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## DEATH OF DR. LEONARD A. BLUE.

**Was Prominent Educator and Authority on Pedagogy, Since 1912 Dean of State College.**

It is our sad duty to report in this, our first, issue the death of Dr. Leonard A. Blue, since 1912 the dean of State College. Dr. Blue died at 11 o'clock on the morning of August 18th at his home in this city. He had been ill but a few weeks, apparently from a complete breakdown caused by too close an application to his duties and study.

Dean Blue was regarded as one of the leading educators of the day. He had received a thorough collegiate training and was looked upon as an authority on pedagogy. He was an indefatigable worker, a zealous student, a man of profound learning and exceptional ability; as a lecturer and instructor he was brilliant and scholarly. He was an active leader in the Trinity M. E. church and Sunday school and president of the Trinity Bible class.

Dean Blue was a native of the state of Iowa. He received his early college training at Cornell, from which institution he graduated as a Ph. B. in 1892 and as Ph. M. in 1893. After leaving Cornell he entered the University of Chicago as graduate-student. Later he went to the University of Pennsylvania, where he was awarded his Ph. D. in 1902.

Dr. Blue began his pedagogical career in the west as professor of Political and Social Science in Iowa Wesleyan University. Later he was made a Fellow in Political Science, University of Pennsylvania; Professor in Morningside College, Sioux City, Iowa; Professor in Goucher College; Fellow by courtesy, Johns Hopkins University; Honorary Fellow, Clark University, and since 1912 Dean of our own State College for Teachers.

At the time of his death Dean Blue was 47 years old. The funeral services took place  
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## SEVEN NEW MEMBERS ON FACULTY

### New Head of Commercial Department.

As is commonly the case this new college year brings with it several new faces among the faculty. The unprecedented growth of the college during the last year and the existence of vacancies made an exceptional large number of appointments necessary, there being seven new members to get acquainted with. Hard as it is for anyone starting in a new place to adapt himself to the new conditions and environment, we are confident that State College spirit will soon make all new faculty members feel at home here, and like a full-fledged member of our family.

### Miss Mary E. Cobb New Librarian.

The grinds will soon discover a new face in the library. Miss Mary E. Cobb will be there daily to look after their need and that of the library, and anyone looking over her experience and preparation can't doubt her fitness for that task. Miss Cobb graduated from Syracuse University in 1912, whereupon she entered the New York State Library School to specialize in library work, graduating from that institution in 1914. She gained her practical experience on the staff of the New York State Library 1913-15, and in the Brooklyn Public Library 1915-16, she having had charge in the last named place of the children's department, including home visiting and working in co-operation with the teachers.

### Dr. J. V. De Porte New Instructor of Mathematics.

The Mathematics Department, too, has new blood in its ranks, Dr. J. V. De Porte having been engaged as instructor. Dr. De Porte earned his A. B. degree at the University of Oklahoma in 1912. He came east for his postgraduate work, entering first Princeton, where he received his A. M. in

1914, and then Cornell, receiving there his Ph. D. in 1916. At Cornell he was also engaged as Instructor of Mathematics, so that he comes here well qualified to fill the position awarded him.

### Professor George M. York, New Head of Commercial Department.

Professor George M. York, who is to have charge of the Commercial Department, is a graduate of Colgate University 1907, at which institution he earned his A. B. degree. Previous to his course at Colgate he graduated from the Toledo Business College, Toledo, Ohio, and later took postgraduate work at New York University. He has a rich and varied business and teaching experience, having been chief clerk for the Toledo & Ohio Central Railway Co., and a salesman for two years. When Professor York first took up teaching, he filled a position as head of the Commercial Department of the Public Schools of Waterloo, N. Y. He remained there for two years when he was called to Ithaca, where he acted in a similar capacity. After being the head of his department in Ithaca for three years he accepted a position at White Plains, N. Y., where he became the director of the business course in the high school. From White Plains he comes to State College, a welcome addition to our faculty.

