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# FAREWELL RECEPTION FOR PROFESSOR AND MRS. C. D. SMITH.

About 150 college people gathered at the Women's Building last Wednesday evening in honor of Prof. and Mrs. Smith, and to bid them Godspeed in their new field of labor. The building was specially decorated for the occasion with potted plants and cut flowers along the hallway leading to the parlors, to which the guests were ushered and introduced to the receiving line formed by Prof. and Mrs. Smith, Miss Belle Farrand, Hon. and Mrs. R. D. Graham, president of the State Board of Agriculture; Hon. W. H. Wallace, Hon. W. J. Oberdorffer, Hon. F. F. Marston, and President and Mrs. Snyder.

When all the guests were assembled Secretary A. M. Brown in behalf of the faculty presented Prof. Smith with a watch fob and a solid gold medal of the college of the design used for the semi-centennial engraved with his name and date and Mrs. Snyder, for the women of the college, presented Mrs. Smith with a beautiful pin set with a diamond surrounded with pearls. In presenting the medal Mr. Brown said :

It becomes my pleasant duty this evening to address you on behalf of this great gathering of your intimate friends and associates, and to express to you in my humble way the friendly affection and deep respect in which you are held by those in whose midst you have lived and labored during all these long years.

Mingled with the joy that is always ours when we open our hearts in recognition of the virtues and worth of our deserving fellows, there comes, on this occasion, a tinge of sadness when we remember, as indeed we must, that there is, in this gathering of your friends,

a prophesy of farewells.

It is almost fifteen years since you cast your lot with this community, and during all that time, I am sure, there has been between you and us, your co-laborers and friends, mutual esteem, mutual helpfulness, and best of all, a common interest in furthering the name and fame, as well as the good works, of this now renowned and honored institution. You came here when M. A. C. was but just dreaming of the light of a new day. You saw and knew her before she had emerged from that long struggle with poverty and distrust, with adverse criticism and mocking ridicule, that have so often accompanied the development of important principles, of great institutions and of noble have seen her pass from a little provincial college, whose only connection with the great outside world was by a long and miry highway, down whose weary length toiled laboriously her petty commerce, to the estate of a great, technical, institution, known, respected and honored in every corner of the earth. You saw her struggling, almost hopelessly as it appeared, to win the support and confidence of



DEPUTY-SUPT. W. H. FRENCH

Who was recently elected to the chair of Agricultural Education at M. A. C.

even the people of this state, and yet today she is deep in their affec-tions and the object of their jealous attention. You have seen the student body grow to five times its former number, and during this time, you have watched with pleasure, I am sure, the erection of the many beautiful buildings that have come to adorn and dignify this charming campus. These many other things, necessarily connected with the vigorous growth of a great institution, have met your pleased eye during these passing

It is my pleasure, here and now, to make public acknowledgment before and on behalf of this gathering of friends and co-workers, that in the accomplishment of all these things you have borne a conspicuous part. We honor you when we congratulate Michigan Agricultural College upon its wondrous progress; we honor you when we point with pride to the great body of young men and young women who have gone out from these halls to add nobility and worth to our citizenship; we honor you when, with satisfaction, we cast our eyes over the beautiful farms of this state whose bounty has been measurably affected through the influence of this college.

To you more than to most men has it been given to extend your influence and labors beyond the narrow confines of your home community. Your name has long since become a household word among the farmers of Michigan, and it must always be a source of great gratification to you that you hold the respect, esteem and friendship of this substantial part of our peo-

With mingled pride and regret we view your call to a new, broader and radically different field of occupation. The Brazilian government is indeed to be congratulated upon securing the services of one so admirably equipped, both by nature and training, for the difficult task of organizing a great agricultural school. It is the fondest hope

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# PROF. SHAW APPOINTED DIRECTOR.

Will Have General Control of the Experiment Station.

## DR. MARSHALL MADE SCIENTI-FIC AND VICE DIRECTOR.

At a meeting of the State Board of Agriculture last Wednesday, Prof. R. S. Shaw, Dean of the Agricultural department, was made director of the experiment station to succeed Prof. C. D. Smith, who has resigned to accept the presidency of a Brazilian Agricultural college and Dr. C. E. Marshall of the department of Bacteriology was made vice director and scientific advisor. Both Prof. Shaw and Doctor Marshall will still maintain their connection with their respective departments and have general super-

# FARMERS' INSTITUTE TRAIN.

### A Six Day Trip Over Michigan Central and Pere Marquette.

The State Board of Agriculture has secured the co-operation of the Pere Marquette and Michigan Central Railroads for a series of farmers' Institutes to be held in a special train furnished by the railroad

The train will stop for one hour at the following points on the date and hour mentioned:

March 31 .- Grand Ledge, 8:00 a. m.; Mulliken, 9:30 a. m.; Sunfield, 11:00 a. m.; Lake Odessa, 1:00 p. m; Clarksville, 2:30 p. m.; Alto, 4:00 p. m.

April 1.—Grandville, 8:00 a. m.; Hudsonville, 9:30 a. m.; Zeeland, 11:00 a, m.; Fennville, 1:00 p. m.; Bravo, 2:30 p. m.; Grand Junction.

