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A WORD OF EXPLANATION

There has been considerable misunderstanding about Governor Fisher's stand on the proposed Bond Issue for Penn State. The current rumor falsely has it that the Governor is directly opposed to the passage of Amendment No. 2.

Nowhere did Governor Fisher make any statement directly in opposition to the Bond Issue. He merely made clear exactly what he was prepared to do for the College by way of appropriation during his administration.

ONE CENT PER VOTE

"Life at Penn State means serious study, wholesome living, democracy and fair play. We, the 1100 students who are here, are asking fair play for the hundreds of high school boys and girls at home who may be turned away from Penn State because there is no room for them."

This is the appealing message that the College hopes students will disseminate to all parts of the State by means of the number of post cards allotted them.

We quote from the Syracuse Daily Orange of last Thursday an editorial that has all the swagger confidence of a New York boxing commission.

The Nittany Lion is in for a beating when Bill Orange's men invade the State College gridiron on Saturday afternoon. Of that we are reasonably sure but why take any chances.

THE LION AWAKES

Beaten and abused, kicked and cuffed, torn and worn (as Philadelphia sport writers would have it) by successive setbacks inflicted by the battering Bison and the potent Penn team, the Nittany Lion awoke here from its lethargy Saturday and rolled the Orange all over New Beaver field.

It is well that success, for it was that, rewarded Bezel's men. Those who came to jeer stayed to cheer. Old grads said not a word of inept coaching or poor material but instead marvelled at the incredibly spirited fight of the team and would have embraced the individual members had they the opportunity.

congratulated, so is the entire squad for earning one of the few real "moral victories" on record.

An occasional survivor of the clan of condemned stickers rides defiantly about despite the Student Council ruling which prohibits their use entirely. True, only a few remain because of the abundance of a number of narrow-minded students who are generally the most troublesome.

The Bullosopher's Chair

SESSION ONE

"Have you seen the latest campus atrocity, Smithers?" Smithers: If you mean the splotchy color scheme on the Forestry building, that's not really late.

"No, no!" I mean the campus hat—"Smithers: To be sure! I've noticed with much curiosity those flexible hats with the hand made insignia, seemingly worn innumerable, to mock the genuine product and to detract from their dignity and importance of them."

"Warm! You've guessed the effect but not the cause. I had reference to the new Blue Key hats with their contrasting color scheme of blue and more blue, with their official insignia which can be deepened many, many feet away—with a telescope. They're tumored and lifeless enough to be worn as the official headpiece for local society of motorists. Drab. Colorless. Almost void."

"Smithers: You spoke of cause and effect and importance—" "Yes, yes. The cause of this new effect seems to be a desire to make the society more important. True enough, it is an important organization as it stands and has no need for hats that are to be worn every day. It stands primarily for service, not honor, and although there is some glory involved, it is an incidental condition not one to be advertised with consistent pride."

"It must be granted, too, that members of the organization have worked purposefully for their positions and have achieved some measure of managerial success, but their attainment is really only a preliminary or intermediate one, it you will, and cannot hope to match the importance of this daily display, or to warrant the same."

"Practically four out of five assistant managers will wear Blue Key hats daily, while only one of these will wear the managerial peak. Think of the flood of such hats that would deluge the campus if four-fifths of the squads in every sport wore them. And aren't they just as deserving?"

"Smithers: I suppose. But isn't everyone satisfied?" "Probably not. Why even some of the most devoted and earnest members of last year's organization of Blue Key stand honestly opposed to this new daily display, to this overemphasis, to this great junior posture."

"Furthermore, this swam of hats, just like so many insignificant gold keys, detracts from the importance, exclusiveness and significance of the real honor and reward societies. At this rate it is safe to suppose that the two-year olds and Watts Hall boys will be sporting campus hats of their own origination to distinguish themselves from the townfolk and that the only distinctive students will be the few who don't wear campus hats."

"Let there be more rain hats, I say, when there is more rain!"

SESSION TWO

"Why the dazed countenance, Smithers? You look as if you were just awaking from a long, hard night of sleep on a concrete floor. Where have you been?"

"Smithers: In the library, getting my usual afternoon nap."

"What! Sleeping in the library? I didn't know they allowed that. I always thought the library was a place for reading and study—and conversational 'dates' with the co-eds."

