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AFTER GRADUATION—GOLF

In answer to the much discussed question, "Why Go to College?" many university presidents and others of importance have ventured opinions, but few have been able to agree on any one viewpoint. For most of us, however, the belief that college is a preparation for life is satisfactory. Evaluating educational institutions in the light of this criterion, one finds that they fall short in athletic training.

Under the system now in vogue a few receive a highly specialized training in the more vigorous sports such as football, basketball and track, while the majority slight physical education classes and avoid muscular exertion as much as possible. There are even a few of the small group who participate actively to receive a preparation, not for life after graduation, but for positions on professional teams and as coaches.

Just as good mental habits should be acquired at college, so should the body become adjusted to a life of normal activity. What happens to the varsity basketball or football player who enters the business or professional world? Certainly he will not find time to take the same amount of exercise that he was accustomed to during his undergraduate days. Consequently the process of adjusting his appetite and body to the new conditions is usually unpleasant and sometimes fatal. Obesity and "bay windows," which, however, are frequently due to other causes, are often the results of the body's struggle to meet the demands placed upon it.

Would it not be far better for the student to acquire a skill and devotion to some form of physical activity that he can follow in everyday life? Golf and tennis are two sports that call for enough muscular exertion to keep the muscles in trim. Both require neither too much nor too little skill for the ability of the average man and are within the reach of nearly every college graduate. Other activities such as swimming, walking and setting-up exercises are valuable, but lack the competitive element.

The first attempt of note to promote a scheme of this kind was recently accomplished at the Naval Academy when golf was made a highly recommended, although not compulsory, part of the curriculum. Midshipmen electing the Scotch pastime must take ten lessons and must pass on the course before scholastic credits will be awarded. The Annapolis authorities have been the first to give public recognition of the importance of undergraduate sports that may be continued in after-life. Other institutions will show wisdom in stressing some of the so-called minor sports and providing an opportunity for more students to participate under capable guidance.

EDUCATING THE ALUMNI

All too frequently the college diploma is the death warrant of further education. The recipient of the coveted sheepskin is sorely tempted to stride egotistically into a skeptical world brandishing a sheet of paper in lieu of brains and ability. For a while the dodge deceived shrewd business men, but only for a while. The employers of college graduates sought protection from the insidious practice by proclaiming the value of higher education negligible. The defenders of learning reciprocated with statistics to show that the monetary value of four years of study is worth approximately seventy-five thousand dollars. Applications for entrance in universities in-

creased, however, but the controversy did reveal the fact that education only began in college, that the prerequisites for a diploma were not always the same as those for breadwinning jobs.

Fortunately the idea that college merely gives one a fast start on a lifetime of learning is rapidly increasing in favor and practice. The most recent development along this line is the establishment of "The Alumni University of Michigan" by Dr. Clarence Cook Little, president of the University of Michigan. Each one of Michigan's sixty-seven thousand alumni who enrolls, will choose a subject which interests him or her. If the choice be literature, Michigan professors will read and supervise courses. In short, the faculty will keep their alumni-students informed about all the latest developments and tendencies in their chosen field. The alumni will also be free to visit their departments, quiz professors, write letters of inquiry and use the library of the laboratories. They will be perpetual students. Tuition fees will be voluntary, according to the wealth or generosity of the individual. One thousand graduates have manifested their approval of the scheme by applying for admission to this new university.

Doctor Little, who also favors birth control and carries on research work in heredity, is the first administrator with sufficient courage and foresight to sponsor such a plan. As soon as students realize that most college courses form a background with which to interpret current practices, events and tendencies and as such, need to be related to the present and not studied as isolated units and promptly forgotten after the final exam, then misunderstanding and differences between college life and the "world" will be wiped out.

A RAILROAD AT LAST

The Bellefonte Central, for years the butt of many an undergraduate and alumnus joke, is about to forsake this role. State College is to have railroad passenger service and the Bellefonte Central very sincerely intends to assume this responsibility. No more will the screechy whistle and the disturbing snorts announce only the arrival or departure of a few belated freight cars chasing after a puffing locomotive. No more will a few soot-covered riders emerge from a rickety caboose, for the Bellefonte Central intends to convey passengers in modern cars from Tyrone direct to State College.