April 2. Bangor, 8:00 a. m.; Hartford, 9:30 a. m.; Watervliet, 11:00 a. m.; Benton Harbor, 1:00 p. m.; Stevensville, 2:30 p. m.; Bridgman, 4:00 p. m.

On Friday, April 3, the train will leave New Buffalo for Detroit over the Michigan Central, stopping at 18 points en route. From Detroit the train will go to Saginaw and from Saginaw to Lansing. A full itinerary schedule of the trip will be given next week.

The train will consist of two passenger coaches in which the meetings will be held, and two baggage cars for the exhibits. Lectures will be given upon dairying, corn growing, fertilizers, fruit culture, poultry raising, etc. The exhibits will include a milk tester, seed corn tester, samples of forage crops, coops of several breeds of poultry, incubators, spray pumps, samples of pruning, budding, grafting, and of various insects and diseases of fruits.

Profs. Jeffery, Shaw and Taft and Instructor Halpin will be with the train and W. F. Rosen, of Brooklyn, and T. A. Farrand, of Eaton Rapids, will also give talks. Demonstrations in milk testing, etc., will be given.

# ALUMNI

04

Ralph Stevens is now a landscape artist at Santa Barbara, Cal.

L. F. Clark called on college friends last week. He is still in the Bacteriological department of Park-Davis Co., Detroit.

With '04

Dora A. Skeels with the above class is a college visitor this week.

O. W. Burke has been appointed inspector for the new agricultural building.

Miss Belle Farrand, the efficient assistant in the Bacterological department for the past two years, has resigned her position and will occompany Prof. and Mrs. C. D. Smith to Pira Cacaba. She will

# A COLLEGE DRAMATIC CLUB.

stay a year.

The second program in the series of farces now being presented in the armory will be given on Friday evening, April 10, at 8 o'clock. There are still to be presented two full programs of these farces by members of the dramatic art classes. The program given on Saturday evening last was for the benefit of the East Lansing church. On the evening of April 10 a program consisting of two farces, "Our New Footman," and "All in a Fog" will he presented in the interests of a prospective dramatic club, and toward the end of April another full program will be given also in the interest of the dramatic club. Tickets for these two programs may be had for twenty-five cents, or fifteen cents for a single program.

It is hoped that those especially who are interested in the future of the dramatic club will help to make these programs a financial success.

# Y. W. C. A.

At the last meeting of the Y. W. C. A. Mrs. Blaisdell gave a very interesting talk on "The Value of Friendship."

A business meeting was held afterwards at which the following officers were elected for the coming

President--Myrta Severance. Vice President—Grace Fitch. Secretary-Mabel Robison. Treasurer-Jane Daunt.

CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES. Membership-Grace Fitch. Financial—Jane Daunt. Devotional-Mrs. Howell. Missionary--Lutie Robinson. Social-Lucile Stout. Intercollegiate - Edna McNaughton Bible Study-Etha Child. Music-Lois Garber. Summer Conference--Katherine Koch,

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# Farewell Reception for Professor and Mrs. C. D. Smith.

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as well as the surest expectation of your friends, that, in this new undertaking you will be wholly successful and that in that old and yet new land of our great sister continent, presided over by a conservative Latin race, you may sow the seeds of agricultural progress.

And, now, sir, on the eve of your departure, as a symbol, only, of the love and esteem in which you are held by your old associates, neighbors and friends and as a souvenir of the institution whose welfare is as dear to you as your own, I present you with this medal. May it mean to you all that is treasured up in fond associations, comradeship and the love of friends.

"We are quite proud of the fame won by Prof. Smith," said Mrs. Snyder in presenting the token to Mrs. Smith, "but we feel a woman helped him win it. If you will look up all the facts, sir, you will find a woman in it.' "

"While we appreciate fully the services rendered this college by Prof. Smith, we wish to add our meed of praise to the worth of a good woman. It has been said: · Just to be good; to keep life pure from degrading elements; to make it constantly helpful in little ways to those who are touched by it; to keep one's spirit always sweet and avoid all manner of petty anger and irritability, that is an ideal as noble as it is difficult."

"This you have been and much more. You have been to your husband a wise counsellor. Just how much his success has been due to your good judgment and sympathetic helpfulness, the world will never know. You have repaid his affection, his tenderness and his solicitude for your confort by a loyalty and devotion that has called forth the silent admiration of all those who have been acquainted with your private life. Your home has been to many of us the resort of love, of joy, of peace. You have always borne more than your share of the responsibities of the College life and your hospitality has been freely extended alike to visitors and to homesick students. You have done your part well. Your friends are many and loyal and wherever you go, you may be assured that their earnest solicitations and prayers will follow you.

"Oh that we could bind our wandering wishes of love and esteem for you into one garland that would float to you on a southern gale and creep into your heart and there abide.

To recall to you many sweet memories of pleasant days and hours spent here, I have the honor, in behalf of the women present to present to you this little gold pin. As often as you wear it may it remind you of loyal hearts and true at M. A. C.

"It'll hold your tie, or ribbon bow And help in many ways I know, On breast or neck it'll stay, And stick there tight for many a day."