### Dr. Arthur K. Beik to Assist Dr. Painter.

Students will be interested and glad to hear that the generally crowded condition of the various psych classes will be somewhat eased by the appointment of Dr. Arthur K. Beik as Assistant Professor to Dr. Painter. (No more going to class early to avoid the rush in this department anyway.) Dr. Beik received his early training at Grinnell Academy, Iowa, graduating from that school in 1904, and entering

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## Largest Freshman Class in History of the College

**Crowded College Means That Scholarship Test May be Given to all Candidates for Entrance in Future.**

The phenomenal growth of State College has received no check this year. On the contrary, it seems as if it has gained added impetus. This year's entering class has outstripped any of former years in respect to numbers. Up to Monday morning 330 applications for entrance had been received, and it is a safe guess that by the time the college has been opened and classes are well under way this number will have been far surpassed. A remarkable feature, and one that comes as a good omen, is the presence of over 60 men among the candidates for entrance. The proportion of the men in the college has been growing steadily with every new class. From about 10 to 1 in the girls' favor only a very few years ago, it has now reached the 5 to 1 mark. There are now in State College students from every county in the state and our number of students from other states is also increasing as well as the number of the states represented here. At present there are people enrolled from Massachusetts, Vermont, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Maryland, Connecticut, and Michigan.

While this ever increasing influx of new students is evidence of the good reputation our college is enjoying and a flattering testimonial to its excellent management and its efficient faculty, and as such should be welcomed, yet it is rapidly bringing on a serious problem, which to cope with, the authorities have already made plans. That is the problem of accommodating a studentbody that is fast outgrowing its present quarters. The trustees of the college are hoping to add more land to the college grounds and to enlarge, in that way, building facilities. In the meantime, however, Dr. Brubacher is introducing, in an  
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### To the Faculty, Alumni, and Students of the New York State College for Teachers.

The Committee on Publishing a Weekly Newspaper respectfully submits to you this, the first issue of the State College News, opening thus, we believe, a new chapter in the history of State College. To the many who have been entirely unaware of the coming of this journal and to those who do not clearly understand its mission we direct this message.

This great United States of ours was once a small nation. With a steadily increasing population the boundaries of civilization were gradually extended, until at last the Republic reached from ocean to ocean. But the growth of the nation presented a possible danger, a danger that was threatening the very life of the country—the danger of a crumbling nationalism, the danger of a growing sectionalism, the danger, therefore, of a country divided, of a nation falling apart.

Then, almost at the crisis, in the march of progress came influences that revolutionized the whole political and economic status of the Republic. The rails of the railroads and the wires of the telegraph and telephone were stretched across the fields, the hills, and the rivers of the land, from the East to the West, from the North to the South. These bands of metal bound together the extremes of the country, one with the other, making the heterogeneity, into which the nation had grown, a solid unit. These modern agencies of communication brought the millions of our country into direct touch with one another—made the whole nation a single political and industrial family.

This great State College of ours was once a small college. With a steadily increasing number of students, courses and activities were gradually extended, until to-day the boundaries of the student-life inclose stretches reaching from the Chemistry Club to the Promethean Literary Society, from the Athletic field to the Auditorium, from the Library to the Gymnasium, from the Senior to the Freshman, and so on, from one extreme to the other, touching upon scores of independent groups, each with a different interest and none visibly connected with another. The close observer must discover now the presence of that same threatening danger in our student-life, which history shows to have once existed in the United States—a decided trend toward sectionalism and away from centralization. We have by no means reached a crisis, but there is a great need for some means by which there can be brought to bear upon our student body a similar influence to that which is being exerted upon the nation by the railroads, the telegraph, and the telephone. There has arisen a need for a means of bringing each extreme of our student life into direct touch with the other, of making this heterogeneity into which we have grown a solid unit, a single collegiate family. What better means than a newspaper, such as the State College News, to achieve the desired results?

In it will be pictured with insistent regularity and in installments quickly following one another, the history of each unit of our college life. In its columns you will feel the pulse beat of the student body. It will be as a mirror standing at an angle, into which a body peering will not see his own, but rather the image of another.

Thus do we launch this journal on its course, with every confidence that it fills a long felt want, and that its policy: to make each faction of our student organization know and appreciate all others, to uphold the maintenance of fraternal regard and friendly rivalry among all, to work for co-operation between all sections and for the solidification of the now separately wasted energies in the promotion of a real, distinct, and enthusiastic spirit of loyalty to State College, will in time do much toward placing the record of our achievements outside of the classroom on a plane in keeping with our standing as America's leading teachers college.

(Signed) The Committee of the Class of 1918, on Publishing a Weekly College Newspaper.

ALFRED E. DEDICKE, Chairman.

