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## THE BIG PARADE

### Great Celebration of the Arrival of President Sparks.

On Wednesday morning, May, 13, the several departments of the College celebrated the arrival of our new President by giving a fantastic parade, led by the cadet regiment. College exercises were suspended in the morning for the event.

At 9.30, Captain Hay took advantage of the drill to review the regiment preparatory to the inspection of this week. After this, the cadets marched in column of squads to the grandstand where they swung into the road in the rear of the band.

The band led the triumphal march out to Allen street and then passed down in front of the reviewing stand which was placed before the Auditorium. The cadets marched past in column of platoons and made an excellent appearance with their line extending fully three hundred yards. The band swung into the road between the Auditorium and the Main building and thus was able to play for the entire parade to pass in review.

Immediately following the regiment was the athletic department, represented by the baseball team holding their bats at "carry arms," and wearing small pennants in their caps. They were followed by the representatives of the Agricultural department who placed in line almost every animal that Noah saved in the ark. A practical example of sterilized milking was given before the reviewing stand. A splendid example of "sowing wild oats" was given by one of the Agricultural students.

The Chemistry department introduced itself by displaying a banner which was printed "Swamp's Angels." This was followed by a float which bore various chemical mixtures and utensils and a furnace from which issued dense clouds of chemically pure Pittsburg smoke, imported for the occasion. It is needless to remark, perhaps, that a characteristic chemistry building odor pervaded the atmosphere immediately surrounding the wagon.

The Jolly Electricals then followed in characteristic attire. "Seedy" Preston made an excellent telegraph pole, although the cross arm had an angle of lag of ninety degrees, thus making a low power factor which prevented the miniature power plant immediately following from properly lighting up the switchboard pilot lamps. The gong, however, did good service.

The departments of Mathematics and Philosophy were conspicuous in the parade because each had 100 per cent of their men in line. The Civil department was ably represented by a frontier surveying corps, and Weigle as chef of the camp wagon certainly showed evidence of having received training in our Home Economics department.

The department of Forestry had an excellent float covered with trees, and showed some scientific wood-sawing, possibly more scientific than practical.

The Mechanical display was very creditable. Besides several hot air engines they had the big steam

roller in the parade and gave an exhibition of forging while passing the reviewing stand.

The Miners were represented by a typical display consisting of a mine car drawn by a team of mules, followed by a strong delegation of men.

One of the unique features of the parade was the first car of the Not Any Traction company, which is building a line from Bellefonte to the College and hopes thereby to raise the social life at State. This first car was received with wild cheers.

Dr. Sparks and the Deans of the departments were on the reviewing stand and all expressed themselves as being well pleased with the ingenuity of the students.

### Commencement Week Program.

FRIDAY, JUNE 12

8.00 p. m. The Pharsonian Minstrels

SATURDAY, JUNE 13

2.30 p. m. Baseball game, Bucknell vs. State

7.45 p. m. Concert by the Musical clubs

9.45 p. m. Sophomore play

SUNDAY, JUNE 14

10.30 a. m. Baccalaureate sermon by the Rev. J. K. McClurkin, D.D., pastor of the Shadyside U. P. church, Pittsburg

4.00 p. m. Cadet Band sacred concert on the front campus

6.10 p. m. Open air Y. M. C. A. meeting

8.00 p. m. Sacred concert

MONDAY, JUNE 15

10.00 a. m. Baseball game, Sophomores vs. Freshman

1.00 p. m. Review of the corps of Cadets on the east campus