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#### OBJECTIVES OF THIS COLLEGE

It would be difficult to pick a quarrel with the suggested objectives of the College as stated in the report of the Senate committee. In the first place, it is so general and vague that every statement is open to the broadest range of interpretation. And, secondly, practically every objective which could possibly be attributed to an institution of learning is included as one of the objectives of this College in the report.

Significant, however, is the placing of this sentence at the head of the list of instruction objectives: "To provide education for earning a living." This is the reiteration of an ideal of the College which is sometimes lost from sight here. This College, then, is fundamentally a training school for workers in the trades and occupations of the 'middle class.' Ardent Liberal Arts advocates must not lose sight of this utilitarian purpose in their zeal to spread the cult of pure culture.

It may not be too long a time before this item will have to be placed second to a statement: "To provide education for enjoying a living." Let the earning business come after. Some persons do more enjoying than 'earning while others are inclined to earn rather than

As yet, the original purpose, to provide education in agriculture and the mechanic arts, pervades the objectives of the College with the enlargements, of course, along other technical lines. However, as the ideals and methods of education change, it is inevitable that the place of cultural training will come back to claim its place in the technological institution. There is appearing now a reaction to the highly specialized and exclusively technical trainings which grew so important during years of boom production. -

It is also significant that the second purpose stated is: "To improve the various industries and professions of the Commonwealth." It impresses the distinctly sectionalized purpose of the College upon the faculty and students.

Such a codified statement of the purposes of the College will be distinctly valuable to students and faculty who will be able to justify almost any practice in the name of one of the purposes of the College. The interpretation of these purposes still returns to College officials, however, and they, in turn, will be able to justify any decision in the name of another stated purpose of the College.

The action of at least one fraternity in eliminating Christmas cards this year strikes a sympathetic note of economy that might well be headed by other groups that have not already made their purchases. The exchange of Christmas greetings by fraternities is at best an empty gesture. Sent more in the spirit of out-doing and keeping up with the other houses, the cards might well be eliminated as one of the unnecessary luxuries that must go for economy's sake.

### CATALOG ECONOMY

In an attempt to reduce the expense of the College catalog for the coming year, a committee guiding its editorial make-up has recommended changes to climinate fifty pages. The group is to be commended for its emphasis on making course descriptions brief and at the same time reasonably complete.

If reduction in size is further desired the editors d do nothing better than eliminate # that are carried on the pages of the catalog that are neither seen nor heard of anywhere else. There are listed in the catalog approximately eighteen hundred graduate and undergraduate courses. Seven hundred and thirty courses are actually scheduled in the first semester time-table. This number doubled to allow liberally for additional new courses in the second semester still leaves a balance of several hundred courses that apparently are nothing more than "filler" as far as the particular academic year is concerned. These courses, cither because they have been discarded or represent nothing more than pipe dreams, should not be carried to swell the page numbers of the catalog.

The saving in page numbers by the elimination of courses not actually given might well be used in retaining the complete list of staff members instead of eliminating all under the rank of assistant professor as the report suggests. The College catalog, representing the only widely distributed record of personnel and courses. should be as complete as possible in respect to pertinent statistics.

### **OLD MANIA**

Treated again to one of those exuberant ramblings on what the well meaning male student should be, the readers of this edition should be well-nigh ready to go off on a Christmas beer bender or at least find release for their emotions in tearing the coat hooks off the booths of the local eatery as they scan the latest co-ed male demands.

What floors us is the insistence of one authority that big cars are a barrier which forever will stand in the way of her friendship and that of any man. Thumbing the pages of our Freud and Spengler and whatnot with true psychological astuteness we see for this co-ed an inhibition or even maybe a phobia. No doubt some sad experience with elephants has caused this complex.

And just to illustrate in what slight esteem some of the lady friends hold their dates list to the paean of woe that is being chanted from the polits dept. One fair student inadvertently handed in with her seasonal report a list of her conquests. Last names and fraternities are given at first but lo-soon first names and then only the fraternities are recorded. Ah, woes innumerable have come upon the manhood of Penn State that their full names should not even be recorded in the co-ed annals.

This week's limerick prize goes beyond a doubt to the contributor whose facile pen has scratched the below out of one hour of philosophy:

There was a great thinker named Plato Who is given a very high rato.

When people make love Their passions they shove

Behind them and love a la Plato. Thank you, and maybe Simonedese days we can do as much for you.

Our wanderings through North Liberal Arts bldg not so long ago brought to our attention some queer goings-on that even the Campus Patrol has not recorded. From some cavernous depths strange noises were rising. As we crept to the door of class room number one we heard . . . . "One, two, three, shift! Hut tuh, tree, hecave." And all this accompanied by much grunting, moaning, and the noise of shoes scraping on tables. Overcome by considerable curiosity we drew the door ajar and there, pfft, there was the debating team hard at work practicing putting their feet on tables . . . . after the Oxford manner.

The initiation season is upon us, so get out your keys and shine them up for all good little honoraries have keys and shingles. There's the one going the rounds about how the light of Truth, Justice, Purity, and a few other virtues went out because the bulb went blooey in the crucial moment and the poor officer couldn't read the most impressive part of the ritual. Or maybe you're in on the story of the man who missed the election meeting only to confront a newly-elected member, who chanced to be a fraternity brother also, with: "Congratulations, what is the ribbon you're wearing?"