### Dr. Blue.

We will not here attempt the praise of a man whose record of achievement in the educational world in general and in our own State College in particular is an everlasting testimonial to the rare ability that was his. Rather will we try to console the heavy loss State College has sustained by his death with the knowledge that Dean Blue, to use his own words in his farewell message to the class of 1916, "recognized the high privileges and the great responsibilities and opportunities of his profession and entered upon them humbly and confidently; that he rendered loyal and efficient service in whatever position he found himself; that he contributed much to the richest treasures of humanity and exalted anew the name of teacher."

For the benefit of those who are not fully familiar with the actual events so far comprising the history of the "News," we will give a brief outline of the same.

On Moving-Up-Day last spring the Sophomore class, it being the class of 1918, presented as its "stunt" an allegory, the object of which was to show the advantages of the introduction into college life of a weekly newspaper. The idea happily concurred with a plan President Brubacher had in mind and as a result the then President of 1918 was called into Dr. Brubacher's office and given authority to publish a college weekly. The idea to be carried out was that 1918 was to provide for a committee on publishing a college weekly newspaper; that this committee was to have charge of the first issue and of all succeeding issues, until, with due deliberation, it could appoint from the college an efficient board of editors, reporters, etc., to take charge of the publication. In following these instructions one important provision was made, that the board should be so constituted, that beginning the year of 1917 to 1918 the Editor-in-Chief would be a Senior and that always, thereafter, only a Senior could hold that office. There are to be no elective offices, each member of the board being appointed by the committee, according to merit only. The merit system of appointment is to be used permanently.

To make a long story short, the President of 1918 appointed a committee with himself as chairman and as a result of their labors the State College News is here to-day. The names of the members of the committee will be found at the head of the editorial columns.

Lest someone get the impression that this is a class paper, be it "emphatically emphasized" that this is not the case. It is being published temporarily by a class, but it is a paper representative of the whole college.

A word about finances. It is hardly necessary to state that money is needed to run this paper. The subscription price is \$1.50 per year for which you will receive about 34 issues. Look through this one; judge it fairly and you'll have to concede it's a fair beginning. See one of our numerous subscription agents now; they'll be glad to furnish you a receipt.

**WEDDING BELLS FOR FACULTY MEMBER.**

Dr. Harold W. Thompson of English Department Weds Miss Jean Alma Saunders, Bride the Daughter of Professor Samuel J. Saunders, a Member of Hamilton College Faculty.

The following, taken from a local daily, will be of interest to all:

"Professor Harold W. Thompson of Albany, son of Mrs. Katherine Thompson, and Miss Jean Alma Saunders, daughter of Professor Samuel J. Saunders, were married Sept. 6th at Hamilton College chapel, Clinton, by Dr. M. Woolsey Stryker, President of Hamilton College, and the Rev. George L. MacClelland of Jamestown. All members of the bridal party were college graduates. The bride was gowned in white georgette crepe and duchess satin; embroidered in pearls, and carried a shower bouquet of white roses.

"The maid of honor was the bridegroom's sister, Miss Helen Thompson of Westfield. She wore a gown of blue and gold chiffon and carried sunburst roses. J. S. Plant, Hamilton '12 of Philadelphia, was best man. The ushers were Charles B. Thompson, Hamilton '13, Harrisburg, Pa; Dr. George Conwell, Princeton '05, Albany; Harold Cooper of Albany, and Stewart Saunders, brother of the bride, Hamilton '17. Peter Chase, a son of Professor Chase of College Hill, was ring bearer, Windsor Phillips of Westfield was at the piano and Lawrence Diek of Utica, tenor of the First Presbyterian Church of Albany, sang 'Du bist die Ruh,' by Schubert.

"About two hundred guests attended the wedding. The double ring ceremony was used. The church presented an attractive appearance with its decorations of blue and gold and ground pine. A reception followed at the home of the bride's father, College Hill. The bridal party was assisted in receiving by the bridegroom's mother, who wore wistaria satin and black net. Mr. and Mrs. Saunders left for an extended wedding trip and when they return will reside at 566 Myrtle Avenue. They will be at home after November 1.

"Professor Thompson was  
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**NO CHANGE IN SCHEDULE OF CHAPEL EXERCISES.**

First Meeting Thursday, at 9 A. M., Should be Attended by All.

Attendance at Friday Assemblies is Compulsory.