"Smithers: I was once under that delusion myself, but it's impossible to keep awake in that Sahara atmosphere. It's stifling hot. There isn't much noise, only the buzz of whispered confidences to lull one away from the books. You can't help falling asleep, and when you wake up, you feel just as if somebody had pounded you all over. And there seems to be no ventilation at all. You breathe the same air over and over again and then wonder why you don't feel like conquering the world. It's no use. I've tried everything—everything except eating a cake of ice and an electric fan along with me."

"That, to use the trite expression, is a deplorable condition. What can be done about it? The library's fan is too small, and it's hard to ventilate. They might try cutting down the heat a bit. That would certainly help. And then, the Bond Issue, if passed, might offer a solution for the future."



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Twenty Years Ago

(From the Collegian files of 1908)

With points to spare the varsity football team of Geneva College on Saturday won the fourth annual contest against the Western Pennsylvanians. Fifty was the total number of points piled up by "Bill" McCleary's men but the White and Blue eleven played rugged football in spots.

The event that discouraged everyone, however, was the injury which Captain McCleary sustained when he broke his shoulder blade in trying not to fall on his right arm which was already injured. There are not a great many chances of McCleary's getting into the game again this season.

Because of the recent fires which have occurred in town it has been thought advisable to publish the fire signals as they are given by the siren whistle. The students can cut them out and fasten them up in their rooms to facilitate their aid at the fire.

A resolution was presented at the Wednesday evening meeting by a committee of the Student Council to prevent the defacing of the clock in the tower. It was unanimously accepted. The tower of the Main building is being repaired and the dials of the clock will be re-fitted.

The board of editors of the 1910 Let Us with the unanimous approval of the whole junior class have dedicated their publication to Dr. Edwin E. Sparks.

Talks by Deans

Mining Engineering deals with the exploration, development, and exploitation of mineral deposits. Graduates of the department of mining of the School of Mines and Metallurgy are prepared to go into one of the metal mining districts of the West, gold mines of Alaska, silver mines of Canada, copper mines of Mexico or South America as well as the coal mines of Pennsylvania. Mr. Herbert Hoover is a mining engineer and the first engineer to be nominated for the presidency of the United States. Mr. Hoover has managed mining operations in the United States, Mexico, South Africa, China and Russia. Special attention is called to the fact that mining engineering is the application of all other

forms of engineering to the mining industry. Therefore, it is unusually broad in scope and is often taken by students who desire primarily a general engineering training while in college.

Pennsylvania has a great variety of mining activities, embracing iron ore, clays, sands, quartz stone and oil and gas production, in addition to the great coal industry. It is in coal mining that the principal interest centers and the biggest changes are taking place that require the direction of technically trained men. Up until three or four years ago, coal went over land or other screens into railroad cars and thence to the consumer. Because of recent developments in combustion engineering and processing practices, the consumer now specifies the character and the size of the coal he will buy. Consequently, problems in coal cleaning and beneficiation are of outstanding importance. Electrification and mechanization of mines is another development in the industry which is calling for the highest degree of technical skill. There is a tendency towards consolidation of mines, and the solution of many of the larger economic problems lies in this direction. The mining engineer must be thoroughly grounded in the economics of the industry. All high cost mines must be placed permanently and the low cost mines worked more regularly, in order to reduce overhead costs, insure greater profits and higher wages for mining labor.

—Edward Steidle, Dean of Mines

Side Lines

Little Coop French performed brilliantly against the Hillmen Saturday. It's just a French way-of-doing thing.

Syracuse was penalized 20 yards for sideline coaching in the second quarter. We sort of think the Orange needed this coaching in the fourth quarter.

Cal Shawley certainly was a bulwark on the defense Saturday. Just another case of a local boy making good.

Speaking of Shawley, the writer

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Cathamm Theatre

Nittany Theatre

TUESDAY—Cathamm—Return Showing of John Gilbert, Ernest Torrence in "THE COSSACKS"

TUESDAY—Nittany—Madge Bellamy, Louise Dresser in "MOTHER KNOWS BEST"

WEDNESDAY—Richard Dix in "WARNING UP"

THURSDAY and FRIDAY—George Bancroft in "THE DOCKS OF NEW YORK"

FRIDAY and SATURDAY—Harold Lloyd in "SPEEDY"

SATURDAY—James Hall, Ruth Taylor in "JUST MARRIED"

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