

STATE COLLEGE NOTES

The Thanksgiving dance to be given by the senior class will take place on Friday evening in the Armory. Oppenheim's orchestra will furnish the music.

At meetings of the underclasses held last week the managers of the class football teams were chosen: L. V. Stephens for 1910 and Bubb for 1911. Practice will probably begin soon.

Two very interesting and instructive lectures were delivered by Dr. Oswald Schreiner of the U. S. Bureau of Soils during the past week. His subject, "The Influence of Organic Compounds on Plant Life," was of great interest to agricultural and forestry students and were well attended.

The college has purchased 197 acres of land known as the Edmiston farm adjoining the northern side of the present property. This will enable extended agricultural work to be undertaken, and will provide space for the planting of a large apple orchard to replace that destroyed to make room for the new athletic field. The campus and farm lands now consist of nearly 600 acres.

The Stevens Institute Indicator for October contains an article by Prof. A. J. Wood of the M, E. department. It is entitled 'A Study of the Heat-Losses in a Gasoline Engine,' and was also presented as a paper before the Ithaca meeting of the Association for the Advancement of Science. The tests were made on the 5 H. P. Otto engine in the Engineering building. The Entropy-Temperature diagram in connection with the article is an original idea of Prof. Wood. He has also included some results of tests forming part of the graduation theses of W. H. and C. H. Williams '06, and M. N. Lower '06.

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