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#### A MISLEADING RATIO

were taken at its face value, one must conclude that th student personnel of classes at Penn State numbers but ten, while there is an ineal proportion of instructors in comparison with the student empiliaent. The item readcomparison with the student emoliment. The item read-"For every ten students attending Penn State, there is in ratio one faculty member, according to a report which College officers have just compiled for the year 1928-1929." But the thoughtful person immediately requests an explanation of the present ponderous enrollment in practic

Facts, compiled satisfically or compared one to an racts, complied satisficantly of compared one to ache, often mislead. The present case might be likened to the judgment of a Packard dealer in selecting a community where the greatest demand for his automobiles would prevail. He chose a small town where the average meome of each inhabitant was written high in five figure But one serious flaw arose in the salesman's calculation He did not realize that one of the residents of the tow

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to faculty members is ten to one misleads. It is not false, nevertheless, for the total number of isedents, 3837, divided by the total number of isedent faculty members, 424, yields a ratio of less than ten to one. How inadequate the compension is, however, may be shown by another example. On the hypothesis that every student has five courses scheduled, and continuing with the ratio, one must conclude that the instructor has a total of fifty students under his tutelage, for the faculty schedule at Penn State, specifically in the Liberal Aits school, is fifteen hours a week. But the truth of the matter resolves into quite a different figure. Practically any instructor can say that he teaches from 150 to 200 students each semester.

On at least four points the total number of resident faculty members, given in the news item as 424, may be scored. The College maintains an extensive extension service. The total of 424 included 105 extension instructions, all of whom are resident faculty members in that they have offices on the campus. But practically mone of them makes actual teaching contact with the student body. Further, there is a staff of approximately fifty graduated assistants, who devote only pait time to teaching. Continuing, one can feel family safe in making the assertion that a number of men doing nothing but research, as well as several administrative officers, was included in the total. Now where is the 424 total? And where is the ten to one ratio?

Obviously, when the College disseminates such information the Liberal Aits faculty suffers to the greatest degree. It is true that the ratio, so far as the actual number of students registered in that School and the instructors are concerned, holds. But what of students emolled in other Schools who come to Liberal Arts for a great number of courses? Witness the 1885 students emolled in other Schools who come to Liberal Arts for a great number of courses? Witness the 1885 students emolled in the conductions would be of courses? Witness the 1885 students emo

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"Ilow do you know? Worse things han that have not class of students are pursuing mathematics courses during the prevent semester. All of these students are taught by the Liberal Arts faculty. In the economics and sociology department nine instructors must care for the truming against the principles of human nature. Think 1885 students. Do these figures give a ten to one ratio? 1885 students Do these figures give a ten to one ratio? over sor R. P. S.

### VICTORY IN DEFEAT

One of the hardest trials that any normal human ben can experience is to meet defeat in some undestaking, to be restrained from fulfilling some intense desire, whether it be for honor, love, or money. As long as the motion is onward and upward toward the goal everything goes smoothly with the individual, but, the instant the ascent ends and the decline begins he assumes a decidedly different attitude toward life. If the descent continues until it communities in fully a the results when the continues until it. culminates in failure the result is doubly hard to ber

culminates in failure the result is doubly haid to bear. At the height of his disappointment the person is inevitably led to place the blame upon someone, either upon his own shoulders or those of another. Whatever the case may be the loser is dissatisfied.

College students, although at times considering themselves aloof from others, nie piecisely the same as their fellow human beings. They must face problems and learn to conquer or at least attempt to solve them just the same as any other class of people. That is the reason for their piesence in college. These problems may take the form of a desire for an education, or for prominence in the fields of athletics, campus leadership, or publications. There are many candidates for each position that leads to prominence but from this group one or perhaps two are selected while the others are dropped or carried along as "dead wood." Defeat then is a common occurrence in collegiate encles, and because of its presence deserves careful conwood." Defeat then is a common occurrence in collegiate erreles, and because of its presence deserves careful con-

Failure to attain an end is justified only when the individual feels that he has put forth every effort in the best manner possible. It will be a degree of personal sat-isfaction or consolation to him to know that he has direct-ed his strongest effort towards the goal. This does not

nean that one should be content with losing all of the me but merely that when failure does overtake him h ny view it in a softer light

Many students try out for an activity as a sense of duty to their fraternities; with a great desire to engrave the name of their house indelibly upon the history of the college. When this hope has been shattered their thoughts turn immediately to one thing; they have failed to fulful an obligation to their fraternities. But the fraternities will not condemn them The houses realize that these me have expended time and energy, that they have forgone pleasures in an effort to make good, and that probably no other men could have done the work better than they

Claims of unfairness are to be heard after any stu lent election. The results are bound to be dissatisfying to someone and it is at this point that the individual's tr. to someone and it is at this point that the individual's trivial strength of character is brought to the front. He may be a poor loser and outwardly express his opinion of the election of he may keep his thoughts to himself. Although his appearance may be the picture of contentment and satisfaction it is only natural that he will consider himself. as the best man for the position, and it is to his credit and personal benefit that he should.

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All the world loves a good loser. The athletic team that gives a cheer for its conqueror after the game, the boxer who smilingly shakes the gloved hand of the victor when the referee announces the decision, the unsuccessful candidate who congratulates his rival who has reached the top, all are in some manner or other heroes in the minds of the public. They have been defeated, true, but the fees of that failure they have been defeated, true, but in the face of that failure they have had the courage to smile. They have won a moral victory.

# The Bullosopher's Chair

"Ha, Ha Did you read this aiticle, sent out by the Asosciated Press, in the paper?"
Smithers: How should I know, which story are you referring to?
"Liston—The campus of the University of Detroit



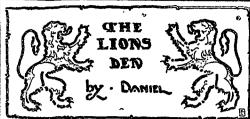
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more of substitute obscurity and suddenly burst fort
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"Soup" (we heard someone call him that) has an odd combination of chilities and taients and inclinations. We follow him through a busy day and find that first of all he goes to class ( which is an unusual practice for any athlete) where he is a high ranking, student. After classes, he hustles to the Ree Hall and goes through his strenuous wresting paces Practice over, he dashes downtown, swoops a meal (in less than 15 minutes, we are told) and inports to Old Chapel for debating practicum. He talks as vigorously, agulely and conviengly as he wrestles After wresting with rebuttal, propositions (and all sorts of temptations) he skips (note he isn't in the habit of walking: it takes too much time and thought) to the Libiary where he works in what spare hours he may have

But that isn't all. When week-ends are dull and uninteresting, he hastens home to his father's farm in Pennsylvania Furnace (only a few miles from here) and helps with the crops.

Here's an example that would make the energetic Mussolini look like a lazy bitm.

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On Saturday evening, March 13, Porf. H. S. Giaves, director of the Yale Foiestry School, will deliver an illustrated lecture in the auditorium on "How Our Government is Solving Its-Forest Problems." Children under syrteen will not be admitted unless ac-The old grandstand on Beaver Field

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dester Council in deliberating over the matter the other day, thought that the advantages accoung after the change war made, would quickly make up for an, temporary trouble.

It is somewhat surprising that McGill follows no other college in this matter of the Annual. All universities to our knowledge have senior year books, which are a compendium of all the activities of the whole four years of a student's life. The bid eraphics are thus more complete that

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# Thoughts of Others

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