

### Annual Reception.

About six hundred fellows gathered in the Armory last Friday evening at the reception to new students given by the college Young Men's Christian Association. Members of the Faculty and their wives were present, as well as many of the instructors and friends of the college. The program opened with a selection by the college orchestra, followed by an Invocation by Dr. Gill. President O. C. Hayes, '06, of the Association presided, and after the singing of "Onward Christian Soldiers," he introduced General James A. Beaver, who extended greetings to all students, both old and new, speaking in the hearty open manner that has made him ever popular with the student body.

Following Gen. Beaver's talk a double quartette from the glee club sang a selection entitled "Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup," and, being called upon for an encore, rendered the College Medley.

Reverend Mr. Heckman, Dr. Gill, and Prof. Pattee made short addresses on "The Start," "Being a Freshman," and "Manliness," respectively, which were listened to with interest and enjoyment. H. P. Dawson, '07, sang as a solo, "The Two Grenadiers," and was followed by L. B. Smith, '06, who spoke of "Our Literary Life." Captain E. G. Yeckley '06, of the football team spoke on "Athletics," and, while reticent as to making predictions for the coming season, said there was good material at hand and a strong team should be developed.

General Secretary F. E. Wilber, who has just come to the college Association made a short address, and former Secretary Woodcock, who was present, was hailed from the audience and responded in a happy manner to the welcome he received. President Atherton and Col. Woodward also spoke a few

words of welcome to old and new students.

The program of the evening was closed by the singing in unison of "Come Brothers, Raise The Song," after which followed refreshments of ice cream, cake, and coffee. and a general social time.

### 1909.

1909 is with us, and surely a more alert and neat looking bunch of Freshmen has never entered old State. In number they exceed the high-water marks reached by 1907 having over 300 men entered as against '07's 290. The spread of State's reputation is shown by the fact that the members of this class came not only from the "Peasantry of Pennsylvania," but from Porto Rico. and from other places outside of Pennsylvania as far west as Michigan. It is early yet to say how much they will contribute to the athletic and other college organizations, but both "Pop" Golden and "Paddy" Godard have already secured some good men, and when the call comes, the class will no doubt furnish good material in other lines. The religious inclinations of the class have not yet been determined but the fondness for sprinkling that some of the Freshmen have already shown leads us to believe that the Presbyterian church should secure active workers from among them.

### The "Co-op."

The Co-operative Association has installed its business in the main building basement until the store in the new hotel will be completed. The line of goods as well as the amount has been greatly increased. Thus far the association has been doing a good business, such that will warrant the securing of a store room in town. It is expected that the new quarters will be ready before the end of the winter term.

### LOCALS.

Mr. J. J. Hoblitzell, Mining, '04, is spending a few days in town.

Myron Creese, '05, who received the White Fellowship last commencement has returned to college for post graduate work.

Gray, '03, was married on September 6th to Miss Judge of Bellefonte. The honeymoon was spent in Atlantic City. Mr. Gray is in the insurance business in Bellefonte.

George M. Sellers, ex-'03, Columbia, '04, was married on August, 9th to Miss Helen Thompson, of Lemont.

Mrs. F. E. Foss, wife of Prof. Foss of the Civil Engineering Department died on Friday, August 4th.

Prof. Osmond has an article in *Science*, September, 8th 1905, on "Treatment of Simple Harmonic Motion." He believes that the method of treating this subject which is generally used leads to imperfect or false conceptions, and gives a method of obtaining the fundamental equations without the use of the "auxiliary circle."

Mr. Percy W. Flint of Charleston, South Carolina, has been appointed Assistant Chemist at the Experiment Station, in place of Mr. Arthur W. Clark, resigned.

Drill resumed last Monday afternoon.

Contrary to the usual custom the Freshmen were unmolested at their first class meeting last Friday afternoon.

### Freshmen Wrestlers.

Quite a number of Freshman athletes have turned out to prepare for the annual forcas on the mat and are now under the instruction of the '07 wrestlers. There is already an abundance of good material although it is still early, and the future may bring out more good men.