There will be no change in the schedule of chapel exercises this year. As heretofore they will be held regularly the first four mornings of each week at the usual hour, 9 A. M. The attendance at these first four meetings of each week is not required, but left entirely to each student's own discretion. However, you are urged to attend as always there is a chance that your absence means you are missing some announcement you may want to know about. Your presence at the first exercises, to be held Thursday, October 5th, at 9 A. M., in the auditorium, is especially urged, for at that time many very important announcements will be made, which you can not afford to miss. The attendance at the meeting on every Friday of the college year is compulsory. On these mornings there will be special features for the benefit of the student body, largely in the nature of addresses and lectures by members of the faculty and other prominent men on topics of common interest.

**INDUSTRIAL DEPARTMENT.**

Important Meeting in Science Building, Thursday After General Meeting in Auditorium.

All students taking Industrial and Manual Training courses and those taking Domestic Science, Domestic Arts and Home Economics courses will meet in Room 161, on the lower floor of the Science Building, on Thursday morning, October 5th, immediately after the dismissal of the general exercises for all students which is to be held in the audi-

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**HELP NAME THIS WEEKLY**

Fill Out Coupon Printed Below.

The Committee on Publishing a College Weekly has experienced some difficulty in naming the paper. We have thought of every name imaginable but have not been able to agree on any one so far. It was therefore suggested that we give the student body and the faculty a share in this responsibility. The suggestion was accepted and as you see has borne fruit. This is not the committee's paper. It is of and for the college, of and for the faculty, and for the students. Why then should the committee do the naming? There is no reason why it should.

Therefore, faculty and students, we ask you to assist us in this labor of love. If you have a happy idea, if you can suggest some original name which to dub this journal, cut out the coupon below, fill in the blank spaces and drop it in the "News" box in the lower hall. The coupon will bring you no premium, we have not reached that stage as yet, but it will bring you the satisfaction of knowing that you have once more done your little share for the good of the college.

If you can not think of any original name, perhaps "State College News," the temporary name we have given our sheet, suits you. If so, or if you favor some other common newspaper name as Sun, Press, Gazette, Courier, etc., put it down, drop it in the box, and if you care to, jot down a few lines telling us why.

All suggestions will be carefully considered by the committee which will act on this matter either with its present number or with the aid of one or two faculty members. Action will be taken on Thursday, October 12th, so that all coupons must be in before that day.

**Regulations Covering Your Business With Dean Pierce's Office.**

Office hours for all students are 9.30 to 11.30 each morning, except Saturdays, and students are requested to confine their business with Miss Pierce to those hours, unless emergencies require calling upon her at other times.

In case of illness, Saturdays or Sundays, or any other special need, telephone Main 3058 M.

*What to do in Case of Absence.*

Last year a number of students seemed to experience some difficulty in interpreting the rules governing cases of absence. In order to make them clear every student should study them now. Do not wait until the actual need arises. For this reason we are publishing the rules below:

All absences are classed under three groups.

Group I—Excusable absences.

1. For illness vouchered by a doctor's certificate.

2. For death or serious illness in student's immediate family, vouchered for by a doctor's certificate.

3. For substitute teaching when arranged and approved by the college.

Group II—Recognized reasons for cuts.

1. Railroad, trolley or highway blockaded by storm or flood, or interrupted service of train or trolley outside of student's power to overcome.

2. Illness not serious enough to need a doctor.

3. An approved athletic schedule vouchered for by athletic instructor.

4. Representation at State or national conventions of student activities when permission to attend has been granted by the Excuse Committee.

Group III—Absences not excusable.

1. Before or after a vacation.

2. To prepare work for another teacher or class.

3. For student activities of class, sorority, fraternity, athletic, or social.

Three tardinesses constitute a cut.

A cut before or after a vacation or holiday counts the full number of allowed cuts in any subject.

Students who have overcut at the time of the examination will be excluded from the examination.

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**COMMITTEE ON PUBLISHING A COLLEGE WEEKLY.**

I hereby suggest as a name for the new college weekly paper

"State College ....."

Signed.....

### PROMETHEAN LITERARY SOCIETY. Offers Splendid Opportunities to All Students.

The opening of the college year finds us all interested and brimful of enthusiasm, doesn't it? And so while you're looking about for some way in which to give vent to this pent-up energy, Promethean calls to you. If you are interested in literature and authors, in music, in debates, in dramatics, or in plain "fun" Promethean will welcome you. The old members will have their first meeting Thursday evening, Oct. 12th, and you would be beginning the year in just the best way possible if you were to have some one of the old members present your name as a candidate for membership at that first meeting. If you do that you won't miss any of the good times to which Promethean holds the key—and you can't afford to miss any of them. Watch the bulletin board and the college newspaper for further notices.

