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### EDITORIAL.

Never before in the history of our college has a year's work opened with prospects so favorable. More than a thousand men for State! The enrollment as given in another column shows more than five hundred new faces on the campus, of which number approximately four hundred are in the freshman class.

To all, but especially to these new men, the Collegian bids a hearty welcome. You have already been welcomed to, and have become somewhat acquainted with the various forms of college activity. You have come to college not simply to receive a technical training which will enable you to earn a living, but to receive that broader and deeper education which will develop true manhood.

The policy of the Collegian for the coming year will be, primarily, to work for the best interests of our

college. State has a brilliant future before her; and in order that the best results may be accomplished, we must all work together.

A new departure from the usual order of affairs which promises to be a very profitable one for the entire community has been planned for the present college year. A free lecture course by men of national reputation along various lines of intellectual and practical activity will be presented under the direction of a newly organized committee. The members of this committee are: Dr. J. P. Welsh, in behalf of the college administration; Mr. David F. Kapp, representing the citizens of State College; J. S. Ritchey, for the student body; Professor Elton D. Walker; and Professor A. H. Espenshade, treasurer. Over three hundred dollars have already been pledged by members of the faculty and business men of town. An additional hundred dollars will be needed to assure the success of the movement.

These lectures will not be mere entertainments and will not take the place of anything of this nature given in previous years, but will not be rare intellectual treats of the highest standard of excellence. Every member of the college community should be interested in the success of this new movement. Much credit is due the members of the committee for their unselfish efforts to enlarge the intellectual life of the institution. A number of students have voluntarily offered subscriptions to the fund and others who care to assist in this way should see Professor Espenshade, treasurer.

In this, the first issue of a new college year, it seems appropriate

to refer to a matter which may some day be of importance to every reader of the Collegian. A number of men in last year's graduating class were heard to express a regret that they had not saved their copies of the paper as a complete record of the events of their college life. It is certain that in no way can a better record be obtained and preserved, especially if bound in substantial manner. A considerable number of men are following this plan, referring quite frequently to back numbers for information on past events. For the benefit of those who desire to have their files from previous years bound, the Collegian will make arrangements as soon as possible to secure special rates. Many improvements in the paper are planned for this year and it is hoped to make it well worth preserving. The time to start is with the first issue—now.

### Athletic Managers.

The General Athletic managership left vacant by the failure of Eberly to return to college will be filled temporarily by Harding, last year's manager, by vote of the Athletic Association. A junior is to be elected at once to assist through the basketball season and to take entire charge for the remainder of the year. Pidgeon and P. B. Bennetch are candidates for the position. In December a sophomore will be elected as assistant manager.

At the next athletic meeting several important propositions will be voted on. It has been suggested that a graduate manager be elected to direct the work of the various student managers, to approve schedules, and to have control of guarantees and agreements. The plan has also been proposed of electing at least three assistant managers for each branch of athletics, from whom the manager for the following year would be selected.