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THE ALMA MATER

Each college has a song in which great tribute is paid to the college in the name "Alma Mater." It is customary for the student bodies of all these colleges to stand with bared heads while the song is being played. It is customary, we say. Reverence is shown to the college when a student body remains still during the playing of one song on the tuneless roster. Respect for his college is shown by the student who refuses to move his gangling arms and legs about while he is singing "Alma Mater."

There is all too little respect shown for Penn State by the riotous fools who insist on donning their hats and coats while the band plays "Alma Mater." A week ago, Penn State was shamed by the conduct of the students who went through all sorts of contortions while the "Alma Mater" was being voiced. Let's stand perfectly motionless during the few minutes we should praise and respect our Alma Mater!

TRUTH AND CONSEQUENCES

There's a social encounter of wits named "Truth and Consequences," in which one has the choice of two ways in which to answer a question asked by the master of ceremonies; either that of telling the truth or of taking the consequences. We intend to tell a little truth because asking the question now would do no good, and then we'll ask a question and see if there will be anything proposed as a consequence.

There is a poetic something in campaigning for a new laboratory or a bronze tablet for a gate to anything. But when there is a campaign for funds to keep buildings in a state of repair, someone is sure to say "I left my pocketbook in my other suit."

Have you ever noticed the white (sneel) walls of the interior of the Auditorium? Have you ever noticed that on those walls, miniature canyon run merrily and irregularly their courses? Have you noticed that, when you are sitting enthralled by an entertainer, the building seems to be falling with a great crash; on turning in your seat, you realize that it is nothing more than a late caller gently closing one of the doors?

There is such an atmosphere about the Armory, too. The seats which tend to project one, face forward, upon the playing floor; the big door that opens and shuts every forty-five seconds.

Can't Student Council, in its next meeting, find some plan by which the walls and the doors and the bedaggled window-shades in the Auditorium may be renewed? A student campaign, entirely? Once each year, when we hear the public press statement that "work on the new recreational center, holding five thousand" will begin, we have always put that down as bunk personified. We know that sometime, somehow, someday, that work will begin, but not for awhile. Can we find a way in which to remedy the evil seating predicament in which we find the Armory?

Will we keep our buildings in repair and good condition, or will we sit back and hope and do nothing about the matter? You've heard the truth; what are the consequences?

W. L. Jr.; B. K.

WINTER SPORTS

Ask a senior how many winter sports there are at Penn State and he will answer: "One; fighting for a seat in the Armory!"

Remembering that all our winter sports at Penn State are indoor athletics, why not propagandize for a winter carnival and a good ski-jump? We have enough winter at Penn State; more than enough. We take no advantage of the snow other than creating dangerous slides all over the sidewalks of the town. A ski-jump on the golf course, patterned on the order of the famous jump constructed on the Dartmouth course, would be one of the liveliest things that could ever happen to this institution. Here we are: buried in center of Pennsylvania, where winter holds sway for all the months allotted by the calendar, and we have no outside winter sports; no ice-skating facilities; no skiing privileges because there's no good place in which to indulge in the great Northern sport.

With a little labor, a good ski-jump could be constructed at the approach to the second hole on the golf course and the fairway of the short, downhill third hole. What's your thought there?

The Bullosopher's Chair

SESSION ONE

SMITHERS.—You know, Bullosopher, I was fighting my way along in the face of that biting wind Saturday afternoon, when I met someone behind Varsity Hall. Who? D. Hetzel. The freezing wind made his cheeks pink as he peeked from between his coat-lapels. He was swinging along, at a great rate, aiding himself with a walking stick that looked like a broom handle. His huge strides soon brought him up to me.

He saluted me with his hand and spread a genial smile over his countenance—and he spoke just as though he had known me two years. "It's right brisk weather, isn't it, isn't it?" And then he had passed. I turned and stood watching him drive on toward the Ag building. What do you suppose he was doing, Bullosopher?

"It is likely, Smithers, that he was enjoying a vigorous walk. How soon after you saw this staid gentleman did you recognize our new president in him?"

