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**The All-American Game**

Now that the All-Americans are chosen, the bowl bids are distributed, and Penn State's 1940 football season is something to read about in the record book, it is possible to consider football a bit more sanely.

This great spectator game is being thrust back to a par with other sports. The process, hastened by the development of the professional side of the sport, has been going on gradually and is likely to extend over quite a few more years.

With the football cloud past, a lot of facts are again visible that had been obscured through September, October, and November.

The surprising truth is that even a university without a football team can continue to be a university. Chicago proved this by surviving its first season without a coach and, some will say, its second without a team.

It is even true that there is no direct ratio between the strength of a college football team and the degree of its educational prowess.

Perhaps it remains true that good football teams make for busy but happy college registrars. Even high school boys, however, are discriminating when going to college. Most of them, in fact, turn to a general catalogue instead of a sports annual when they decide to select a college.

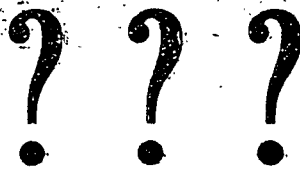
What the football team does has a very definite effect on what the alumni say and think. There, if anywhere, is the place a good team is likely to attract the most tangible returns and a bad one to draw the most discouraging mail.

A great many of the more important educational institutions have taken the stand that football should be confined to football seasons and refuse to consider post-season games. The Ivy League and the Big Nine are outstanding exponents of this policy. Penn State, although it refused what was practically a bid to the Sun Bowl, can not be placed in this class because it certainly would have given an Orange Bowl bid serious consideration had it received one.

Under President Hetzel's 14-year administration the official position of the College has been that an athlete is still a student and is to be treated as such. The effort has been to treat athletes in the same way other students are treated. In jobs, athletes are expected to give fair return for what they receive.

Of course, this does not mean that the young men who play outstanding football for Penn State just happened to come here and were not discovered until after they arrived. There is no one to keep the alumni from helping boys they want to see graduate from Penn State. If these boys are football men, so much the better for the football team. The alumni get the winning squad they want, the College is not subsidizing, and the boys are getting an education.

However, this policy, while it enables State to beat Lehigh every year, has not done the same with the Pitt game. It has avoided professionalism yet has satisfied the followers who demand a creditable showing.



**Ain't It A Shame**

Call it what you may, the Maniac, Lion's Tales, Cassius, and Campuseer, have all put this column to shame. For they have left it without a dastardly name. Nameless it shall not be!

When it replaced "Pennsylvania and Defense," this space was christened "For The Record." The following week it was titled "On The Record." Which shows you what a dither we are in.

We can't make either head or tail out of it and thus throw the ball of fire into your lap. Place yourself in our spot. Ponder over a dozen titles or so, select the best one, and then immediately—but quick—address it to "Name the Column Contest," Box 261, Boro. Or leave it with George Donovan at Student Union. He'll forward it to us just as he returns so many other articles to their rightful owners.

And here's the piece de resistance—the grand prize. Awarded to the person whose column name is selected will be an Annie Oakley (ticket) to the Poverty Ball which holds forth in Rec Hall on December 19. The hat societies (please refrain) are sponsors of the ball which aids the poor and contributes to Mrs. Hetzel's loan fund. Rex Rockwell's rhythmic band has been engaged to "beat it out."

However we want this understood. The winner will have to bring his own can of food. That's part of the admission, too. You get your entries in by Wednesday. We'll announce the victor next Friday.

**Observation**

Why doesn't the government put Elsie Rooth's picture on the dollar bill? Then you wouldn't mind kissing your money goodbye.

**A Philadelphia Story**

During Thanksgiving vacation Lou Bell was standing on Chestnut street when a panhandler approached him.

"Do you have a quarter for a cup of coffee?" the down-and-outer demanded.

"Take the other side of the street," Bell replied, "I'm working this side."

**Poetry Corner**

Ralph Taylor, the black-eyed bard of Atherton, appropriately pens:

The covers are warm  
And the snow is deep,  
I went to the window  
And took myself a peep.  
I climbed into the bed  
And went back to sleep.  
SLEEP IN!

**CAMPUS CALENDAR**

TODAY:

Registration in room 304 Old Main at 4 o'clock today for University Conference at which PS CA plays host to 80 students from colleges and universities of Middle Atlantic region.

Freshman Elections Committee, 418 Old Main, 7 p. m.

Players present "Family Portrait" in Schwab Auditorium at 8:30 p. m. Admission 50 cents.

Harvest Ball in Armory from 9 to 12. Admission \$1 per couple. Campus Owls will furnish music. Freshman customs will be off for those attending the dance.

Student Art Exhibit opens at Hillel Foundation at 8:30 p. m.

Ski Club meets in 318 Old Main, 7:30 p. m.

**PSCA Sponsors Confab For Christian Movement**

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Conference, Dr. Frank Wilson, dean of Lincoln University, and Frederick Morrow, National Ethnic Minorities Commission chairman, are some of the prominent speakers who will lead various discussion groups.

Centering its theme around "Christian Strategy for 1941," the conference will break down its panel sessions into six topics: religious power for action, minorities, constructive patriotism, social action, world reconstruction, and effective organizations and methods.

Some of the universities who will send delegates here are Pitt, Penn, Temple, Bucknell, Carnegie Tech, Drexel, Johns Hopkins, Howard, Lafayette, George Washington, Princeton, and others.

The registration fee for incoming delegates is \$2, while Penn State students and faculty will be charged only \$1 for sitting in on the discussions.

Italy has limited telegraphic correspondence with foreign countries to the Italian language and has prohibited all long distance telephone calls to such countries.

PATRONIZE LOCAL STORES

**What kind of Math do you call this?**

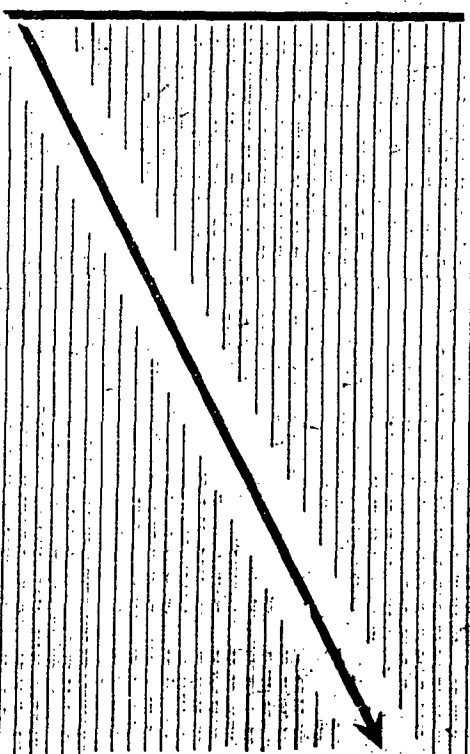
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