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EDITORIAL.

College opened Wednesday morning at 11 o'clock with chapel services in the Auditorium. Once more the college halls resound with heavy tread; pipes, corduroys, and jerseys are seen on the campus, and the simple student swaggers about with his hands in his pockets, trying to appear indifferent to the fact that "a weeka go at this time" he was enjoying himself at home. Once more the "Co-op" does a rushing business on stationary and Uncle Sam smiles to think of the postage revenue that he will derive from the sale of two cent stamps, while the Post Office force wishes the students would never come back. The Seniors are beginning to think with sadness (?) of the fact that they are doing some things for the last time; the Juniors are grinding Applied for examination; the Sophomores are on the lookout for that 1909 picture scrap; and the Freshmen are strutting around in their brand new class jerseys. One hundred per cent of the students are wishing the vacation had been two weeks longer, and seventy-five per

cent declare "if they had been home a week longer they would have been married." Some are looking forward with concern, others with complacency, and all with interest, to examination week. Soon the first semester will end and the second begin, and one of these fine mornings will be Commencement Day. My, how time flies.

Our good friend, Gen. Beaver, has taken the initiative in what we hope will be followed by State's students, alumni and friends. We speak of his recent gift of a set of handsome books to the library. At present our acquisitions of reading matter are not as frequent as is in keeping with the present growing condition of the college. We must have more interest shown in our library which is housed in one of the handsomest buildings obtainable. There are lots of empty shelves which need filling and there are scores of books which should at present be accompying them. We will give an extract from Gen. Beaver's letter to the Collegian, "Suppose that every alumnus and every student of the college were to send to the library even one book each Christmas, what a loving tribute it would be and how it would soon build up the library in current literature! There are many fellows, however, who, if they thought of it at all, wouldn't be content with one book and might send a set or a series, or a box that would simply overwhelm the librarian for the time. It is worth thinking about, worth discussing and worth working for. * * * If the librarians would contribute to the success of the scheme by telling you what they specially need, it would help, and, if books were duplicated, some arrangement could doubtless be made for exchanging them. If the recould be concerted action where State men congregate-say in New York, Philadelphia, Pitttsburg and the great industrial centres, to which they gravitate, it would be very easy to make up a contribution that would be of great value and be some s'ight expression of the gratitude which every man who has been there owes to his Alma Mater." The State Collegian will make arrangements with the Librarian to publish occasionally lists of books that are needed.

COLLEGE ORBIT.

William J. Bryan has given \$400 to the University of South Dakota to be used as a prize for a series of essays on government.

Purdue University has a \$40,000 appropriation for a civil engineering building, which is available on and after November, 1905.

Every class at Harvard has a Mandolin club and the University Mandolin club is composed of the best men from the class clubs.

A course in journalism has been established at the University of North Dako'a. Credit will be given to the editors of the college daily in proportion to the amount of work they do.

Three Columbia College Sophomores have been denied all college privileges, banished from the campus, and suspended for one year for hazing, in violation of the honor agreement.

A printing press has been established at Swarthmore, known as "the Swarthmore College Press." The regular college publications as well as college pamplets and books are being issued from this press.

Miss Minnetta Taylor, for years professor of romance languages in De Pauw University, speaks fluently twenty-two different tongues, is able to converse fairly well in nine others, and can read four more.