SMITHERS.—I wasn't sure who it was when he came around the curve by the woodlot, but I soon recognized his face from seeing his pictures, and from seeing him in chapel. But, if you mean that I didn't have time to salute him, you're all wet. I've done that several times in Old Main.

"And that reminds me, Smithers, that many men have failed to observe our traditional courtesy toward the President, and have let their low jaw slip down instead of raising the right hand in recognition. Perhaps a year and a half has made us forget—but no, no."

SESSION TWO

SMITHERS.—I'm getting more dope for this column than you, Bullosopher. But you're so old that your whiskers probably would freeze in this weather, don't worry, I'll do the work for both of us. Here is a thought—an odd incident that happened two days ago.

I was walking along the alleyway in the rear of the Presidential residence. Two students were a few steps ahead, and one of them turned to the left as though to get to Engineering D more quickly by taking the short cut. "Hey!" chided his companion, dragging him by the arm. "Don't you know that that man's back yard?" They continued on the former path.

That is one thing that the men have let slip their minds. But there's one thing the students have not forgotten—something they're plain careless about. And that is the courtesy that should be shown in the case of the President's front yard. Student Council has complained many times about wearing paths into the campus, but the temptation of saving sixteen seconds overpowers the most masterful of student brains. They believe they are wise men from the East, I guess, for they have worn a scraggly star into the ground all around the Tau Beta Pi shrubbery. The old "Please" signs do not function nowadays.

I'd hate to be the student to be brought up before Student Council for marring the campus, Smithers. And I'd hate to see a board fence, enclose the campus, or still worse, to see a lot of emerald paths stretching endlessly into nowhere. Have the students no sense of beauty?"

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FELLOWSHIPS TO BE AWARDED STUDENTS

Five Thousand Dollars Given By General Electric For Research

APPLICATIONS MUST BE FILED BY MARCH FIRST

Conditions under which the Charles A. Coffin Foundation fellowships will be awarded for the academic year of nineteen twenty-seven and twenty-eight have been recently disclosed. The foundation, established by the General Electric Company, provides for the annual award of five thousand dollars for fellowships to graduates of universities, colleges, and technical schools of the United States.

Students eligible are those who have shown by the character of their work that they could, with advantage, undertake or continue research work in educational institutions, either here or abroad. Electricity, physics or physical chemistry are the fields in which the fellowships are available.

Awarded to Needs. It is desirable to make awards to those men who could not undertake research work without financial aid. The fellowships will carry a minimum allowance of five hundred dollars, and may be increased to meet special needs of applicants whom the committee decides to award them.

All applications for awards should be filed on special blanks provided for this purpose and should be first submitted to the dean of the applicant's school. The dean will in turn file all applications received by him, at the same time naming the two men who in his opinion are best qualified for the award.

Match first is the limiting date set by the committee for filing applications. These should be addressed to W. W. Trench, Secretary, Charles A. Coffin Foundation, Schenectady, New York.

INDUSTRIAL CHEMISTS HEAR COFFMAN LECTURE

Principles of Colloid Science Explained by Chemist in Five Addresses

Prominent industrial chemists from neighboring states as well as members of the faculty and students, attended the series of five lectures on colloid dynamics, delivered last week in the Physics building by Victor Coffman of the research staff of Armour and Company, Chicago.

Mr. Coffman explained the principles of the science of colloids, demonstrating by experiment and lantern slides many of the phenomena involved. After discussing the theories of colloids, he cited many instances of their practical application. Colloidal substances exert enormous power in swelling and shrinking because of their reaction to moisture, he asserted.

Stating that this power is sufficient to cause the rise of sap to the tops of the tallest trees, Mr. Coffman told how the ancient Egyptians made use of the force developed when water is poured on dry wood to cut huge stones into cracks of which they had driven wooden wedges. According to Mr.

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Floor Flips

Junata had a no-game hoodoo on its trail last week. Penn State at State College Wednesday and Temple at Huntingdon Friday was the original schedule. With forty-eight hours of each embryo encounter the schedule was corrected to engagements in February. Atta Boy, June.

