

State, third, Distance, 41 feet, 7 inches.

Pole vault—Won by Zink and Maurhoff, qualifying. Height, 9 feet.

High jump—Won by Fuller, Syracuse; Thompson, Syracuse, second; Mathers, State, third. Height, 5 feet, 1 inch.

Hammer throw—Won by Horr, Syracuse; Dunn, State, second; O'Meara, Syracuse, third. Distance, 141 feet 10 1-2 inches.

Broad jump—Won by Child, State; Wisner, Syracuse, second; Mathers, State, third. Distance, 19 feet, 6 1-2 inches.

Discus throw—Won by Horr, Syracuse; Dunn, State, second; O'Meara, Syracuse; third. Distance, 128 feet, 7 inches.

Points scored—Syracuse, 72; State, 53.

#### COLLEGE NOTES.

The students rooming in the dormitories are well pleased with the all-night service which was installed a few days ago. The students have in return pledged themselves to discontinue the use of coal oil lamps, to turn off the lights when not in use, and to make no changes in wiring or electric fixtures without proper authority.

The lecture last Friday evening on the work of the Carnegie Institution by Dr. R. S. Woodward was both interesting and instructive. Few people realize the magnitude of the work carried on by the Institution in all parts of the world. Dr. Woodward took up the explanation by departments and brought in many interesting facts about the laboratories and stations maintained by the Institution.

A chapter of Phi Delta Sigma, an upper class fraternity, was installed at the College on last Friday evening, the initiation being in charge of the Bucknell chapter. The members include men from eight of the present fraternities in college.

The sophomores and freshmen will play a baseball game on Monday of Commencement week.

#### Open Letters.

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To the Editor:—

Again our attention has been called to the excellent work of our debating team, and for the second time in three years State holds the championship of the league,—a record unequalled in the previous history of the College. For a long while it was claimed that State, being largely a technical institution, could not favorably compete with teams from literary institutions, and that we could not put forth a debating team that would be a credit to the institution as are our athletic teams. However, recent history shows that this assumption was wrong, for within three years State has risen from last to first place in the league, having within that time won two championships, a record unequalled by any other college in the league.

In view of the good work done by these men, should there not be some encouragement offered in order that the work may continue? We present to the proficient members of athletic teams something to reward them for the work done, and by doing so stimulate the cause of athletics. Now I do not wish to detract one whit from the cause of athletics, but is it fair that one student should work for months, and in some cases for every year throughout his college course, preparing an intercollegiate debate, and while doing so deprive himself of many college pleasures, and in the end receive no reward for what he has done? If athletic contests, in which brawn is pitted against brawn, bring distinction to our college, why should not intellectual contests, for the development of which educational institutions were primarily established, bring equal renown?

While it is impracticable to award the "S" for any except athletic proficiency, yet some other suitable award might be made. In some institutions the wearing of the college seal, on a jersey or cap, is restricted to members of the debating team, while other institutions provide suitable medals. There is no reason why a similar custom should not be adopted here. In case medals should be awarded the cost could readily be met from the treasuries of the four classes, or by the Alumni Association, as is the custom in some of the eastern colleges.

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#### The Annual Flag Scrap.

Last Saturday morning being the first Saturday of May the Freshman class raised its flag on the regulation pole and, in accord with the established time rule, stood ready at 6 a. m. to defend its colors against the onslaughts of the attacking Sophomores. The scene of the battle was the drill field in the rear of McAllister hall. In spite of the fact that few of the participants had eaten any breakfast before coming out, the knights of the green lid ungratefully refused to partake of the nourishment offered them in the large number of small packages so tastefully gotten up by their guardian angels. At the beginning of the scrap they stood with heads bowed and eyes closed to the beautiful and impressive scene which surrounded them while the storm of flour, lamp black, sulphur, and calcium oxide came on in generous proportions. The Sophomores improved their opportunity as best they could, and in the flour rush succeeded in landing several men near the pole by throwing them over the solid mass of heads and shoulders. The freshmen however were about ten layers deep and two high around the pole, and seemed unwilling to permit any extended use of their upper extremities as a