

## EDITORIAL

## THE JOY OF ATHLETICS

The efforts of our football team surely are appreciated as was indicated by the splendid ovation that the squad received in the mass meeting last Friday evening. There eight-ninths of them were freshmen who were compelled drag us into another M. I. A. A. championship. A game is scheduled, and most of us straggle over to the gridiron and complacently sit back and watch eleven men tore it? Our classmates, friends and fraternity brothers are out on that field, not for the love of the game, but for Alma, and we a few
them by criticizing their plays and mumbling out a form unlearned yells.
Did you ever feel the warm blood trickle down your
throat-the result of a broken nose? Did you ever play in a cold, dizzling rain that chilled your bones to the marrow? And we say that they play for the fun obtained from the game. Fun-when your exposed shins are raw and bleed-
ing-exhilaration-from the sharp pains that come from ing-exhilaration-from the sharp pains that cone than a sleepless night spent in nursing a nerve exposed shoulden" How delightful it is to "keep that school-girl complexion"
by means of cleat massage. A jarring tackle, a kick in the heart, a tooth forced through your lips, being at the bottom of the pile on a frozen field-what could be more
mirth inspiring? After the game the boys moan and groan mirth inspiring? After the gavhe in their sleep. Broken all night. They must be laughing in their sleep. shoulders, broken fingers, brokenly unappreciative student to satisfy the vanity of a seemingly unapprect.
The panacea for these wounds is enthusiasm and pep. play the game by showing our boys that we are behind each move they make, by putting our whole heart and sou in Alma, by never having a re-occurrence of the
cooperation shown in Friday night's mass meeting.

HOMESICKNESS
After the warm and spirited events of last Tuesday
evening the subject of nostalgia seems to be exceedingly evening the
appropriate.

Memories of the Pajama Parades will linger long afte time has obliterated traces of other seemingly unforget able happenings, yet, after the Frosh returned to the dormitory, more than one probably displayed the symptoms of this ever prevalent disease. Initiatory ceremonies often
cause these germs to develop and the little games of "hot hand" and "tobacco gauntlet" probably added impetus not only to the speed of the receivers but to the multipliThe better part of a student's education gets under way long before the professors get to him. This training is one of the most essential and important courses in a college
career, for it teaches one to overcome and counteract the deteriorating attacks of nostalgia or homesickness. Peanut rolling and impromptu dances in nightshirts could easily cause such disorders; yet the strong man is he who
tramples on such feelings and faces about with a smile. He has passed his first examination. The one who is attentive to the dictates of this gnawing demon and allows
himself to be turned from the educational path has defeated himself at the very outset
The world demands intestinal fortitude, and there is nothing that shows a greater lack of it, nothing more dis gusting than the sight of a person peaceful submitting himself to the clutching talons of this juvenile disorder. Nostalgia is nothing more than maladiustment to new surroundings. The nervous system of an individual mus be made plastic enough to fit new situations. Non-pliability is a wrench in the mechanism of education, for adjustment rests.



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