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AN IMPROVED CURRICULUM

It is a significant change that the Schools of Liberal Arts and Education are considering. It is an unchallenged fact that the bachelor of arts here was the weakest offered by the College. The proposed new plan should do much toward raising the standard.

There can be no question that the work to be offered in the freshman and sophomore years under the new plan will be much more different. Students unable to continue for more than two years will have some tangible evidence of their college attendance

It is with pleasure that the demise of several courses is noted. Hygiene, in particular, always seemed to be one of the most glorious of wasted times encountered on this campus. 'Mathematics courses, which attempted to cover three or four years' work in two semesters, will be little missed.

Underclassmen should be pleased with the introduction into their curricula of several courses previously held sacred to the two upper classes. The opportunity of pursuing these advanced subjects should be another point to be considered by prospective students, especially those who are looking for the most possible knowledge in the shortest time.

In only one sense does the plan seem incomplete. A slight compromise has been made when R. O. T. C. credits were raised from four to six for approximately 200 hours of work. But why is not this the proper time for the administration to put military training on an elective basis?

Other land-grant colleges have done this within the past few years. The curriculum is being changed. Why not strike another almost worthless course from the list of required subjects? Why not abolish compul-

The knowledge gained from charging up McCaskey's Hill certainly has little to do with raising the standards of the bachelor of arts degree. Probably the only thing it raises is the blood pressure of those compelled to take

THERE SEEMS TO BE a great deal of electioncering going on for such an insignificant post as the presidency of that questionable organization, Blue Key. When it reaches the point that all sorts of political trades are made, one wonders if newly-elected juniors are not over-emphasizing the importance of office.

AT THE NEXT MEETING of Student Union, the suggestion will be made that a small enclosure be built in the center of Recreation hall for the stags, thus allowing comparative freedom around the margin of the floor for those who, after all, come to dance.

A SUCCESSFUL ELECTION

The recent elections appear to have been one of the fairest in recent years. An alert committee acted efficiently and sternly to prevent any dishonest voting, as four cliques found when penalties of deducted votes were given.

Too much praise cannot be given to the members of the elections committee. Unquestionably, the balloting was carried on in a more efficient manner than in previous years, while the disciplinary measures were meted out impartially.

Committees of the future should consider only one point when they consider the deduction of votes. They must determine whether the individual illegally voting should be punished, or whether the penalty involves the disenfranchisement of five or six other voters who voted in all sincerity, only to find that their efforts are nullified by this subtraction.

This practice should be continued only if the committee feels that party franchisement is more important than individual rights. Then, too, it must be rememhered that the right to deduct votes may lead to grave problems were the wrong type of men to gain control of the elections committee.

OLD MANIA

We had always been under the impression that Phi Psi Frank Leffler was one of nature's noblemen that he was a really fine fellow, that in all his associations he would uphold all those fine standards that upholders of standards always uphold. But Frank has failed us. We're disillusioned.

It's all because of a post card. It's a very ordinary one-cent one except that Lef's matriculation card is pasted on the back of it. That's interesting enough, but the message is what really made us sure that Frank isn't the kind of boy we'd let play in our back yard. The document says: "Dear Mr. Leffler, This card was found, much to our surprise and disillusion regarding a senior's dignity, in the third floor bath room of Mac Hall!! Please notify through COLLEGIAN when you will visit again!! Reception will be prepared fitting to your station in life."

In capital letters, crudely yet efficiently was printed: "FRAT, NOTICE PLEASE."

We have an enitorial policy. In spite of protests from the Dean of Men, Interfraternity Council, Student Board, Jack Ryan and Jake Stark, we have decided that this campus needs more honoraries. But we have ideals. We think honoraries should be for those who have really made something in life. Therefore, to help Mr. Murtorff decide just who should pay rent for use of the 'little house north of N. L. A.,' we present, as the first of a series:

THE KAPPATALISTS

John Van Benschoten jr. '34 Ernest Julius Kaulfuss '34 George Nicholas Manukas '34 Paul Diebold Metzger '34 Edgar Eugene Nagle '34 Charles Andrew Myers '34 Albert Topham Stohr '34 Francis Arthur Stoughton '34 Charles Robert Tittle '34 Robert Wallace Brown '35 John Emmet Fletcher '35 Robert Lee Llewellyn '35 Vernon Douglass Platt '35 Lawrence Emory Madison '36 Mordecai Moore Van Zandt '36 Mason Walsh '37 Robert Altha Gans '37

Legacies William H. (Ben) Irvine '32 Hugh Ridge Riley '32 Homer Hanson Martz '35 Bill Fisher '?? Thanks, Ruth.