The Yale basketball team's consecutive losing streak in the Eastern Intercollegiate League reached the twenty-four mark Saturday when a field goal in the last thirty seconds of play by Foot, Princeton center, sent them down 30-28. Judge Landis should investigate.

Packard, veteran of many a mat brawl, experienced a little difficulty in pinning the meaty shoulders of Eisenman to the mat in the interclass struggle. After fruitless attempts to strangle the sophomore with an arm and body hold, the bulky middleweight landed a yell to "Try a Leg" and won five points for his class.

Our candidate for The Hall of Fame The fellow that stopped one of the boys coming down from the President's informal welcome Wednesday and inquired anxiously, "What was the score?"

Who said there was too much emphasis on College athletics? It was discovered that second semester registration and a basketball game did not mix. Result—triumph for registration.

Certain it is that the Long family is not short of wrestling prowess. The old Hank are old hands at the game; and now another brother is listed with the successful freshmen aspirants.

There have been rumors that Eng Mahoney would try out for the wrestling team this year. The Great Ror comprised by appearing in football jersey, basketball warm-up pants and two new boxing gloves.

"The bulky McDonald" made a splendid couch for the "Bull of the Campus" in the preliminaries. It rger went down with Mac in ten seconds and came up without him fifty-five seconds later. Mac was practicing bulking on the mats.

Here It Is-- Don't Miss It Out Today Revelers Mary Lou--I Know That You Know Penn State Collegians Chang Smith's Dan Gregory's---nightafter Military Ball Music Room

ENTRY LIST GROWING IN JOURNALISTIC CONTEST

Silver Loving Cup and Citation Will Be Prizes Offered Best Publication

Requests for entry into the first high school publication contest being conducted by the chapter of Pi Delta Epsilon, national honorary journalistic fraternity, are coming from secondary schools in all parts of Pennsylvania, according to H. G. Womsley '27, in charge of the competition.

Prof. M. M. Harris, of the department of English, who is the fraternity advisor, states that the entry list is growing each day. More than one hundred high school publishing boards are expected to enter their magazines and papers prior to January thirty-first, the date set for the closing of entries. Many of those already entered are taking advantage of the Penn State student publishers' offer to give constructive criticism of their efforts.

The object of the contest is to stimulate interest in journalism among high school students of Pennsylvania and to award a silver cup to the staff of that paper judged to be the best in the contest. The editor of the winning publication will receive an engraved citation. It is planned to make these awards at the commencement exercises of the winning high school.

Penn State Quintet Downs Susquehanna

(Continued from first page) one of his two tries from the foul line.

Coach Hornmann injected three new faces into the lineup at the start of the second half when Roepke went in for Steve Hamas, Reilly relieved Page as center and Von Neida replaced Baron.

The change did not help the cause of Susquehanna for it was fully twelve minutes after play was resumed that Eastwood's attempt from foul down the floor sent the Selingsgrove score into double figures. In the interval the Penn State offensive was good for seventeen points when two field goals each flowed from the

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hands of Captain Hamas, Roepke and Reilly while Von Neida registered a lone field marker and Mike a foul shot.

Delay tallied the losers second field goal in the half but Roepke, Von Neida, Reilly and Steve Hamas, Mike's substitute, brought the count to 48-13. At this point Smaltz, who was injected for Delay, counted Susquehanna's final score. It was followed by another foul shot by Steve which ended the scoring.

Summary: PENN STATE vs SUSQUEHANNA. Table with columns for FG, FT, REB, etc.

Cathart Theatre (Matinee Daily at 2.00)

TUESDAY-- Ronald Colman and Vilma Banky in "THE DARK ANGEL"

WEDNESDAY-- Lillian and Dorothy Gish in "ORPHANS OF THE STORM"

THURSDAY-- William Boyd in "THE VOLGA BOATMAN"

FRIDAY-- Lon Chaney in "THE PENALTY" Nittyaty Theatre (Evening Showing Only)

TUESDAY-- William Boyd in "JIM THE CONQUEROR"

WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY-- Den Lyon and Pauline Starke in "THE PERFECT SAP"

FRIDAY and SATURDAY-- All Star Cast in "THE AUCTIONEER"

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