After many years of comparative isolation from the world because of limited transportation facilities, Penn State will at last be availed of railroad connections. The Bellefonte Central, in purchasing the eighteen-mile line between Stover and Fairbrook has opened the way for direct railroad communication with Tyrone where east and west-bound express trains are accessible. A six-mile road is to be built from Struble station to Fairbrook, thus forming a through-line to Tyrone.

This step on the part of the railroad authorities will result in several changes in Penn State life. For one, the cherished isolation of the College which some have deemed so valuable to education, will be in part removed. Because it is so difficult at present to leave State College at one's convenience, students are thought to be in closer contact with their studies.

But this will be counterbalanced by the fact that the proposed railroad facilities will remove any barriers that may have prevented distinguished speakers and educators from visiting the College. Holiday congestions will be avoided and business men will be provided with better shipping accommodations. In the final analysis both Penn State and State College will benefit by the addition of a direct railroad connection.

Nittany Matmen Secure Win Over Pennsylvania

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meet and grappled for two extra periods before the Lion captain was able to obtain the 125-pound decision. Considerable attention was also focused on the lightweight bout between Ted Wilson and Rabinowitz, study Pennsylvania a 135-pounder, which ended in a tie after the necessary two additional frames.

From the very beginning of the meet, the Nittany septet held the lead. Don Steele, Lion bantamweight, was the first of Penn State's string of victors and after tussling with Morris Gamm for what seemed an interminable period, suddenly secured a knockout and threw the Quaker boy seventeen seconds before the match was supposed to end.

Next came the 125-pound encounter between the two rival captains, Wally Liggitt and Johnny Bezd. The ten minutes allotted for the bout ended with a bare margin of eighteen seconds in Liggitt's favor and made two additional periods necessary. It was in the extra time that the Penn State captain secured his time advantage of one minute forty seconds.

Ted Wilson and Rabinowitz, of Pennsylvania, provided the sensational bout of the meet when they wrestled through two extra periods for 135-pound honors. Neither of the lightweights was able to gain the edge on the other and the bout ended with a splitting of the three points allotted the match. The welterweight fight, which was closely fought, saw Liberman displayed his superiority over Lee who took the hit to Jerry's arm, and crashed through with a time advantage of two minutes, twenty-one seconds. The Blue and White team annexed its fourth bout when Packard main-

tained his reputation of past seasons and defeated Pratt in the 160-pound class with a time advantage of eight minutes, twenty-two seconds. Hollibaugh gained the next three points for the Nittany matmen when he secured the decision over Gabriel, Pennsylvania's light-heavyweight, with three minutes, three seconds to his credit.

Kandell Defends Mahoney
The heavyweight encounter proved a hard tussle, although Al Kandell's knowledge of wrestling tactics was sufficient to subdue Rog Mahoney, giant Lion matman, with a time advantage of one minute, thirty seconds.

College To Continue Nature Study Course

With the announcement today of the third annual nature study camp to be held in the Seven Mountains by the summer session of the Pennsylvania State College, it was learned that almost twenty prospective students have already engaged space in the cabins for one of the two camps. They are teachers and lovers of nature and according to Prof. George R. Green, head of the College nature education department, the two camps this summer will offer more in the way of instruction and held trips than ever before. The first camp opens June twenty-eighth and extends to July nineteenth and the second is from July eighteenth to August seventh.

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Director Formulates Summer Session Plans

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Rosenthal is well known in French educational circles. A special bulletin setting forth the courses offered will be published soon by the officials of the Session. Specific dates for the enrollment of regular students will be announced later in the semester.

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Will the person who took a black, single-breasted overcoat with a White Muser label, Saturday night from the Sigma Alpha Epsilon house, kindly return it to V. O. Schinnerer, Phi Kappa Psi house Purgin gloves and a silk scarf were in the pockets 2-7-2tp

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