The Blue and White boys had quite a time at the Penn Relays. They were there, even though the officials didn't seem to realize it when they started awarding cups. The grandstand knew the Nittanymen were around, once, at least. The epic occasion marked the second baton-dropping exhibition staged in the same race by old State's warriors. Woolridge, in the half-mile relay, sort of slipped when he handed the thing to Jackson. Jackson stopped, picked it up, and ran on. That was all right. But when the speeding latter Lion repeated the performance, and dropped the thing while trying to connect Harry Sigel, people moaned. In fact, when Sigel finally picked the baton up and gazed down the track, one helpful grandstander yelled, "They went that way."

Sigel ignored the directions, though. He took his baton firmly in hand and walked down to the

They tell us that they beef at you if you're an animal husbandry man and cut classes Bill Courtney was back surveying Helen Taylor and things over the week-end Duke Morris and band freeze in the old Phi Psi house during practice the boys played in top-coats "Really, really college," Mr. -THE MANIA?



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Elections

SKULL AND BONES ELECTIONS (Unperclass Honorary Society)

> Duverney C. Book '35. John A. Brutzman '35. John R. Griswell '35. George F. Koth '35. William B. McKechnie '35. Henry K. Moulthrop '35. Burton Rowles jr. '35 Francis W. McAndrews '36. Joseph W. Bielicki '36. Pero R. Miller '36. Salvatore A. Orlando '36. William F. Sutliff '36.

PENN STATE PLAYERS James S. Norris '34 Fern A. Shoemaker '34 Joseph S. Alexander '35 Elizabeth K. Barton '35 Edith R. Cottom '35 Robert L. Grun '35

Robert L. Grun '35 Roger H. Hetzel '35 William H. Keire '35 John O. Linton '35 II. Chester McLaughlin '35 Herbert S. Manning '35 A. Catherine Miller '35 Charles Raudenbush '35 LaVerne E. Reinthoffer '34 Mildred V. Rose '35 M. Dean Ross '35 Enid A. Stage '35 Arthur L. Watmough '35 Arthur L. Watmough '35 Richard H. Allen '36 William C. Balderston '36 Wickliffe: W. Crider '36 Ellis V. Dyer '36 Conrad H. Zierdt '36

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(Senior Home Economics Honorary) N. Eleanor Baisor '35 Pauline S. Esbenshade '35 Mary C. Elliston '35 Mary E. Freeman '35 Edith M. Iffland '35 Mary A. Wesner '35

SCHOOLS SUGGEST

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tion 1, three credits; social science, three credits; survey of physical sci-ence, four cedits; Art 74, three cred-

its; a foreign language or elec-tive, three credits; R. O. T. C., one

and a half credits; and physical edu-cation, one credit.

The second semester of the fresh-man year will include English com-position 2 or 5, three credits; history elective, three credits, survey of bio-logical science, four credits; mathe-matics elective, three credits; for-eign language or elective, three cred-its; P.O. T. C. con and a half again.

R. O. T. C. Credits Increased

In the first semester of the sopho-

nore year, economics 14, three cred-

Division.

Hygiene 1 has been dropped from the curriculum and the credits for R. O. T. C. have been increased from four to six. One credit per semester has been added to the physical and biological science courses. The number of credits for graduation has been increased from 120 to 132 for the schools affected by this change.

For the bachelor of arts degree in the School of Liberal Arts, proficiency

the School of Liberal Arts, proficiency in one foreign danguage will be required. At least; six semester hours of work must be taken before the examination can be given. If the student passes the requirements he may take an elective in the sophomore year in place of the language or he may continue the language. If he fails the examination he must continue the language until he can pass the proficiency test. This new plan will not be retroactive.

Have Your Jewelry Repaired

For Juntor From at HANN'S WATCH SHOP

PARMI NOUS ELECTIONS

(Upperclass Honorary Society) Paul K. Hirsch '35.