And remember, those of you who are already Prometheans, there will be a meeting Thursday evening, October 12th, unless you are otherwise notified.

#### Order Regulation Suits.

All men are urged to get the regulation gymnasium suits consisting of regulation gymnasium shirt, gymnasium trousers (grey with black stripe), and white gym shoes. You can order these things and any other athletic goods you may wish to acquire through Mr. Swaim.

#### Gymnasium Classes Will Be Organized Immediately.

The men's gymnasium classes will be organized as soon as is possible. The class you will belong to depends on circumstances, such as possible conflicts with other courses. Watch the bulletin board for announcements concerning class schedules.

#### Physical Examinations.

All Freshmen girls are asked to watch for notices on the locker-key board (in lower hall near locker rooms) in order to learn when they are scheduled for their physical examinations. A physical examination is required of every Freshman taking gymnasium work and every girl is urged to keep her appointment promptly.

#### Regulation Gynasium Suit.

The required gynasium suit consists of black bloomers, white middy (no colored collars), black tie, black stockings and white sneakers. Those who wish to order their bloomers through Miss Gray are asked to see her as soon as possible as no orders will be sent in after October 20th.

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#### Dr. Beik to Teach Dr. Blue's Former Courses.

**Education 6 to be Omitted. President Brubacher will teach Ed. 10, 2d Semester.**

All of Dr. Blue's former courses, except Education 6, which treats of the development of education in the United States, will this year be given by Dr. Beik. This means that the following courses can be taken up this year:

Education 1. History and Principles of Education.

Education 12. Seminary in Education.

Education 10, which treats of educational administration and which is open to Graduate Students and qualified Seniors, will be given by President Brubacher during the second semester.

#### State College Graduate is New Chemistry Instructor.

**Chester Wood '14 to Assist in Prof. Bronson's Department.**

Many of the upper classmen will be glad to welcome back to State College, Mr. Chester Wood, a former student here, who has been engaged to assist in the Chemistry Department. Before coming to State College Mr. Wood attended the schools of Waterford, N. Y. He graduated from State College in 1914, receiving the B. S. degree, but remained another year, earning his Pd. M. in 1915. While in college he was a member of the M. A. A. and an active member of the Chemistry Club. During the year just passed he was engaged in teaching at the Lansingburg H. S.

#### New Instructor in H. E. Department.

All H. E. girls will now have another teacher to be proud of. Miss Helen C. Lantz has been chosen as Instructor of Applied Arts. Miss Lantz, before entering Columbia Teachers College, of which she is a 1916 graduate, graduated from Stout Institute. Meno-

monie, Wis. She has had several years' teaching experience in Ilermansville, Mich., and Wansankee, Wis., all of which will come her in good stead in her present position.

#### COLLEGE SONG BOOK. Long Hoped for Official Record of College Songs Now in Press.

Last year at this time there was hope that before many months we should have a college song book all our own. That hope has taken the form of substance since then and the book is now in press. Before long it will be ready for distribution. Then think of the college sings we shall have on the campus and in the gym! Now of course this song book like all other worth while enterprises needs financial support. The plan the subscription editors are following is to have you pay fifty cents when you subscribe, and on receipts of the book pay the remainder.

fifty cents. We must have these half-dollars paid down first to publish the book. Don't make the committee hunt you up! Hunt them up! They are Margaret Shirtz '19 and Edith Wallace '17. The other members of the song book committee are Kolin Hager '17, Harry Russell '18, and Marion Putnam '18, music committee, and Ethel M. Houck '17, treasurer. The places of the four 1916 committee members will soon be filled.

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The Excuse Committee will consider petitions, in writing, for excuses for absences caused by the conditions outlined in Group II, provided a student has made no misuse of a cut. Accompanying the petition must be a complete list of all absences, their dates and causes.

Excuses given in Group II can not be considered if students have cut for reason given in Group III.

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at his home and were attended by a large body of mourning friends, among whom were state officials, clergymen, prominent educators and members of societies from Trinity M. E. church. The pall-bearers were Professors C. F. Hale, B. S. Bronson and David Hutchison of the State College faculty and Charles W. Burrows, J. Scott Nichols, and Robert B. Hawer of the Men's Fellowship Class of Trinity M. E. Church.

The interment was made at Oskaloosa, Iowa, Dr. Blue's boyhood home. The college and its alumni join with his family and with his many friends in mourning his loss.

