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## OUR BIG JOB

Penn State has sent a football team into the West, a team that has bowled over three light, small-college elevens, but a team that is as green and as inexperienced as ever a football combination might be. Of course, there are quite a few seniors on the first eleven—and a few inexperienced juniors and a sophomore, perhaps, here and there on the string of reserves. But regardless of the practical experience these men have had on the field, they're going up against a Rockne-coached team, and they're playing against a bunch of Fighting Irishmen who haven't been licked in their own back yard for twenty-one years! Think of it—Notre Dame has not been defeated on the home gridiron since Wabash College trounced the Irish in 1905.

The Nittany Lions may or may not reach the top of their form tomorrow. If they do, then it is the duty of the student body of this old College to keep the gridmen at the peak of fighting fury until dinner is served following the fracas Thanksgiving Day.

And if the Blue and White suffers a reverse at the hands of the Green, it is the duty of all Penn State men to take the break with a smile—and keep the morale of the team and the student body from finding the bottom of the bottomless pit. And if the students do not find a way to keep every ounce of "fight" in the men who give themselves for Penn State—then we fail of our purpose—a deep and abiding loyalty to all things for which the College stands.

If the team wins, spirit will be high, both among players and students. And—if the team loses, spirit must not be let down, either among the men on the squad or the men in the stands. If the Blue and White rides the air tomorrow night, bonfires will blaze the trail to a victorious spirit when the team meets Syracuse. If the Penn State flag trails in the dust, the team will be just a little disheartened, thinking that it has failed the little old College back here in Pennsylvania. And everyone here will bend a bit—and straighten up—to help the team back up to the top—for Syracuse!

Win or lose, the Penn State student body has the rest of the football season in the hollow of its hand! And if this season is to be a success, there must be a one-hundred per cent turnout to welcome back the team that has so gloriously carried our colors! That's OUR job!

## GREAT NEWS—GOOD NEWS!

"And there the poor thing sits—over in the mountains without a covering—without a chair—sans everything except a name—the Andy Lytle Memorial Cabin!"

But no more! The Andy Lytle Memorial Cabin, so long mentioned by students but never given true student support, has at last gained a champion! And more than one!

Student Council, Intra-mural Council and Delta Sigma Pi, professional commerce fraternity, have pledged their support in any manner necessary, in order that Penn State may have the first of her chain of memorial cabins in the surrounding mountains. When more student organizations take the matter in serious consideration and extend their support, the Andy Lytle cabin will be finished and thrown open to all students. Speed the day when the entire student body lends its aid to such a worthy enterprise.

## "GET TO PENN"

After we get through with Notre Dame, Syracuse and George Washington, we take on Pennsylvania at Franklin Field. After being off the football schedule of the Red and Blue for one

season, we return to Philadelphia and our huge alumni body in the Eastern section of the state, we return to a new and improved Franklin Field, we stack up against a new Penn team—and there are many things which hinge upon the results of that game.

But our place in the sun is not to be held unless Penn State supports its team to the utmost. The men who will be at the returns here must be only those who are absolutely prevented from attendance at the Penn Bowl. And the cheering section at the game in Philadelphia must be as strong as the cheering section at the Alumni Day game here next Saturday.

Fifteen thousand seats—the entire lower tier of the North Stand of Franklin Field—have been reserved for Penn State. It is up to us to fill those seats! "Get to Penn!"

## The Bullosopher's Chair

### SESSION ONE

Mr. Smithers, now that the college season is fairly well opened, and manifestations of the fri-famed college spirit are now witnessed in the boogie of umpires and referees at the football games, instead of bestowing benign fellow-ship upon our new brothers in college with duckings, molasses troughs, and humiliating episodes on Co-op, we might reflect on the wisdom of such an introduction to college life.

Smithers—Are you referring to hazing?

Just that, sir! We introduce the freshman to the life which represents the culture, education, training; in short, the higher living of the nation, by having him grovel in the dirt of the street before a crowd of curiosity mongers and would-be ruffians. We cherish his ideal of the splendor of higher education by having him roll up his trousers, turn his coat inside out, and run a race with himself until he is exhausted. We hand down the glorious traditions of the college to him by having him parade to the swing of a piddle and perform all the ridiculous stunts that an asinine brain of a sophomoric (thanks to the Editor) can think of. We introduce college life, that formative period in which we desire to bring to these youths a passion for learning, a training in the essentials of life, and above all, a code of gentlemanly conduct, we introduce Penn State, by methods which the most stupid, ignorant and vulgar would resent!

Smithers—But he is a freshman!

Yes, he is a freshman—but the time has come when we must get over our cow-college (not the hill), the time has come for a change in attitude toward the freshman. I do not mean to place him on a pedestal, or hand over the keys of the college to him, but why not take cognizance of his former training? Why not let him know that we appreciate his manhood, and that we expect him to act as a man? He is no longer in a prep school (as our hazing seems to indicate); he is in an institution which demands that he conduct himself like a gentleman. And I repeat Mr. Smithers, we must set the example and act like gentlemen ourselves! And the words "gentleman" and "rough-neck" are not synonymous!