John H. K. Houck '35. E. Dudley Townsend '35. Raymond O. Bell '36. William G. Cooper '36 J. Briggs Pruitt '36.

James H. Armstrong Carl E. Bechdel '36 Edward J. Behney '36 H. Ward Bien '36 Henry D. Brown jr. '36 James A Carson '36 James A Carson '36 John S, Cole '36 Nelson R, Creseman '36 Vernon D, Cronister '36 Cyrus Gordon '36 John L, Howarth '36 Robert D. Kelso '36 William A Kester ir, '36 Walter J, Kinsey '36 Raymond W, Kohler '36 Carl L, Miller '36 Robert R, Piatt '36 John C. Phillips '36 Evan Pollitt '36 Edward D. Rebucci '36 George E. Sperling '36 Joseph P. Swift '36 Diwood L. Vanderslice '36 Clarence V. Watkins jr. '36

ARCHOUSAL

Senior Women's Activities Honorary Elsie M. Douthett '35. Lucy J. Erdman '35.

PLANS ANNOUNCED

Dr. George F. Zook Will Speak

Scholarship Day Exercises In Auditorium May 12

Final plans for Mothers' Day

eek-end program, May 12 and 13

speaker.
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tis; a loreign language or elective, three credits; R. O. T. C., one and a half credits, and physical education, one credit.

week-and program, May 12 and 13, were announced today by Edward L. Keller, of the department of engineering extension, and secretary-treasurer of the association of parents of the position 2 or 5, three credits; history elective, three credits; history elective, three credits; foreign language or elective, three credits; foreign language of elective foreign language or elective, three credits; foreign language of elective foreign language or elective, three credits; foreign language of elective foreign state.

Opening with a breakfast for the mothers of the women students here, or the field in back of McAllisten hall, on Saturday, May 12, the program is the particular of the same of the sasociation of parents of the sasociation of the sasociati

more year, economics 14, three credits; English literature elective, three credits; science elective, three credits; sevence of the credits; not one and a half credits; and physical education, one credits, will be given.

In the second semester of this year, political science 5, three credits; English elective, three credits; science elective, three credits; foreign language or elective, three credits; science elective, three credits; foreign language or elective, three credits; R. O. T. C., one and a half credits; and physical education, one credit, will complete the work for the Lower Division.

BLUE KEY (Junior Honorary Society)

Marcia B. Daniel '35. M. Elizabeth Diffenderfer '35. Lucy J. Erdman '35.

Marion L. Foreman '35.

Enid A. Stage '35.

Claire M. Lichty '35.

Margaret W. Kinsloe '35.

Nancy W. Stahlman '35.

E. Marion Tomlinson '35.

Letter Box

To the Editor:

May I make a practical suggestion to our College political machines? A suggestion that will improve one of their political practices.

Under their present electoral sys-tem, after each voter has exercised his power of franchise, he is greeted in the vestibule of Old Main by "vote

Think of all the classes that are cut by these party checkers. Ridge Riley or Registrar Hoffman might be wisely employed to do this work. They could do it more reliably.

Spurred on by a desire of victory our present party checkers frequently falsify the check marks on some names in order to show optimistic manames in order to show optimistic majorities. Then there is severe tension between these rival checkers. Many a political fight among them has been averted by the timely appearance of a member of the faculty. Then look at it from the student elector's point of view. Is it gentlemanly for six persons to ask you simultaneously what your name is and what clique you voted for?

A peutral person could do this work

A neutral person could do this work more systematically and in a more business-like manner. Instead of three Campus and three Locust Lane "election checkers" cutting on an average of five classes a day to perform this work, this neutral party could accomplish this work.

I appeal in the name of education

and systematic business that next year a neutral checker be established. A PRACTICAL STUDENT

ETZEL TO OPEN ENGINEERING CONFERENCE HERE ON MAY 10

The fifteenth annual engineering industrial conference will be held at the Nittany Lion Inn on May 10 and 11. Speakers will consider oday's

changing trends as they affect the training of the engineer. President Ralph D. Hetzel will deliver the weloming address.

Other speakers include Dean J. W. Barker, of the College of Engineering at Columbia University; C. F. Why must each clique have a representative there to do this work?
Wouldn't it be better to hire a neutral person to check off all voters and transmit these names to both parties at the close of each day?

Think of all the classes that





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