with the library and auditorium Gen. Beaver called attention to this greatly needed addition to the college in his letter in the late alumni number. What alumnus can start the fund for this great hall with a contribution of \$25,000? Such a contribution, with two or three of \$10,-000 each to follow, would make it an assured success. Will not some of our large-hearted and heavypursed alumni take the matter up? The columns of the Collegian are open for the discussion of this subject. Surely it ought to be done. Just as surely it can be done.

## Dr. Sparks Will Lecture.

The second lecture in the Free Lecture Course will be delivered in the Auditorium on Thursday evening, January 23, by Dr. Edwin Erle Sparks, president-elect of the college. The subject of his address will be "Robert Morris, the Unknown Patriot." Dr. Sparks needs no commendation or introduction to a State College audience. Within the past few years he has delivered several lectures here, and all who have heard him are enthusiastic in his praise. His reputation as a public speaker and as an historian, together with the fact that he will soon take up his important work among us, ought to insure a large audience from the faculty, the stu dents, and the townspeople.

All seats are free. Doors will be open at 7:30. The lecture will begin at 8 o'clock.

Some time in February Professor H. H. Stoek, of Scranton, Pa, editor of Mines and Minerals, and formerly a member of the faculty of the Pennsylvania State College, will lecture on an engineering subject. The date and subject will be announced later.

Dr. Robert Ellis Thompson, President of the Central High School of Philadelphia, and well known as a popular lecturer on edu-



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catinal. economic, and historical subjects, has also agreed to lecture before the college on Saturday even iug, March 14.

## To State Men Interested in Chess.

Our chess club has held no meeting this fall. The college chess match between Cornell, Pennsylvania and Brown, just won by Reidel of Cornell, quite likely has aroused the interest of State chess players. There is no reason why State should not have a strong chess team and take her part with credit in college chess matches. In Prof. Gage we have player of more than ordinary ability and there are many

other strong players in State College. The Secretary will announce soon a meeting of the Club and it, is, hoped, now that the fall games are over, that all chess players will respond.

> H. Freeman Stecker, president. The Thespians.

This season the "Thespians" will appear in a popular college play entitled. "The Toastmaster." The club has planned to take a trip about the time of the Easter vacation and will begin practice immediately after the examinations. The itinerary includes Bellefonte, Tyrone, Harrisburg, Chambersburg, and Lewisburg.

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