BASKET BALL GAME

The first game of the season will be played in the Armory Saturday at 7:30 p.m. for the M. A. C. team is the Chicago West Side Athletic Club. This team won the amateur championship of the city last year and will be a hard one and M. A. C. will have an excellent opportunity to try her efficiency.

TO A YOUNG FRIEND GOING AWAY FROM HOME TO GET AN EDUCATION.

The above is the title of an article by Henry Van Dyke, editor of the Christian Century, who is in the world's table; a consumer, not a producer. No one will ask you what your trade or business is. All you will be asked is how you have got unless of you are getting on with your education. You will be permitted to study the world around you, as you will make up for them to get your education. Then, the people who have given the money to found institutions, and the army of teachers who are spending their lives in hard work for small pay and without promotion—These are the people who are going for the sake of you and others like you, contribute directly to your education. Therefore, the course of action which is common to all colleges is one which is the real function of education. The State, the Nation, by its appropriation of public money for the support of these institutions, makes you its beneficiary. Therefore, you must tell me, at once, that you cannot fairly accept such benefits as are second class for you. You are going to enter a new world, one of unknown friends. The past is gone and you have to start with a clean slate. The future is in your hands, as you are about to enter a new course of life.

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The M. A. C. Record wishes all of its readers a Happy New Year, according to your efforts. May you find plenty to do and have strength to do it well. May you be blessed and be a blessing. May you have spiritual welfare as well as material. And one thing more, may you have the courage and thoughtful maturity to send everything in while a letter about yourself or other M. A. C.'s to ye editor so that his personal columns may be filled and thus avoid the appearance of collections instead of contributions.

ALUMNI.

'85

A. C. Bird has been appointed superintendent of the State Census by Secretary of State Warner. Mr. Bird will begin his work the 15th of January. The copyrighted system of cards instead of the usual schedules will be employed. The Massachusetts state system has been recommended by the U. S. Department. Mr. Bird's course is New York and Philadelphia examining the census systems of the different states and will return to New York to further study census methods, especially in Washington. Mr. Bird is well known as a business man, is systematic in his work and has extraordinary power as an organizer. He is an excellent man for the position.

'90

William G. Smith, of Portland, Michigan, was one of the victims of the Friday, Dec. 31, bomb at Grand Rapids. Mr. Smith is a brother to Miss Bertha Baker, a teacher in the public schools of Newark, New Jersey. Mr. Smith was in Michigan for the holiday season and health, happiness and prosperity for nineteen hundred four, is the Christmas greeting of this Department to you.
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ABOUT THE CAMPUS.

Mrs. L. G. Holbrook is entertaining her mother, from Mio, Mich.

Prof. Babcock and family visited in Ann Arbor a few days last week.

Dr. W. J. Neal attended a meeting of scientists in St. Louis, Mo., last week.

Prof. and Mrs. Brewer have spent the vacation visiting their homes in Wisconsin.

Miss Caroline Balbach, of Grand Rapids, will assist in the library for the year.

Mrs. Linda E. London spent Christmas at the home of her mother in Niles, Mich.

Prof. F. S. Kedzie was an expert witness on the Ferguson poisoning case in Mason on Dec. 28.

The ice crop for 1905 has been harvested. The house is full and the ice is of superior quality.

Mrs. Frank Hendricks, A. B., U. of M., '04, will assist in the department of history during the winter and spring terms.

Mrs. Ella Kezlie entertained several members of the faculty and their wives at a watch party on New Year's eve.

Prof. U. P. Hedrick speaks on Horticultural Education at the Traverse City meeting of the State Horticultural Society this week.

Mrs. Clara A. Hissman, bookkeeper in the secretary's office for three years, will be the general accountant of the state census bureau.

Rev. W. H. Pond, of the Congregational church in Lansing, has resigned to accept the pastorate of a church in Chicago. Rev. Pond was well liked by the College people and his departure is generally regretted.

Things have been very quiet on the campus the past two weeks. Most of the students have been home, and several of the faculty have been away for a few days, while the greatest number were here all vacation getting their departments in readiness for this term's work. Visitors have been quite numerous.

J. W. Bolte, a member of the present junior class, attended the ill-fated Iroquois theatre with his father, mother, brother and sister. The mother is an invalid but was helped out by the other members of the family. The fourteen-year-old sister was caught in the terrible crush and killed. The College community extends its sympathy to the bereaved family.

Dr. Marshall has published an outline of the work in Bacteriology for use of students in agriculture and domestic science. The object is to give the student some idea of what is before him and to unify and systematize reference reading. The following are the principal divisions of the outline: (a) morphologic and cultural; (b) physiologic; (c) hygienic; (d) dairy; (e) soils; (f) plant; (g) fermentation; (h) food and drink preservation. Under the hygienic division are considered communicable diseases, surgical significance, susceptibility and immunity, serum therapy, disinfection and antisepsis, and sanitary studies. The study of soil is divided into the making of the soil, ammonification, nitrification, denitrification, action of micro-organisms upon the mineral constituents of the soil and soil and sewage disposal studies. This outline contains 15 pages and will be of great service to students.