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Grinnell College the same year. In 1908 he was given his Ph. B. degree after which he entered the School of Pedagogy, New York City, where in 1909 he was given the degree of Ph. M. Later he went to Clark University to work for a Ph. D., earning the same in 1913. From 1909-11 Dr. Beik was the principal of the schools of Aurelia, Iowa, and during his course at Clark University an assistant instructor of Pedagogy. His stay at Clark was followed in 1914-15 by an assistant professorship of Psychology and Pedagogy at Olivet College, Michigan, from where he went to the Central State Normal School, Mt. Pleasant, Michigan, before coming to us.

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experimental way, a study of each candidate's scholarship standing with a view of barring those who are least qualified from entrance. It will in all probability not be necessary to enforce this method of limiting the number of students this fall, but next year with the limit reached it is sure to go into effect.

#### NO SUCCESSOR TO DEAN BLUE HAS YET BEEN APPOINTED.

No final action on filling the vacancy caused by Dean Leonard A. Blue's death has yet been taken. Dr. Brubacher will need considerable time to canvass thoroughly the candidates for the position and in the meantime the dean's duties will be divided among various members of the faculty.

#### STUDENTS FROM OTHER COLLEGES ENTER S. C.

##### Come Here to Finish Their Courses.

The number of upper classmen from other colleges who entered State College this fall also greatly exceeds that of former years. Another boost for State College! When any student leaves his Alma Mater, his first love as it were, and in preference chooses State College for the institution where he wishes to earn his degree, it generally is a fairly sure indication of what is thought by them of our college in comparison with other institutions of learning. This year's contribution comprises students from the College of the City of New York, Hunter College, the College of New Rochelle, Elmira College, Hamilton College, Wellesley College, and Syracuse University.

#### HOME ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT.

##### Changes in Student Schedules.

On account of the unevenness in numbers in sections of certain classes in the Home Economic Department changes have been made in students' schedules. Class lists are posted on the bulletin board in the Industrial Building. All Home Economic students should carefully consult it. Any further information you may want can be secured from Miss Garrison and Miss Steele, Room 161, lower floor of Science Building.

##### Practice Teaching Schedule on Bulletin Board.

All Seniors in the Home Economics Department are advised to consult the practice teaching schedules that are posted on the bulletin board in the Industrial Building.

##### H. E. Department to Have Practice House.

The department will have an innovation this year in the shape of a Practice House in which all classes will be given practical work. The Senior students will have special practice in household management.

#### SORORITIES.

##### Five at State College, All in Flourishing Condition.

All newcomers among the girls will undoubtedly be interested in a brief statement about the sororities of the college, although, if the male element of 1920 is up to S. C. standard, this interest will by no means be monopolized by the weaker (?) half of that class. There are now five sororities among the girls of State College and all of them are splendid organizations, thriving and prosperous, and doing much to make college life more college-like. They are named below according to their age, the name of the present incumbent of the presidency of each being given opposite the respective sorority. (To avoid any possible misunderstanding we wish to reiterate right here, that the order is according to the age of the *sororities* and has absolutely nothing to do with the age of the five presidents. This caution is being taken because the volume of business so far has not been sufficient to enable the Editor to take out a life insurance policy.)

Delta Omega, Marion I. Blodgett, President.

Eta Phi, Helen Kelso, President.

Kappa Delta, Marguerite Stewart, President.

Psi Gamma, Emma Sommerfield, President.

Kappa Nu, Margaret O'Connell, President.

You have thus been properly introduced, let us acquaint you also with the manner in which these above named sororities fight for the privilege of making you one of the fold. We warn all that this is legalized warfare, governed by a set of inter-sorority rules, which are held very strict and must be obeyed carefully by all. The importance of these rules makes their publication at this time and in this opportune place almost a necessity.

##### Inter-Sorority Rules.

I. Each sorority shall have one rush party within five weeks after the eligible list has been submitted.

II. No Freshman shall be entertained in a sorority house until the eligible list has been submitted by the faculty. There shall be no rushing, rushing is to be defined as concerted action of a sorority, such as sorority theatre-

parties, picnics, or organized parties at the houses of members, or personally rushing any Freshman until after the eligible list has been submitted.

