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The Exonian in commenting upon the college track prospects for the spring says that Penn has the best outlook for the intercollegiate considering the number of old men lost by graduation. Out of twenty-four points scored last year they have nineteen still in college.

President Wilson has announced himself decidedly in favor of the summer military camps for college students. The approval was expressed in a letter to Henry S. Drinker, president of Lehigh University and of the Society of the National Reserve Corps of the United States.

Several students were badly injured when the bleachers at the Michigan Agricultural Armory gave way, spilling over 500 people on the floor. The attendant at the head of the seats to the P. A. C. Notre Dame basketball game.

A partial schedule has been arranged for the baseball team of Kelo University, Japan, on its tour of the United States during the spring and early summer. Dates are at present being set by the Universities of Illinois and Texas.

The president's reception at Chicago was turned into an informal affair this year with "dress suit" absolutely barred.

The statue of Benjamin Franklin, by R. Tait McKenzie, is being erected on the campus at the University of Pennsylvania. It is to be dedicated on the sixteenth of June. Mr. McKenzie is an alumnus at Penn.

At the University of Montana seventy-eight percent of the men engaged in college activities are supporting themselves—Ohio State Lotton.

The Freshmen should make some arrangement with the wrestling management so that their dinner will not so nearly conflict with the Harvard meet Saturday night. The Harvard meet is the biggest of the year for the wrestlers, and since most of us are pretty sure that Tech will win, it will be well to give everybody the best possible opportunity to see the matches.

During the vacation our attention was attracted by the wide newspaper publicity given to an editorial which appeared in one of the best known college newspapers of the country, and which dealt with a subject to which many of us gave a little thought just before mid-year. The writer, with the statement that "the health is the one wholesome excuse for admission to a lower class," advocates that all men who fail to meet the college requirements for any except this reason should be dropped from college—be thrown "into the world of office floors and errand boys." It is recognized that laggards may be such voluntarily, but it is believed that the man who tries and fails is unworthy of membership in the college as he who will not even try. The editorial is of course written from a local standpoint, and the spirit displayed in it may of course be quite fitting for that particular college; but we are a little inclined to doubt the policy it propounds. It should be applied widely to colleges in general, or to a school of the particular college.

Our friends have forgotten to consider that a college education is more than an absorbing and disregarding of such facts and theories as a faculty may select. A college education should aim to bring out the highest and best that a man's character can show, and so long as this is nowhere nearly accomplished, caution should be exercised in shutting out from the advantages of the higher education men who are not especially adept in performing the absorbing and disregarding act. What our colleges should develop is men. The need of the world for men is greater than its need for brains. Ability is required in the world, but it is believed that the man who tries and fails is unworthy of membership in the college as he who will not even try.

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