

there is a likelihood that the same interest cannot be maintained throughout the year.

For convenience we may divide college entertainments into two classes,—first those functions which are given mainly for pure entertainment or amusement, such as concerts, lectures of a humorous nature, dramatic presentations, etc., and second, lectures whose chief aim is to be instructive. Of the former we are glad to say that enough interest has been manifested in such matters that we are able to have a series of good entertainments during the winter, and several during other seasons of the year. The manner in which such courses are supported is proof that the student body appreciates these opportunities.

In regard to the second class it must be confessed that there is a great dearth of such lectures at this place, and why is it? The fault cannot lie particularly on anybody, and the only reason seems to be that no one has felt authorized to take the initiative in such a movement. It is true that the nature of our college may partly explain why no lectures on literary subjects are given here like at more classical institutions, and that support outside of the faculty and students cannot be depended upon as in towns of a larger size. But if some attempt were made to procure a few addresses on social and political subjects by some of the public men of to-day, there is no doubt that they would be earnestly patronized. There are many prominent political and scientific men who could be procured for sums within our means. The benefit of a lecture on some political or economical topic to the young man must be conceded, for it is at this age that he begins to exercise the rights of citizenship and has an interest in some of the current subjects of discussion. Our president is well acquainted with many public men and may it not be suggested that he or some other members of the faculty take an interest in such a project? We notice that our sister institution, Lehigh, a col-