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IN last month's LANCE there appeared a communication from an alumnus which should recommend itself to the serious thought of every student in the institution. It was a strong and earnest plea for better representation in the newspapers of the State. With all apologies to the present correspondents, it is nevertheless true that we are not represented as we should be among the great dailies and accordingly among their copies, the rural papers.

Up to within a few years years State College

was very little known outside of a radius of fifty miles, and that unfavorably; but through her football teams and "La Vies" of the last few years, and the recent handsome appropriations by which the State Government has tardily attempted to make up for the long neglect of its duty to the institution, the college has been rapidly coming more and more under the notice of the people of the State, and a large part of the old prejudice against us has worn off.

We as students, should endeavor by every means, to keep up this good work and to broaden and extend its scope as much as possible. Even waiving patriotism, it is to our own interests to have the college figure more largely in the State than it has heretofore.

The efforts many of the boys are now making to turn out a winning track athletic team, and the magnificent annual that '94 is getting out, which by the way promises to be one of the finest college annuals of the year, are strong factors in this advance. A third, yet stronger, but one that has been a great deal neglected is a wide representation in the newspapers. Nothing increases the popular esteem of a college so much as to see it in frequent and favorable mention in the columns of the dailies. It impresses the people with an idea of its importance and magnitude to an extent that no amount of reports and catalogues could. It is therefore a great pity that we have among us representatives of only two papers, and one of these not published in the State. We should have correspondents for all the great dailies, while an occasional letter to the smaller papers of the interior would not go amiss. We should let the world know all about us, our athletic prospects, our class rivalries, what our boys are accomplishing. We should let them know how the fresh blood courses through the veins of this vigorous young institu-