III. a. Invitations shall be sent out after the mid-year examinations, six weeks after the date of issuance by the faculty of an eligible list.

b. This eligible list is to include those Freshmen who have received not more than one D in their semester's work, or marks below.

c. Graduate students and entering Seniors shall be given bids at the end of the first ten weeks.

d. All other entering students, except Seniors, shall be subject to the same conditions for membership as Freshmen.

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graduated from Hamilton College in 1912 and received the degree of Doctor of Philosophy at Harvard in 1915. He is professor of English at the State College for Teachers. The bride was graduated from Wells College in 1915. The bridegroom gave a bachelor dinner the night preceding the wedding."

Dr. and Mrs. Thompson have the heartiest good wishes of all with the hope that a long, happy, and useful life may be their lot.

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torium. This meeting must be attended by all as it is of great importance. General directions will be given by Professor Smith to the students and faculty of the Industrial Department.

#### YOUNG WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION.

##### Something About the Organization.

One of the liveliest organizations in the college is the Y. W. C. A. No one at all interested in student activities can long be in college without coming under the spell of its good influence. Its members will make it their duty to look you up, but if you care to be associated with a real live-wire society make it your own to look up them.

This fall as in former years the Y. W. C. A. has published a little handbook which contains much valuable information and which every new-

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**PHYSICAL EXAMINATION FOR MEN.**

**Watch Bulletin Board for Announcement.**

The attention of all new men is called to the fact that all sophomores and freshmen must undergo a thorough physical examination before being allowed to take up gymnasium work. This applies also to juniors who failed to get a passing mark last semester. All men should watch the bulletin board in the locker room for announcements from Physical Director Swaim concerning the hours when he will be able to make the examinations. There is no charge connected with this.

**COLLEGE ORCHESTRA PROMISING.**

**Arnold Nolde is Getting Together a Good Organization.**

Prospects for an efficient and successful orchestra in the college this year are very bright. "Chief" Nolde '19, who re-organized the orchestra last year and put it on a "sound" footing, has made great plans for the coming season and says it will not be his fault if they don't come true. He is planning a regular concert-orchestra of fifteen or possibly more members and has acquired a good selection of concert numbers. It may be arranged to have the orchestra play during chapel exercises in the auditorium once or twice a week. Most of last year's members are back; at least there is a good nucleus to start with. Besides having a concert-orchestra there will be a secondary orchestra made up of the cream of the main organization. The mission of this smaller combination will be to supply music for dancing. Its good work last year makes a successful season a certainty.

**LOCKER KEYS.**

Locker keys will be given out Friday, October 6th, from 9:30 to 12 a. m., and on Monday, October 9th, from 9:30 to 12 a. m., and from 2:30 to 3:30 p. m. A deposit of twenty-five cents is required for each key. See Miss Gray, physical director for women.

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comer ought to make it her business to get. Many were sent out by mail, but if you are one of those who did not receive one see Miss Ethel Houck '17, and one will be handed to you.

At the first activity of the year, a weekly meeting, to be held next Tuesday in the auditorium, the purpose of the organization, its work here in college, and the meaning and obligations of membership will be explained. Every girl in the college is most cordially invited. Freshmen and other new students, this means you too.

During the summer the Y. W. C. A. sent a delegation to the Annual Eastern Field Student Conference held at Silver Bay, on beautiful Lake George. There are eighteen girls in college to whom the mere mention of Silver Bay suggests rippling waters, whispering trees, sports of all kinds, evening sings with six hundred and seventy-five girls' voices, and all sorts of wholesome work and play. Those fortunate enough to enjoy these pleasures this summer were: Dorothy Graninger, Laura Smith, Mary Ella Blue, Carolina Lipes, Lovisa Vedder, Marguerite Stewart, Mildred Bentley, Marion Payne, Helen Kelso, Eleanor Dunn, Marion Putnam, Clara Stock, Anna Harlow, Ruth Kimmey, Eloise Lansing, Alta Sahler, Nina Johns, and last, but by no means least, the president of the Y. W. C. A., Edith Wallace.

One important and successful feature of the Y. W. C. A. work in the college is a lunch counter, which is conducted by Association girls in the basement of the Science Building. They furnish there good wholesome food to the college people at prices within the bounds of reason.

It is the desire of the Y. W. C. A. people to give every possible assistance to the girls of the college. The fact that it was a Y. W. girl who met you at the station, or that it was a Y. W. girl who helped you make out your schedule or helped you find a boarding house is abundant proof that they are succeeding.

Watch the Y. W. C. A. bulletin board in the lower hall and also the columns of the State College News for notices of further activities.

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