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NO STEP BACKWARD

After some delay, the plan for aiding freshman athletes is published in this issue. Rumors have been circulating around the campus that Penn State has abandoned the non-subsidization policy and returned to athletic scholarships. In order that these rumors may be discounted and that misunderstanding may be cleared up; an analysis of the plan and its purpose should be made.

The real athletic scholarship policy which Penn State followed prior to 1927 was much different from the present arrangement. Under the old system there were seventy-five-trustee athletic scholarships covering fees and room rent, or fees or room rent; or board. In return for these scholarships, the recipients contributed nothing but their services as athletes. Feeling that such a system was out of line with the aims of the institution, the Alumni advisory committee and the Student Council committee recommended in 1927 that such scholarships be abolished. The recommendation was carried out and Penn State was in the vanguard in the matter of non-subsidization of athletes.

In contrast to this old system, the present plan does not give the athlete something for nothing. It does not guarantee him a livelihood during his four years as an athlete. Instead, it merely gives the prospective freshman athlete a real chance to earn part of his expenses during his first year here by doing actual work in addition to his services as an athlete. In this respect, the freshman athlete is getting no more than the non-athlete who performs the same sort of work in a fraternity house kitchen

Some will say, however, that such a plan discriminates in favor of the athlete. Granting that this is true to some extent, is it such a great evil? There is a tendency for a non-subsidization policy to bend over backward and discriminate against, not for, the athlete. At the present time, nearly every student activity head gets some form of remuneration, while athletes get little aside from letters, trips, and glory. They work long and dismal hours on the practice field without reward, because any form of remuneration is considered unethical.

Now, the present plan does not attempt to reward 'the athlete as many other student activity paticipants aro now rewarded. To repeat, it merely gives the freshman athlete the chance to work for his board at a fraternity for one year. In this way, many athletes who would otherwise be unable to do so will be able to matriculate at Penn State. Such a plan is a far cry from the old policy. It is simply a legitimate way of helping needy athletes to help themselves and thereby bettering the calibre of Penn' State's athletic teams.

SUBSIDIZATION JUSTIFIED

The College literary magazine is the means of satisfying a definite desire on the part of certain members of the student body to express themselves either creatively or critically without being hampered by formal rules of presentation which govern the expression of student thought in the majority of College courses.

For a number of years the Old Main Bell was required as a supplementary text in freshman composition courses. Naturally, the resultant subscriptions did much to help thé magazine over its financial barriers and it possible for the Bell to maintain a high literary

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CAMPUSEER

BY HIMSELF If some one had approached us with odds, we might have wagered that the sands of the Tucson desert

would eventually grow cold. But we never, never,

never would have placed a bet that Bill Hoffman

would be mistaken for a notorious gangster. But then we always seem to bet on the wrong horse.

the corner, the Registrar decided that he'd better get

as far from the College as possible. He picked Tuc-

son, Arizona. Unfortunately, he decided to reach

Tueson in his 1933 Oldsmobile sedan. That was a

mistake. One of the famous Dillinger gang hap-

pens to be driving a car around them there parts which just fits the description of Mr. Hoffman's petrol

wagon. Bill was stopped just outside of Tucson by

a squad of bulls. For over a half-hour they gave him

the third degree. Finally, after some thorough finger-printing, they decided that Bill really was Bill.

and not a member of the Dillinger gang. He's free

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TOUJOURS LA VIE

La Vie copy-reader noted for us.

word by idly spelling it, Discobolis.

ganizations to which they belonged.

Investigation Committee (1)." -

said he was "Treasure of Alpha Tau Alpha." The

little dears. We'll bet they were valuable to the or-

hard to be humorous, this man Schuyler (allegedly

from the Phi Kappa Sig house) also claimed to have

been President of the Sophomore and Junior class.

Charles Franco listed Summer Session '31-'32 as an

undergraduate activity, and Martin Roberts listed the

very interesting extra-curricular subjects of studying

and drinking. Jerry Parker, the old braggart, in-

cludes as an activity, "Chairman, the Swimming Rool

GOOD CLEAN FUN

know if they named Grange Dorm after Red Grange

. . . Mr. Dickson would like some nice bones from

Bezdek's row of corpses for his dog, Flywheel . .

A Women's Building gal forgot to lock her diary last

week and furnished the entire dorm with reading

matter . . . damned interesting reading matter, too

. . Peg Kinsloe has memorized the boxing schedule

... Ruth Harmon's back again . . . after flaving gam-

boled on the sands of Miami with none other than

Junny Leitzell . . . Our Junny! ... Neely McCown,

of sorts but it's reputed that he "wants to get away

from it all and write a book" . . . Yougel chasing

Govier on Saturday night . . .

boxing manager of a few years back, now has a job

Yes, there really is a freshman who wants to

Trying

Then there were the usual jokesters.

