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Intramural Awards

Awards made to interclass championship teams have recently reached a point of fiasco. The possibility that the "sky is the limit" slogan may be adopted in the selection of proper awards for interclass competition has aroused a group of students. A petition signed by the president and treasurer of each class has been submitted to the Board of Control of the A. T. S. A. suggesting a correction of the existing award system.

The proposal states that all awards to championship teams in intramural contests should be uniform without respect to class or to previous awards. It reasons that the custom of each class to buy awards prevented uniformity, caused confusion, placed undue emphasis upon awards, and caused unequal drains upon the class treasuries. It suggests that the A. T. S. A. make all awards for intramural contests and that the Board of Control specify the form of award for each contest and the maximum number of awards which shall be made.

The suggested amendment reads, "The Board of Athletic Control shall have power to prevent the expenditure of funds from the various class treasuries for the purpose of purchasing awards for winners of intramural contests."

We heartily endorse the proposal presented to the A. T. S. A. It seems only fair that in the spirit of "real" competition, all four class treasuries share the cost of awards. Definite awards will give a goal at which to aim. Under the present system, each member of a team may receive large statuettes after winning two games. "State's rights" objectors may argue that the proposal would take undue power from the individual class. Actually the system works equally well for all classes. An amount could be taken from each class treasury after the activity fees are paid and given to the A.T.S.A. to buy the awards.

In the proposal, no variation in awards is suggested for a team which wins an event more than once. We would suggest that two types of awards be made for each contest, one type to be given a man who competes with a winning team for a first time and a second type for the man who is on a winning team for a second year. It is unusual for a team to win an event for more than two years. If it should, a repetition of awards would not be of any harm as most medals are left | in a box at home anyway.

For events such as the tennis tourney in which competition is open to individual students without reference to class, an A. T. S. A. award would be particularly adaptable. If the affair were national in scope, we might say "write at once to your congressman," but, since it applies integrally to Armour Tech affairs, it is only necessary to advise your A. T. S. A. class representative to support the proposal.

Who Profits?

With strikes threatening on all sides, it is pertinent to review the effects of the most costly labor dispute in recent years, the General Motors strike. Who profited through prolongation of the siege? Did capital? Did labor? Did the general public? John Lewis claims a victory for labor, but it is only a surface victory from the economist's viewpoint.

The loss to capital is obvious. Each day of production lost means millions of dollars to a large corporation, and heavy losses must also be sustained by the allied plants brought to a standstill

by the strike. Neither the union nor the company can replace the millions of dollars of purchasing power forfeited by the workers in a little over a month. Workers in allied industries also lost, involuntarily, because of the strike. Defiance of property rights and of injunctions granted by the properly constituted authorities only weakened labor's popular support in wage and hour demands.

What is the position of the public? Towns depending on the purchasing power of the 137,000odd families of the workers, of whom only 17% favored the strike, were paralyzed. The public had to pay for the support of national guardsmen withdrawn from productive work to protect property. True, work is made for those who will replace damaged property, but production for mere replacement is not the kind of production needed to continue our rise to prosperity.

Terms providing return to work and subsequent collective bargaining could have been arranged by January 4 had not the United Automobile Workers of America demanded recognition as sole bargaining agency for the labor side. Labor's victory on this point only served to continue the loss to themselves and the public by encouraging further outbreaks.

Engineers are between capital and labor, but their position will always entail maintenance of efficiency and economy in production and distribution. It is agreed that workers have an inherent right to strike, but the prolonged strike caused by labor czars must be definitely opposed by engineers if losses to themselves and to the general public are to be reduced.

"Not in doing what you like but in liking what you do is the secret of happiness."

J. M. BARRIE.

The Slipstick Cleave to the slipstick; let the slapstick fly where it may.

Good morning, friends and Joe Kubert! Now, there's a joke for you. I'm writing this pillar Friday night, and I'm saying Tuesday morning is a good morning. How the deuce do I know how good a morning Tuesday will be? Here, Charles, my good man. delete the word "good." Come to think of it, how do I know that that dopey circulation manager, ZAZU will get the paper to you in the morning. He might not get it out to you at all. Charles, delete "morning!" Wait a minute now. After mentioning ZAZU, how do I know I have any friends. All right, Charles, you may delete "friends!" Well, all we have left is Joe Kubert. Go right ahead, Charles!

No wonder Eejay is soft spoken. He has to be! He lives on hush money. Did I hear any comments? All right, who called our humorist Eejay a scrounge? Voice from the basement: "Gawan, who called that scrounge a humorist?"

Salesman (beginning to unroll his samples): I'd like to show you... Merchant (emphatically): No, no I'm not interested.

Saleaman (eagerly): But couldn't I just show you... Merchant (firmly): Not a chance,

I'm not interested. Salesman (wistfuly): Well, would you mind if I looked at them myself?

I haven't had a chance to see them

for three weeks.

Good old Eejay! Those who know him (Lucky M.O.B.A.) are aware that his hair, like last year's girl friend, is rapidly slipping away. In view of his losses we present:--The burden of an ancient rhyme Is "By the forelock seize on Time. Time in some corner heard it said

Pricking his ears, away he fled; And, seeing Eejay on the road, A hearty curse on him bestow'd "What if I do the same by thee? How woulds't thou like it?" thunder

ed he; And, without answer thereupon, Seizing Eejay's forelock . . . it was

W. S. Lindor.

personality, may have a small mind, nation. His sixes look like infinity but he knows it thoroughly. He's got | signs, his eights like pretzels, and the the sort of face that, once seen, is score-board like hearl. never remembered. Zazu has one good point, though. He sees two sides to every question. His own and all set to frame Ray Starmann at the the wrong side. Zazu is having Junior Prom. Wally was to dance trouble with his girl friend. She's Starmann's date into a corner and

-Apology to Readers Digest.

made man. It just shows the horrors But the evening was not in vainof unskilled labor.

MOR-FEEN. Informal!

THE STEAM SHOVEL

After last week's session following the Junior Prom, Jimmy Dunne's girl, Pauline, has resolved to bring along a super-absorbing mop or at least a sponge. Reason: - the very slippery floor at Hoe Sai Gai's. Burp.

Who said that a professorship is a safe job? Senior statistics, compiled at Prof. Schommer's class last week, proved that John J. hiked five-eighths of a mile during one class period! And him with two pet corns!

Freddie Widell had better be looking for another job as score-keeper. His efforts at the Armour-Macomb ZAZU, THAT two mouse-power game were received with some indig-

Fred Jahnke and Wally Stuhr were kiss her while Freddy recorded the villainous deed a la photo flash. Wally waltzed himself silly while Freddy Joe Kubert claims he is a self- tried in vain to find his flash bulbs! Wally dated the girl for the Soph

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