### SESSION TWO

I wish to make a statement which I think, Mr. Smithers, will remove the bad taste from the mouths of the readers of "Remarks by—" in the last issue of this paper. Unmercifully, sarcastically, incoherently, and unnecessarily, The Playgoer attacked "Her Husband's Wife" as presented by The Players last Saturday night. His criticisms were probably true, but decidedly misplaced and improperly emphasized.

Smithers—If his points were true, why say his review of the play was in the wrong?

A review of a critical nature, Mr. Smithers, is a happy combination of several elements—not a stress on one. The interpretation of the play, a judgment regarding its selection and presentation, a comparison with a standard, are some of the things which might be involved. But the important thing to remember is: the play must be considered as a whole, and from the point of view of its general effect on the audience. The Playgoer dismissed such consideration with a sentence, and dwelt entirely upon details. The opposite should have been the case. He should have dismissed the details, and considered of primary importance the play as a whole. Details are important, it is true, but not so important that they can command the whole attention of the critic while principles and standards are neglected. The Playgoer's review was clearly a case of misplaced emphasis!

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It strikes us as being odd enough for Notre Dame to have two authentic flesh-and-blood captains, but we admit being completely bowled over by the news that both are sorrel-tops.

The old saw about experience being the best teacher will meet an acid test tomorrow. Miller, Irish tackle, is the only Notre Dame player in the starting line-up who has not played one or more years under Rockne.

Irish Bus Harrington expects to convert his race instinct into rage evocation when he clashes with the Elm forwards.

Friend Leo Houck has been toting smelling salts at practice sessions all week, but we don't think they were what Dutch Herrmann referred to when he remarked, with a disgusted gesture towards the freshman field, "The stench is terrible over there!"

Those same smelling salts came up handy when we heard with our own auditory organs a clumsy and unhandsome lineman directing a third assistant manager to jog over to a car parked nearby and inquire if the pretty girl seated therein was looking for him.

By the way, are you aware that our George Greene is the leading individual scorer of the East to date, with eight touchdowns or forty-eight points to his credit?

And that our own Lions have registered thirty-three points more than Southern California to clinch high team scoring laurels to date with Dartmouth a close third?

The squad will make itself quite at home in the Culver Mess Hall this noon. (No slur intended)

Two of the fastest ends in the East are Captain Vic Hanson and Archoska of Syracuse, both of whom tumbled in even time for the hundred-yard dash during their track careers. They will match their speed against the Army backs tomorrow.

We had to suppress a smile when we glanced through the columns of our favorite sports sheet and spotted a flush head-line reading "George Washington Kicks Off." And the paper was dated October 9, 1926!

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Editor The Penn State COLLEGIAN, Dear Sir:

The stands were packed with enthusiastic students and fans. Their team was playing that day, and they had all turned out to cheer its way to victory. The cheerleaders, seeing the possibility of such a crowd thought of a clever stunt: they dressed a fellow up to look like the Nittany Lion and took him out before the grand stands. Was the stunt successful? Not nearly as successful as it might have been. What was the trouble?

There was something lacking. The fellows did not shout or cheer as eagerly or as with such enthusiasm as they should have. It was a natural result.

The Nittany Lion is the embodiment of the principles of this Alma Mater. In its form and every movement is seen the action of our school. Its majestic mien portrays the dignity of our College. Its aggressiveness the fighting spirit of our team. The courage that makes the Lion the king of beasts is the same spirit that pervades our campus. Had the lion acted as befitting a lion the shouting and tumult would not have been stilled even now. But how, in the name of lions, can you expect to cheer a lion which symbolizes a school, when that lion is dancing around on its hind legs and acting like a jackass?

Nothing seemed as ridiculous and inappropriate as the incident which was taking place at the time 7,000 people were singing with apparent fervor the strains of "Hail to the Lion, Loyal and True." And what was our loyal and true lion doing? Our majestic lion was doing the Charleston. The lion stunt is a wonderful idea should not be abandoned, but it should be used correctly to be effective. Had the lion made his appearance once or twice walking on all fours and acting as majestically as befitting a lion, as befitting the symbol of Penn State, the cheering would have been heard in Pittsburgh.

(Signed) James D. Cloker.

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Dr. J. Stumpf, one of the leading chemical engineers in Germany will lecture in Old Chapel today at four-thirty o'clock. Germany is responsible for two of the greatest inventions of steam engines, the Diesel internal combustion engine, invented by Dr. Diesel and the Una-Flow steam engine, invented by Dr. Stumpf.

Seats for the lecture have been assigned to all seniors and notices have been given all department heads. The assignments are also posted in Old Chapel. The lecture is of great interest to engineering students.

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