Some choice bits of information about spelling

again now.

With second semester registration just around

Letter Box

If I chose to page through some back issues of the COLLEGIAN, I could refer you to a statement made by the editors, in which they lamented the I agree with Mr. Durkee that "do-fact that there were so for which we have the there were so for which we have the source of veter you to a statement made by the diltors, in which they lamented the last that there were so few student ing violence to legislators at random contributions in the form of opinions may have far-reaching effects." It o the Penn State COLLECIAN. Per may be that the Record and the Ledfact that there were so few student to the Penn State COLLEGIAN. Per may be that the *Record* and the *Lcd*-haps if the editors could be persuaded yer were justified in their policy to-to adopt a fair attitude toward the ward "scholarship racketeering." The expressions of those who have conmedium for an arraignment of state ributed, the number of contributions legislators. ight be increased. -Joseph P. Milham.

I was astonished to read in your olumns the reply you offer to Mr Ordinarily it is not good policy to R. L. Durkee, whose denunciation of

K. L. Durkee, whose definitiation of brinkering it is not good poincy to your attack upon the integrity of answer a reader's letter in the Letter Pennsylvania State senators was prompted only by the sincerest of mo-tives. Rather than attempt to justi- this issue, a reply to the above at-fy by evidence the initial statements tack will be made here.

fy by evidence the initial statements tack will be made here. you had made, you elected the easiest and most contemptible way of sliding to discourage contributions to its col-out of the difficulty by pouncing upon a chance remark of Mr. Durkee's have been published this year than which had no connection with the is sue.

the second letter by Mr. Durkee, it The only conclusion that can be was felt that a detailed, point-by-rawn from your reply, which recading the the second letter by Mr. Durkee, it recognizing the need, the COLLEGIAN imposition on the other readers, none ishes R. L. D. the best of luck in his forts to heave librarily extended the second letter by Mr. Durkee, it most of whom were particularly interested efforts to become liberally educated," in the matter. Furthermore, the

and grammar may be gleaned from the senior La Vie activity cards. Here are just a few items which a There is some discrepancy among the members of Discobolus Society concerning the preferred spelling of that organization's name. Buck McKee, Shorty Edwards, and Dave Long are holding out for Discobulus, However, Tom Slusser, Bob Flood, and Puncho Palasin insist that the proper spelling of the word is Discobolus, Instead of settling the argument as all good leaders should do, President Wantshouse come along with an entirely different version of the LET YOUR TASTE DECIDE There is a similar controversy raging about the spelling of Parmi Nous, the French society. This unusual organization has the unique distinction of having two presidents. One of them, a man by the name of Schuyler, spells it Parma Nous, and the other, Johnny Clark, holds out for our version, Parmi Nous. John Parker, who probably thinks variety really is the spice of life, mixes his Greek and French and achieves the happy medium of Parmi Nu. Pete Fisher listed himself as "Treasure of International Relations Club," and, similarly, Russell Smith

"LIFE'S TOO INTERESTING

to waste in arguing about what

"There are many excellent

brands. What's hest for you ...

may not appeal to me. Try them

all,' I say. 'And then let your oun taste decide.'

"That's how I started to smoke

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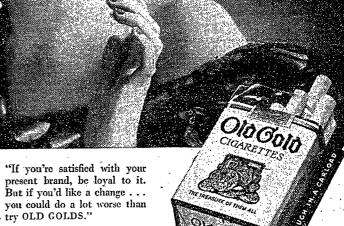
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eigarette one ought to smoke.

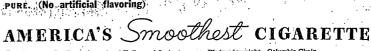
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is that lacking the evidence to sub-stantiate your remarks, you hoped to dismiss the subject merely by hurling a bit of sarcasm at the writer and in-quently, the footnote still stands. -0^{--} In the above letter the charge is (Continued on page five) ferring an insufficiency of intellect

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standard without too much worry about cash sales.

This year the magazine was not required in the classroom. Consequently, the needed circulation had to be gained by whatever effective means were available. Critics of the Bell aver that it recently lowered its standards and resorted to a not-too-literary poster campaign to increase its sales.

Granting that the criticism was justifiable and that the recent advertising campaign was tinged with sensationalism, it was made necessary by a financial condition which was certainly not improved by eliminating the Bell as a supplementary text in freshman English composition. It would greatly aid the magazine financially and also tend toward the maintainance of a higher literary standard if the College would subsidize the Bell or require its use in the classroom.

Certainly the magazine is of use there; it contains student writing which, if not excellent, is a fair sample of the capabilities of student writers. Surely the freshman is stimulated by a piece of writing composed by a fellow student as well as by something written by a recognized man of literature who often appears to the student as a kind of genius definitely beyond the realm of the freshman composition class. -J. B. B.

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