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MERGER

The history of the Penn State "Handbook" has been checkered with fruitless attempts at amalgamating both the men's and women's divisions into a single volume. This simple, and most logical of changes, has been long in coming but now for the first time steps have advanced to a stage where the goal seems in sight. Only those asquainted with the ramifications of collegiate activities can appreciate how difficult can be such a simple move of joining two manuals, both edited in the same fashion and bearing parallel material.

Although in the past, women's organizations have been the principal objectors, this year the women's Senate and the sorority council have approved the plan for amalgamation. That the groups of men affected will lend support to this most practical development seems inevitable. In the past, the efficiency to be gained from a single volume was the main argument advanced under economic conditions where both the women's government and the Christian association could afford to sink money in separate publications.

Not only a duplication of work, since much of the material in both books was of necessity the same, separate publications were an uncalled for drain on advertisers because two printing bills had to be met. Continuation of this extravagant policy would be utter foolhardiness when better results are so easily accessible.

The single book will contain material both of importance to men and women and by acquainting each group with the distinctive features of the other will tend toward a closer unity between them. The new plan also calls for a more proportionate evaluation of all student activities. That this summary should include fair treatment of all significant features of campus activity is a fundamental requirement that must be met if the "Handbook" is to secure for itself the reputation of being the encyclopedia of student life.

Reports of over-enthusiastic clique workers, in the fullness of their hearts, beginning their elections campaign already brings forth a definite warning that violations of the rule prohibiting electioneering before the fifth of April will be dealt with severely. Cliques should exercise the authority of holding individual members in line until that time if they wish to avoid the axe that may otherwise fall on the entire group through action of a few members

ON THE HORIZON

That mere knowledge in some specialized field does not constitute the make-up of a true college graduate is a tenet that has too long been disregarded here. Students enrolled in technical schools often went through their college careers gaining little in the field of culture, and upon graduation lacked that rounded-out knowledge which characterizes a man of letters of the intellectual world. Too many graduates were proficient in some technical specialty, but could hardly be termed college men in other respects.

Recent recommendations on the part of the heads of the various schools, and now particularly Dean Watts' in the School of Agriculture, and for adding liberalizing subjects, come as progressive attempts at raising the cultural status of the students in general. In the light of present conditions these changes constitute a great step forward on the part of the college. In addition they may be considered of the utmost importance to the technical graduate of today, of whom more and more of a cultural background is now being required in his profession.

The movement in favor of cultural subjects for technical students was begun this year when the Chemistry and Physics School increased the number of general electives for students from three to twenty credits during the senior year. Accordingly the science requirement was reduced from eighty-four to sixty-three credits. In the Mineral Industries School a proposal has been mado to require only thirty credits in specific technical subjects. If these plans are carried out by the schools they can serve as a great impetus toward raising the cultural aspect of the instituion.

CAMPUSEER

BY MIMSELF What though snow blow, Sleet beat. Wind din, Rain soak us;

Let's sing coming spring, Doc Boucke's Grown a crocus

The Scranton Alumni had a dinner Tuesday night to which they invited Ed Hibshman, Bob Higgins, Dean Eddie Steidle, Joe Bedenk, King Cole, Johnny McAndrews, and Tommy Slusser. Some time before they were scheduled to leave, Hibshman received a telegram which concluded with the words, "Bring

What the hell, pondered the worthy Alumni secretary, why should they want me to bring him along. Besides, the car already had seven husky passengers, and it was certainly no weather for the worthy head of the journalism department to be riding on the

Finally he decided to take the figurative bull by its proverbial horns and proceed as had been planned, saying nothing more about the telegram. So they started out, and in due time arrived in Scranton, at which nobody seemed greatly surprised. After the dinner had gotten well under way. Hibshman attempted to make his apologies. Shucks, said the Scranton alumni, it wasn't Franklin C. we wanted, it was a big Penn State banner to stick up on the wall. The meal was all right.

We have it that Ben Bernie and the lads got a fore-tasto of Penn State hospitality when they were entertained by Kitty Campbell, formerly of this borough, at her apartment in Phila,, where she has been doing a bit of artistic modelling during the past flock of fortnights.

One of the more interesting and printable stories that came from the momentous trip of the wrestlers to that great metropolis which has given its name to the New Yorker, is the odd custom of the Beta Sigma Rho-hos at Columbia of singing Penn State's own "I Went To See My Susie," at the end of every meal. They say that one of the boys heard the song, (which, incidentally, is by all odds the best College tune we have) while on a visit to Penn State. He liked it so well that he took it home, and the brethren have been singing it ever since. "Tis further reported that they know the words much better than the average undergraduate of this institution.