And now for a little chit-chat that must be told! Max Moore gains the palm for most ardent suitor for his meritorious delay of a Tyrone bus during a twenty-five minute talk with a lady acquaintance . . . . Pool tables replace ping-pong in Old Main and there's many a die-hard . . . . Scott Geesey foils around in front of the Lambda Chi lodge . . . . fency that . . . . Marge Miller thinks the Sigma Nu beanery is a barber shop . . . . many a man about town is wearing one of these five down and a buck a week suits . . . . ah

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## 4 Schools Show Increase In Semester's Enrollment

Four of the eight schools of the college have enrollment increases this this year in comparison to last year's semester, although the general enrollment of the College has decreased three percent, according to the classithis flour of 92.

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The largest gain was shown in the School of Physical Education, with 76 students enrolled this year as compared with 41 for last year. The foraduate School enrollment increased from 309 to 390, while the School of Counties follow with 349, 319, and 315 Education and the School of Chemistry and Physics showed gains of levest students, with only six students and five nearest respectively. even and five percent respectively. dents coming from that district.

eleven and five percent respectively.

In the School of Mineral Industries, where the greatest drop was recorded, the enrollment fell from 251 to 197 students. The School of Engineering, which has nearly one-fourth of the total enrollment of the College, suffered a decrease of 12 percent. The Liberal Arts School, with 924 students enrolled this year, showed a drop of five percent, while the School of Agriculture showed a similar decrease.

The enrollment of women undergraduates increased from 556 to 731, although the men's enrollment dropped from the district.

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### Weaver Approves State Sales Tax As 'Democratic'

Little Theatre, Old Main at 9 o'clock cent years," Dr. Frederick P. Weaver, head of the department of agricultural economics said in an interview Friday. The bill was passed by the State Legislature late last August.

"Every man, no matter what his salary, should realize that legislation before State and National Legislation before State and National Legislative bodies is of concern to him," Dr. Wearer maintained. "The sales tax, taking care of the small portion of the budget that it does, cannot rest heavily on anyone, yet it makes every voter conscious of the fact that he is helping to support the government," he added. helping to support the government, he added.

"Contrary to the opponents of the tax, the assessment does not curtail business. In an emergency such as the one which national and state bud-

#### PRODUCTION CANDIDATES TO SEEK PLAYERS POSTS

Faculty, Moller Will Supervise Work Of Men, Women Aspirants

"Although bitterly criticised, the State unemployment relief sales tax is one of the most progressive moves towards real democracy taken in re-Little Theatre, Old Main at 9 o'clock All freshman and sophomore candi-dates for the production staff of the temple.

#### BOOKS DONATED TO LIBRARY

Gifts of two books were made to business. In an emergency such as the one which national and state budgets face today, such a business decrease is inconceivable," he said. "The present unemployment situation demands the assistance of State Edinborough, Scotland, in 1834, was funds."

"Balancing the budget would increase public confidence, thus encouraging the inflow rather than the outflow of gold," he declared.

## HOW TO AVOID BONERS

### THE UNITED STATES IS LOCATED IN THE TEMPERANCE ZONE

DOOR BILL BONER-he just an't think straight. He thinks person is safe from contagious disease if he is intoxicated!

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## Speaking Books

The lure of the orient surround and pervades the history and romance of a Persian heroine and queen is the a land where and at a time when women were largely confined to the decinest with Ohio Wesleyan here harem. more noteworthy because she lived in

Boucke-"Laissez Faire and After' Boucke—"Laissez Faire and After"
Men are wondering why the good
times have gone and when and if they
will return. A full and free discussion of the failure of the old laissez
faire theory and of what may possibly
be expected to take its place in the
future is timely and helpful, particularly from the pen of Professor
Boucke.

Sugimoto—"A Daughter of the Nar kin"

The author of "The Daughter of the Samurai" picturing the old feu-dal nobility tries his hand not quite so successfully in a presentation of the daughter of the modern Japanese business man. It is beautifully writ-ten and ends with the daughter enshrined as a priestess in a Buddhist

Walker-"Frank Norris" This member of the famous Norris family has had little written about him though he founded with "The Octopus" and "The Pit" a new series

of business fiction and was showin great promise when appendicitis too him at thirty-two.

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### WOMEN DEBATERS CHOOSE 'DEBT CANCELLATION' TOPIC

"Cancellation of War Debts" will be the subject on which the women's debating team will take the affirma-tive side when it meets the women's team of the College of William and Mary at Williamsburg, Va., next Tuesday.

Co-ed debaters will uphold the neg-

#### SIGMA DELTA CHI

Richard S. Ovler '33 Karl E. Knecht '34. George A. Scott '34 James M. Sheen '34 William M. Stegmeier 34 Richard G. Wolf '34

## CATHAUM

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TUESDAY-

Paul Muni in "I AM A FUGITIVE FROM

VEDNESDAY—

Clara Bow in Tiffany Thayer's

"CALL HER SAVAGE"

HURSDAY—
Ann Harding, Richard Dix in
"THE CONQUERORS"

Janet Gaynor, Charles Farrell in TESS OF THE STORM COUNTRY" Special Added Attraction THE FOUR MILLS BROTHERS

in nat "I Ain't Got Nobody" and SATURDAY—

Spencer Tracy, Joan Bennett in "ME AND MY GAL"

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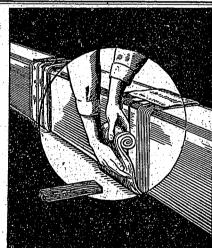
TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY—"
Stuart Erwin, Allison Skipworth in
"HE LEARNED ABOUT WOMEN" THURSDAY-

"CALL HER SAVAGE" FRIDAY-

"THE CONQUERORS"

SATURDAY—
"TESS OF THE STORM COUNTRY"

and
THE FOUR MILLS BROTHERS



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