and the mechanical reproduction of them in various ways, but it is the power to present these facts in such a way that new concepts are formed which will show a real gain in learning. In short, it is the ability to think. When we get out into life we shall not be asked to reproduce a complicated proof in mathematics, or give the chemical composition of a certain rock, unless we specialize along that direction, but we must have acquired that mental ability that will be necessary to insure us the means to cope with the problems of life.

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We are glad to note the interest the trustees have taken in regard to the selection of new instructors. Our faculty has always been noted for its educational and teaching ability and, now, with the recent accessions, it is strengthened more than ever. The man who is called to the head of the Mining Department is of national reputation and bids fair to establish a strong department in that line. On the oratorical side of the College we have the services of a man who has been especially called to build up that part of our life and who is to give his main time to it. He has represented one of our leading institutions in inter-collegiate debating and with his special training in that line, is highly fitted to have charge of that work. His services will be particularly valuable when it comes to training for our intercollegiate debates. Of the other instructors, all have come highly recommended and no doubt will prove a strength in their respective departments. A brief biography will be found on another page.

The advent of Professor Pattee's song, "Alma Mater," last Spring and the enthusiasm with which it was received seemed to awaken other minds to such an extent that State

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