

SPORTS WRITERS WRONG—SULLIVAN

Decries Newspaper Criticisms of Alumni's Interest in College Athletics

SECRETARY COMMENTS ON "NEWS" EDITORIALS

That the alumni's concern about the athletics at Penn State is perfectly natural and consists of more than mere changes at a defeat or two in football, is the opinion of alumni secretary E. N. Sullivan.

Blaming the alumni for overemphasis of football is unfair, Mr. Sullivan continues. While nothing succeeds like success, he believes that most college alumni will not find fault when the team loses but puts up a good fight.

Mr. Sullivan strongly asserts in his article that it would not be much of an alumni body that was not interested in the affairs of its Alma Mater.

Newspaper exploitation of individual stars Mr. Sullivan thinks is worse than a healthy graduate interest. The Alumni secretary contends further that the difficulties of more than one prominent college eleven that went into a "slump" was really the result of pernicious news advertising.

The familiar cry of "hard schedule" is heard as the primary cause of the slump, comments the secretary. He says "As it happens this idea of hard schedule has been presented so often as the reason for a mid-season slump that players, coaches, spectators and newspaper writers all believe it. To our way of looking at it, this is pure 'bull' and is by way of alibi for both players and coaches."

"The effect of publicity on the mind of the young fellow who is in his most formative period receives apparently no attention whatever. We'll warrant better collegiate competition would result all around if most of the publicity were shut off."

R. I. GIL '26 PLACED ON INTERCLASS SPORT BODY

R. I. Gil '26 was appointed senior member of the Interclass Sports Council to act with J. N. Stewart '27 and P. F. Houseman '28, the Junior and Sophomore members of the council. Gil was appointed by D. D. Henry '26, president of the Senior class.

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white Stewart and Houseman were on the council last year. No freshman representative has been elected and will not be until the class is organized.

COLLEGE CLOSES ONE HOUR TO HEAR GILKEY

Special Convocation Affords Students Better Chance To Attend Lecture

To afford the students a better opportunity to hear Dr. C. W. Gilkey, visiting lecturer from Chicago, the Board of Administration has granted a convocation to be held in the Auditorium, Wednesday, February seventh, at 11:20 a. m.

Dr. Gilkey, who comes to Penn State under the supervision of the Y. M. C. A., will give four major lectures to the students, beginning with the lecture Wednesday morning, followed by other speeches on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday evenings at seven o'clock.

Acknowledged as one of the most popular speakers in America, Dr. Gilkey speaks with an authentic voice of the younger generation. His lectures, which he gave while acting as Bureau lecturer in India, will soon be available in book form at the Y. M. C. A. Men, granted this honor, are chosen on a basis of their ability to present "in a friendly, temperate and conciliatory way the truths of Christianity to the scholarly and thoughtful people of India."

COUNCILMEN VOTE TO RENEW PUSHBALL FEUD

(Continued from first page) moves. The class scraps committee will arrange for contests in the spring.

Freshmen were granted a reprieve from the ignominy of street-walking when D. P. Graff '26 reported that Superintendent of Grounds and Buildings R. I. Webber had not as yet given his consent to the suggested plan by which members of the verandah would perambulate on the drive at the main entrance to the college rather than risk their young lives and limbs on the slippery pavements.

Keys for La Vie Board. A suggestion that has been provided for members of the La Vie Board was brought before the body by G. L. Seaman '27. The council after much discussion mentioned the wearing of such keys, the cost to be included in the La Vie budget or taken from class funds as the finance committee sees fit. The motion was made retroactive to include members of the 1926 La Vie Board, and Seaman and S. K. Stevens '26 were appointed by President D. D. Henry '26 to take up the matter with Neil Florenz, chairman of the Inter-class Finance committee.

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The broaching of the question of junior blazers resulted in lengthy discussion, but no action was taken. The problem was left to the class committees, with the suggestion that they consult the Student Tribunal on the wearing of college insignia on the proposed class blazers.

Announcement was made that a leaflet containing the recent additions to the list of college and class customs had been printed and was ready for distribution at the next freshmen class meeting.

YEARLING FIVE FOLLOWS VARSITY TO SMOKY CITY

(Continued from first page) game freshmen 33 to 28. Earlier in the season the Panther cubs defeated the Bradnock high school tossers.

When the team lines up against Pitt players in the new stadium game, Delp and Koch will be at the defense positions. Reilly at center and Hamas and Jacobson at forwards. Coach Killinger is taking Brownstein, center, Monahan, forward and Wilson, guard to substitute.

In the game with Bucknell this combination proved to be well balanced which was evidenced by the final score that put the yearlings in the lead. The shooting, which was the most noticeable defect of the team in that game, has improved to a great extent.

Pitt has gained a fast outfit for its yearling team this year. McCandless, Mervis, Skinner and Shevlin are all capable forwards with the former two showing a slight edge. At center Wonderlich proved to be the high scorer for his team in the West Virginia tilt. McLean and Mervin will hold the guard positions when the game opens.

Little is known concerning the Shady-side academy except that they have a strong team and will give the yearlings a hard tussle. The Shady-side combination annexed a victory over the Indiana Normal tossers, which speaks well for their prowess on the floor. The contest will be played Saturday morning at ten thirty o'clock.

In a practice game with the State College high school passers Wednesday evening the yearlings displayed speed on the floor and accuracy in shooting. The game was fast from the start, but the Nittany plebes prove their superiority by pulling up a lap-sided score.

Captain Delp and Hamas were the outstanding stars, although the other players showed considerable ability. The team work on the part of both teams was excellent.

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Penn State Grapplers Face Penn Tomorrow

(Continued from first page) will be close and the 115, 125, 145 and 158 pound classes will probably determine the final outcome of the match.

Penn State will be at a distinct disadvantage in that if a heavy-weight is used he will be totally without experience. The ineffectibility of Prevost has left the Nittany combination vulnerable in the unlimited class. At present there are two men practicing in this division, Munz and Heigholt, but both are novices at the sport.

Opener

In the opening match Sprague will represent Penn, while Karsa will uphold Penn State's side. Sprague on his match in the Brown meet by securing a time advantage in extra periods. Karsa has shown improved ability and should give Sprague plenty of opposition.

The Nittany entrant in the 125 pound class will probably be Ligggett, although Longenecker has been showing good form and may receive the call. MacDonald who will take to the mats for Penn is of the tall variety which will give him an advantage of reach over Ligggett. For this reason Longenecker, who is more heavily scored by a fall in the Alfred meet, may receive the call.

Lilienfeld will represent Penn in the thirty-five pound weight. Penn State is weak in this class and as yet the Blue and White men have not made a selection. Chenoweth who scored by a fall in the Alfred meet, may receive the call.

Long is Mainstay. Long wrestling for The Lions in the 17 pound weight will meet Halpern. Long is one of the mainstays of the team and should add to Penn State's score in the meet tomorrow. Halpern was thrown in the Brown meet after a hard battle by the Rhode Islanders.

In the fifty-eight pound division

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Wright will wrestle for Penn. No selection has been made for the Blue and White team for this event. The election rests between Packard, Wright and Schimsky. Wright there has opponent in the Brown match before five minutes were up.

Rumbough, Only Veteran. Rumbough, seventy-five pounder, is Penn State's only wrestling letterman from last year. Around him the team has been built and the coach is counting on him to win his match. Rumbough will be opposed by Heigholt of Penn.

Strome will represent Penn in the unlimited class. It is doubtful if the

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