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**EDITORIAL.**

The establishment of a "Senior Seat" on the campus will surely be appreciated by every present senior and by every underclassman when he becomes a senior. Everybody should enforce the custom that to sit there is a sacred privilege for the senior year only. It will be a handy lounging place between classes, and on warm evenings in the fall and spring ought to be very popular. Here the seniors can gather for their informal meetings or class meetings and sing songs or smoke their pipes. It will surely bring back many fond memories in the years to come.

**Our Appropriation.**

Announcement was made in the newspapers last week of an appropriation for State College

amounting to \$530,000 but the actual amount was \$525,999.76, a cut of \$250,000 from the amount given by the legislature. The items of the bills are given below.

Agricultural department, \$170,786.00; department of Natural Science, \$43,449.00; Engineering department, \$169,050.00; Mines and Metallurgy, \$29,867.00; Home Economics, \$9,368.00; Heat, Light, Water and Power, \$57,377.00; improvements in Heat, Light and Power, \$10,842.00; insurance, \$4,720.76; repairs, \$21,000.00; Animal Nutrition, \$4,000.00; Carnegie Library, \$2,500; Military instruction, \$3,000.

Our total appropriation in 1907 was \$463,330 which shows that our increase is only about \$62,000. With the rapid growth this institution is experiencing, a far greater increase should have been made. We will hope for better in 1911. The University of Pennsylvania received a cut of \$280,000 and the University of Pittsburg a cut of \$76,000.

**The Orchestra.**

State College did a great injustice to the members of the orchestra by the poor support at last Friday's concert. The college has never had such a large and capable organization as this one, nor had an orchestra ever before taken a trip to advertise the college, yet the students were conspicuous by their absence. The program was a very difficult one, but was rendered in an easy and confident manner under the leadership of R. H. Allport. The Nocturne from Mendelssohn's Spring Song, the Hungarian Lustspiel, and numbers by Victor Herbert, Schwanenka, and Bierot were favorites on the program, with Meissner's violin Concerto as a feature. The program was, indeed, excellent and was worthy of a full house.

The seniors play the freshmen tomorrow. Start the game early.

**Commencement Address.**

The college is unusually fortunate this year in securing for the Commencement address Julian Kennedy, A. M., Ph. D., of Pittsburg. Mr. Kennedy was graduated from the Sheffield Scientific School of Yale in 1875 and for more than thirty years has been consulting and contracting engineer with the great industrial plants of the United States. He has invented and improved many devices connected with the manufacture of iron and steel, and has made many valuable contributions to engineering literature. During his service as General Superintendent of the Homestead works he made an extensive study of the industrial conditions, which, with the observations formed since, will make his address of exceptional value.

**Date of Inspection Advanced.**

According to a telegram received by Captain Hay, Captain Lenihan, the inspector for this year, will be here not later than May 26. The inspection, which will probably take place during the afternoon of the 26th and the morning of the 27th, will be very much like that of last year: Escort of the Colors; Regimental Review, followed by Inspection; drill by each battalion; drill by each company, and a Dress Parade.

**New Rifle Range.**

The military department is arranging for a rifle range on the golf links at the Mitchell farm. A strip of ground 40 feet wide is available for the purpose, and the range will be 500 or 1000 yards long. It will have the most modern equipment, and will equal the government ranges. Captain Hay expects to have it completed in time to hand it over in perfect condition to his successor.

The interclass baseball championship will be decided this week.