Once a year, recently during the winter vacation of College, the American Association for the Advancement of Science holds a meeting for a week in some city of the United States or Canada. This winter the meeting was held at St. Louis, Mo. The papers are presented in some one of ten sections which are often all in session at the same time. Within a few years, other societies in considerable numbers have been organized and are known as affiliated societies, meeting at the same time and place as the old society. Some readers of the Record may be interested in the names of some of these. The American Chemical Society, the American Society of Naturalists, the American Society of Zoologists—Central Branch, the Association of Economic Entomologists, the Association of Plant and Animal Breeders, the Botanical Club of the Association, the Botanical Society of America, the Central Botanists Association, the Society for Horticultural Science, the Society for the Promotion of Agricultural Science, the Society of College Teachers of Education, the Wild Flower Preservation Society of America, the Society of Plant Morphology and Physiology. With so many societies all going at once, it becomes impossible for every one to hear all the papers he may be interested in. One interested in some special line of economic botany, entomology, chemistry, live stock, may at such meeting find it very profitable to spend an hour with some person of like training and experience. Here one gains knowledge and enthusiasm. In a considerable number of the states, at the north more particularly, agricultural colleges are growing in number and securing liberal appropriations for their work. There are more chances than ever before for well trained men to find good positions.

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R. L. Yates, who is drafting for the Stillwell-Bierce and Smith-Vaile Co. of Dayton, Ohio, visited in his home in Washington, Mich., during the holidays and called at M. A. C. on Dec. 29. The firm employs 30 draftsmen and about 1,500 mechanics, and manufactures Victor turbines, pumps and hydraulic machinery. Mr. Yates teaches drafting to a class of 120 young men who are taking the Y. M. C. A. course. This keeps him busy evenings and on account of the rapid growth of the class, he has been furnished two assistants.


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FARMERS' INSTITUTES.

The following institutes have been arranged for this week: Ottawa county, Zeeland, Jan. 6; Oceana, Hart, Jan. 8; Wexford, Mar. 2, 5, 8; Mecosta, Oceana, Jan. 5.

For next week: Muskegon Co., Ravenna, Jan. 10-12; Mason, Ludington, Jan. 11-12; Osceola, Trowbridge, Jan. 13-15; Oceana, Long Lake, Jan. 15-18; Montcalm, Trufant, Jan. 15-16; Shiawassee, Corunna, Jan. 15-16; Mason, Mason City, Jan. 15-16.


Circular No. 7.

Companies A and B will receive their arms and accoutrements Thursdays, the 7th of January at drill hour. Companies C and D will receive theirs, Friday, the 8th at the same hour.

Every cadet having a uniform will appear in it on duty; a white standing collar and gloves will always be worn with the uniform. Any neglect of this duty will effect the reputation of the corps.

It is the duty of the captains and all officers to report any cadet who appears in an unclean and untidy condition. A cadet will be considerediry who does not have his hair properly dressed, his belt with the belt plate right in front of the front seam (the opposite being the case for his gun and accoutrements clean, the leather parts blackened and the brass polished.

It is hoped that each cadet will take an individual pride in his duties and that the corps as a whole will excel any previous condition.

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Corps of Cadets.

BACK TO THE FARM.

A MAINE NEWSPAPER SEES A TURN IN THE TIDE.

One of the most serious problems that confronts the economic world today is to keep the young men on the farms. For many years there has been a tendency to congregate in the cities, and to such an extent has this been carried that all the farm crops will be taken up and will be consumed through the coming term. No textbooks are used, the course being given in lectures. The school has been a good training ground and Mr. Carrier has made a success of it. The same could be done in many schools providing the instructors knew the subject.

E. D. Searing, associate professor of mechanical engineering in the State Agricultural College, P. Colins, Colorado, writes that his classes in drawing and design are doing well. Anthony is used as a text and Prof. Searing desires the notes recently issued by the Department of Drawing and Design at M. A. C.

With '93

E. K. Mason is working in a consulting engineer's office in Cincinnati, Ohio.

With '95

H. A. French recently spent a few days at M. A. C. He is taking the engineering course at Purdue University and was on the train which was wrecked and caused the death of many students.

Dr. Beal in his recent trip to St. Louis met the following students who were at one time students at M. A. C.: W. F. Wilson, '94-96; W. S. Truax, '95; S. W. Tracy, '96; C. E. Bessey, '95; R. F. Currey, '94; F. B. Shuster, '95; J. L. Briggs, '95; E. D. Sanderson, '95.

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