Branny Erskine nonchaled into the Phi Psi dining room the other day, attired impeccably as usual in gabardine jacket, etcet and was greeted with the unkindest snick of the week: "Say, do you have to wear that costume around all the time?" Somebody who looked much like a Chic salesman was observed trudging calmly adown the Mall Monday morning, with the personal-contact section of a familiar article of plumbing tucked carelessly under one arm We recommend an early purchase of Lion Suits for seniors April 6 (or is it 7?) comes on apace, and nothing in the clothes line has been designed that is quite so apropos for drinking beer What is one to think when the son of the Deputy Secretary of Public Instruction, or something, takes to writing his name on the walls of our pristine edifices as per Linn Dennis, who with his cohort the lengthy Hunt, defaced the stainless plaster of Room 25, SLA for shame, say we The Sigma Delta Chi Gridiron Banquet promises to make pull-enty of countenances carmine . . .

STATIONERY

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GROUPS MUST LIST BALL ATTENDANCE

Houses To Receive Tickets for Interfraternity Function At Student Union

Fraternities participating in the nnual Interfraternity Ball next Friday night must submit lists of thos planning to attend by next Wednesday noon, according to Harry A. Bauder '33, chairman of the committee in charge of the function. 'Tickets will be distributed to the house presidents at Student Union desk in Old Main on Friday, he said riday, he said.

The contract for decorating Recre-tion hall for the dance has been let to Wilkes-Barre company which spec-alizes in this line of work, Bauder announced. Present decoration plans call for a special lighting effect, he

2 Orchestras Signed

Two bands, Casa Loma and Paul Specht, will furnish continuous music for the dance. The Casa Loma orchestra will be making its fourth appearance at an all-College dance here, having played for the Senior Ball and Interfraternity Ball in 1830, and at Sophomore Hop last spring.

A fourteen-piece orchestra, Casa oma has furnished music for sev-Loma has furnished music for seventy college and university dances since 1929, including functions at Princeton, University of Pennsylvania, Washington and Lee College, Ohio State University, Amherst College, Syracuse and Yale Universities, Johns Hopkins, Boston College and the University of South Carolina. At present the band is on an extended tour of the East.

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HETZEL, WATTS TO SPEAK AT GRANGE SHORT COURSE

and Prof. William R. Gordon, exten-sion rural sociologist, will speak on the program of the three-day short course for lecturers of State subor-

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Alpha and Gamma Phi Beta, and Alpha and Gamma Phi Beta, and Alpha Complete the lineup.

Affairs, who will discuss "Crime and the Cost of Government"; John A. MeSparran, secretary of the State department of agriculture, who will speak on "The Spiritual Influence of the Grange," while James C. Farmer, national grange lecturer, will talk on "Help for Lecturers."

for its rhythmic symphonic syncops which is now playing an engagement in New York City, has made four European tours as well as playing hotel engagements, in Canada and



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Opening the preliminaries for the omen's Intramural bridge tourna President Ralph D. Hetzel, Dean ment, contests will take place this Ralph L. Watts, of the School of Agriculture, Dr. Fred F. Lininger, of the Dormitories, Alpha Chi Omega, and department of agricultural economics, and Prof. William R. Gordon, extenbeth Endress '33, chairman of the and Prof. William R. Gordon, extension rural sociologist, will speak on
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WEDNESDAY.... Phillips Holmes, Ruth Selwyn in 40.75 "MEN MUST FIGHT"

THURSDAY-Warren William, Constance Cummings:

"THE MIND READER"

NITTANY .

FRIDAY—
"OUR BETTERS"

"COHENS AND KELLYS (9)."

TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY- AT The Sensation of Two Continents Land
"MAEDCHEN IN UNIFORM" (Titles in English)

THURSDAY—
"MEN MUST FIGHT"

College Cut-Rate Store

Nestle Chocolate Bars, Half Pound 17c 1 Pound Chocolate Coated Peppermints 29c \$1.00 Seventeen Face Powder

1 Bottle Perfume 1 Tube Cleansing Cream

5 Pound Battle Creek Psylla Seed 98c Three 25c Cubes Unguentine Skin Soap 25c

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• let's not look

Cross-Eyed

Let's look straight ahead. Let's see things as they actually are, and not get distorted views and ideas. We've got to SEE clearly, and THINK clearly, if we're going to get anywhere these days. Our President is working night and day ... and doing things in a big way. Our banks are open ... and hoarders are returning their cash to the banks. The big season for many industries is coming over the horizon. Yes, Spring is coming in more ways than one. For Spring foretells the approach of good business . . . good times . . . so let's and let's not look CROSS-EYED!

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