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State's First Groff Day.

It is worthy of note that the two largest schools of learning in Pennsylvania centered their interest on Canton Christian College on the same day. While State College was celebrating her first Groff Day with characteristic State spirit, the University of Pennsylvania had set aside two days to consider the social, political, and religious questions of the Far East. Robert E. Speer, Dr. Cadbury, a Penn man who sails shortly for the Pennsylvania Medical School in Canton (this is in connection with the Canton Christian College,) and other prominent laymen spoke. Provost Harrison presided and the meetings were well filled.

State can feel encouraged with the very creditable showing on last Sunday. The auditorium was decorated with the American flag, State banners, and a large Chinese flag sent for the occasion by the Chinese Ambassador to this country, while a missionary map of the world emphasized the international character of the day. From the reading desk hung the '07 pennant—Groff's college class. Brief addresses were made by Marsh '09, Acheson '09, and Ogilvie '10, and Armstrong '10, sang a solo. The first student secretary, Woodcock, read the lesson and Dr. Gill led in prayer. General Beaver presented missions from the State man's standpoint in a forceful address.

Eight hundred and fifty dollars was subscribed for the "Groff Fund" and it is confidently believed the amount will reach a thousand dollars in a few days. It may not be many years before State College

will be sending men and means for the support of Pennsylvania State Agricultural and Engineering School in Canton, China.

The Thespian Cast.

The Thespians have selected as their play this year the comic opera "Popocaterpillar" which was produced by Cornell Masque last year and played very successfully at Albany, Rochester, Syracuse, Buffalo, and Ithaca. The scene is laid in the ancient Aztec country in Mexico. The play is full of song hits and the costumes, which are being rented from Cornell, are very gorgeous.

The cast has been chosen as follows:

King Popocaterpillar VII. W. G. Child
Monte, Prime Minister. C. Henry
Queen. Open
Doralan, Princess. H. P. Armstrong
Cortan, Lord High Chamberlain. J. W. Loose
Hans, a German Scientist. Hassler
Gretchen, His Daughter. Von Senden
Jack, a Lieutenant in U. S. N. Foster
Bill, A Young American. Piolett

The chorus will be chosen from the following men: Bloom, Sadler, Purcell, Polack, Bedale, Waha, Ross, Turner, Clay, Keith, Westcoat, Johnson, Armsby, Smith and Hogentogler.

The play will be given here on April 19; at Bellefonte April 20; Huntingdon April 21; Johnstown April 22, and Altoona April 23. Efforts are being made to arrange dates for Harrisburg, Danville, and Wilkes-Barre.

Prof. F. L. Pattee has consented to give a short lecture tonight at seven o'clock in the old chapel on Shakespeare's "Merchant of Venice," the play that the Ben Greet company will give Saturday afternoon.

A Fast Contest with Swarthmore.

Swarthmore's 25 to 20 victory here last Friday night was the first defeat suffered by our team on the Armory floor since January 1907, when Lehigh accomplished the feat in a well-played game. When Allegheny College appeared here three weeks ago, it was the consensus of opinion that the Meadville five had played the fastest game seen here up to that time; but Capt. Griffin's team went them one better. From beginning to end there was no let-up in the enthusiastic cheering and the visitors received a full share of applause for their good work.

Blythe shot the "basket" which put us in the lead at the end of the first half, which closed 11 to 9 in State's favor. The fighting was nip and tuck all the way as was indicated by the exhausted condition of the players at the end of this period.

When the White and-Blue had scored eighteen points to Swarthmore's thirteen early in the second half, our team seemed to have the better of the argument. Then Eberle brought the ball down the floor again and again on fast dribbles, Gilchrist secured several seemingly "lucky" scores from field, and before the students scarcely had time to realize the defeat, manager Lindemuth blew his whistle and the score stood 25 to 20 against us. The second half was somewhat marred by several senseless and useless protests by the Swarthmore captain, but the easterners played the best kind of basketball right through the game. After its close there was a forcibly expressed sentiment on the part of all the players and students that we should beat