

The 1908 La Vie.

(By the Editor-in-chief)

It may be of some interest to our students and patrons to get a general idea of the nature of the 1908 La Vie. The Junior class has endeavored to make this publication a *portrait* of Penn State that will depict every sphere of its life and surroundings. It is *dedicated to the memory of our late President Atherton*, and contains a very interesting sketch of his life and a condensed history of the college from its earliest beginnings to the present time. There have been introduced, as a new feature, portraits and short sketches of eighteen alumni chosen as representative of the various departments and periods of our college history. This will portray the accomplishments of our alumni, and will show the real worth of the training given in the various courses at Penn State.

All the regular features and customs of the place are included with all the spice appropriate to appear in print. Special pains have been taken to avoid any matter that might be misconstrued in such a way as to hurt the college or convey a false impression of the place. This does not mean that we have cut out the funny side. Scores of pages are full of good natured knocking. While we have a good word for every one, there are but few students and fewer teachers who have not received special mention. A number of them have a full page devoted to their special benefit. About fifty pages are utilized under the title "Just for Fun."

There are a greater number of artistic masterpieces embodied in this work than in any other college annual of its type. It includes a photogravure of Dr. Atherton of the best type obtainable, a number of steel engravings, and a variety of work by our artists and outside patrons. This work, complete, em-

bodies a total of about two hundred subjects of hand work.

The photographic work constitutes the most complete part of this book. Photographs of all the buildings, various indoor and outdoor scenes, interesting happenings, groups, and organizations have been carefully prepared for our purpose. A total of about five hundred photos have been reduced to half-tones to make this the most complete view book of State ever published. The main feature of this department is a panoramic color plate of the campus, eighteen inches in length. This is a finished view of the campus from College avenue back, including all between the limits of the Engineering building and the residence of Dr. Welsh. The details along the avenue are carefully filled in by special work.

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