-pound berths will also be fought for by sophomores while several football men will probably apply for places in the 160-pound and heavyweight classes. Although the team lost heavily by graduation, Coach Houck has great faith in the material he has on hand and hopes to turn out a smoothly-working aggregation that should meet with a successful season.

The schedule arranged for the ensuing season contains meets with teams that are sure to set a swift pace for the Nittany squad. Notre Dame, Catholic University and Syracuse will be met, while Army, Navy, West Virginia and Pennsylvania, all well-known on the Penn State program, have again been slated. Penn State will also be a recognized contender in the intercollegiate meet which is to be held this year in the Navy gymnasium.

Storage Cellars Aid in Cornering Market

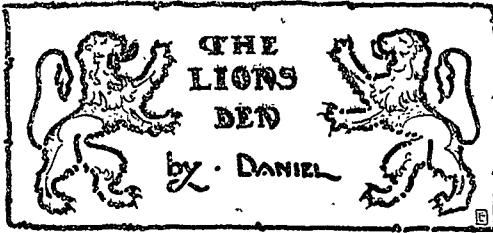
That the agricultural branch of the College is somewhat of a Wall Street "bear" was demonstrated by a clever business move on the part of officials a few months ago. This was accomplished with the aid of two storage cellars which were constructed under the direction of the Ag. School heads and with the cooperation of the Portland Cement company and other industrial concerns.

Notwithstanding this outside aid, a considerable debt was incurred in the construction work and there was little hope of paying off this liability in a very short space of time. When potatoes were dug this fall the market price per bushel was one dollar and that rate would go no great distance in filling up the coffers of the Ag. treasury. So the men on the Hill, having something up their sleeve, refused to sell and stored away the potatoes.

Recently when the price of a bushel of potatoes reached the \$2.75 mark the Hill financiers decided to "let 'em go." They did. Almost enough funds were raised by the profits to pay for the storage cellars.

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THE MAN WHO WINS

The man who wins is the average man, Not built on any particular plan, Not blessed with any particular luck, Just ready and earnest, and full of pluck. When asked a question, he does not guess; He answers the question, "No" or "Yes." When set to a task that the rest can't do, He buckles down till he's put it through. Three things he's learned: That he who tries Finds favor in his employer's eyes. That it pays to know more than one thing well, For the man who wins is the man who works, Who neither labor nor trouble shirks. Who uses his hand, his head, his eyes, The man who wins is the man who tries.

V. J. M. '26

HELP! HELP! HELP!

A hen is not supposed to have Much common sense or tact, Yet every time she lays an egg She cackles forth the fact. A rooster hasn't got a lot Accomplishments to show, But none the less most roosters do Have ability to crow. The mule, the most despised of beasts Has a peculiar way Of letting folks know he's around By his shivering bray. The busy little bees they buzz, Bulls hollow and cows moo, While watchdogs bark, the gardeners quack, And doves and pigeons coo. Peacocks spread their tails and squawk, Pigs squeal and robins sing, And even serpents know enough To hiss before they sting. Now all these lowly beasts and birds Make noises of some kind, But how'll we tell our readers are Without a little line Just one or two contributions, Prose, poetry or news, We'll print them in this little space. Whether squawks, squeals, brays or coos

V. J. M. '26

Editor's Note: In comment we could say that V. J. has chosen a very appropriate title. But in the last minute rush anything will go. We hope that others will take some inspiration from these lines, that some will send Daniel a morsel or two to stave off starvation. Daniel, too, is shouting, "HELP! HELP! HELP!"

FORTY NEW MEN TO BE ADDED TO MEMBERSHIP OF FOUR HUNDRED CLUB

The Four Hundred Club, an honorary organization with Prof. E. L. Nixon of the Plant Pathology Extension department as director and consisting of Pennsylvania farmers who have produced four hundred or more bushels of potatoes from a standard acre of farming ground at any time during the last three years, has increased to a total membership of 110. Of these about forty have been made eligible this year.

Jacob S. Weil of Bucks county has recorded the highest yield in the State thus far for this year, having raised 517 bushels on one acre. Although Pennsylvania's crop is just about the average this year, potatoes are bringing an exceedingly high price to date, due to the failure of the crop in some states.

As an authority on the growing of potatoes, Professor Nixon, who has, within the last year, addressed thirty-seven gatherings in different towns and cities of Pennsylvania on this subject, is scheduled to speak at two more such meetings in the near future. He will talk to the Boys' Potato Club and the Rotary club of Bloomsburg at a joint meeting on November twelfth. An invitation has also been extended him to speak at a

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VARSITY WRESTLERS START TRAINING SOON

With seven dual matches and the intercollegiate, which will be held here, on this season's wrestling schedule, the Lion matmen will start daily workouts shortly after the Thanksgiving vacation. Because of the loss through graduation of six of last year's varsity grapplers, prospects for another championship team look particularly dark at present.

Although Captain-elect Luggett, 135 pound titleholder, may return to the squad, it is doubtful whether he will be able to take part in the early-season matches. The team will practically be built around Rumbaugh, 175 pound grappler, who won all but one of his bouts for the Blue and White last year.

For the 115-pound class, Coach Leonard has two likely-looking candidates in asser, last year's instancing substitute, and Martin, a member of last year's freshmen team. Hoffman, another Sophomore, and Sands, who participated in several varsity scraps last year, stand out among the 125-pound matmen, while either Long or Fuller, both of whom were on the varsity squad last year, will probably wrestle in the 115-pound class. Prospective candidates for the heavyweight class are Schminke, Roosenberg, and Garrison.

WHY I BELIEVE IN FOOTBALL

By E. J. N. A. Service

I believe in football because it gives in every student the spirit of a fight and the will to win. It is all a mistake to say that the men on the benches get no benefit. They receive measurable benefit in the spirit that surges through them in the support

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