# UNION LITERARY ELEVEN O'CLOCK.

Saturday evening March 14, the Union Literary society gave its Winter Term Eleven O'clock in the college armory. The decorations were something unique and caused much favorable comment. The west end of the armory represented the side of a steamer, with its ports, paddlebox, gangplank and life buoys. The gallery made an excellent "upper deck" and could be reached by two "ship's ladders." A lighthouse in one corner of the building burned brightly and just across from it the College Orchestra discoursed sweet music from "a green, rock bound island."

Two numbers on the program were "Search Light" dances some of the lights were turned out and a search light from the "upper deck" was thrown upon the dancers.

The first class passengers were, Director and Mrs. C. L. Brewer, Dr. and Mrs. A. F. Gordon, Prof. and Mrs. J. Fred Baker and Prof. and Mrs. C. D. Smith, helped all present to better enjoy the short "Ocean voyage." R. II.

# THEMIAN BIJOU.

Last Friday evening the Themian Society entertained the Sororian Society in a most cordial and delightful manner. There was a great deal of mystery in the preparations so the visitors on arriving were surprised to find things ar ranged for a theatre. They obtained their entrance ticket by parting with some piece of jewelry, and when inside the programs given out told of the attractions of the evening.

It was the "Bijou with an all-star caste" on the program. Miss Coleman's "Bothemian orchestra rendered delightful music and played the accompaniment to the "Finomenal Soon Coloist, Miss Barbara Walsh, and to the "High Class Song and Dance Specialists, Koff & Brady. A Tragedy in one act, "Thirty Scents" was very impressive, and the author, a member of Themian Society, deserves mention as a promising playwright. The "Themianscope" offered several shadowgraphs and the whole evening was a success, not forgetting the popcorn and chewing gum sold between acts.

The Aurorean Society gave a "feed" in honor of the retiring officers Monday night.

# ANTI-PROFANITY LEAGUE BANQUET.

Some wit once said: "There are several ways of quieting a child; one way is to rock it to sleep, using rocks of a moderate size." He knew what he was talking about and so do we. We had a feed as a result of good conduct at the senior table, Club A. We are: "Sherm," "Val," "Joe," "Fat," "Walt," "Short," "Harry" and "Stephie," and it came about thusly: We agreed that each time anyone talked of his lessons or used any improper language at the table he should be fined one cent-and he was. We waxed rich, but not so rich as we had hoped, so when last Friday came, and each paid his fine, he was required to double the amount-and he did. That afternoon a committee of four went to Lansing and bought great quantities of feed. All were requested to meet that night at 8:30 in Joe's and Short's roomand they did.

The guest of honor was Stephie's cousin, Mr. Osgerby of the University. We met as per schedule and went to that feed, and it went to us, until it was most gone. A long series of jokes and stories followed and pipe dreams were told. The midnight hour found us still laughing, still enjoying the pleasantry of the occasion. Then the sand man came and we went home each voicing the sentiment that the banquet was a success. As we closed the door of the banquet hall some cold minded individual remarked "We'll wake up in the a. m. with a leathery taste in our

mouths-and we did.

# AMATEURS WIN APPLAUSE.

Surprising Talent Displayed in Plays Given by College Dramatic Classes.

In two delightful little comedies, in which the acting would have done credit to a professional troupe, the College dramatic classes last Saturday night, proved the efficiency of their training and incited no small amount of applause from their appreciative audience. entertainment, which was under the auspices of the Women's Society of the East Lansing church, was the result of a term's work, the staging of the plays being chosen as a variation from the lectures and class work in the subject of dramatic art, and reflects great credit upon the work of Prof. King and his pupils.

The following is the cast of characters for the two plays:

# I. STRATAGEMS.

Edward Ralston .... Mr. Van Wagenen Chauncey Oglethrope .... Mr. Chapman Mrs. Ondego-Jhones .....

Miss Myrtle Severance Fierra Bengaline....Miss Zoe McConnell Lady Guinevere Llandpoore ...

Miss Katherine Koch

II. SUNSET.

Lois. | Half | ...... Miss F. Hall Joan. | Sisters | ...... Miss S. Gardner Miss F. Hall Miss G. Martin Aunt Drusilla Azariah Stodd ...... Mr. Chapman Mr. Rivers (Lois's father) ... Mr. Postiff Lawrence Lee ..... Edward Nies

Another public rendering of one of the plays worked up during the term may be given in the near future.

Laugh and the teacher laughs with you,
Laugh and you laugh alone;
The first when the joke is the teacher's,
The last when it is your own.

# THE TREND OF RECENT CENTRAL STATION PRACTICE.

Last Tuesday evening Mr. Alexander Dow, general manager of the Detroit Edison Co., addressed the Engineering Society upon the Trend of Recent Central Station Practice. The trend of progress in this line, he says, is due partly to fashion and partly to experience, fashion usually representing good practice of two or three years ago. Central station practice in common with almost every form of American industry is rapidly changing. Many methods that were considered good practice three or four years ago are now rarely used in efficient plants. A few years ago the attention of engineers was largely occupied in trying to obtain a more economical operation of the power plants, but this phase of the practice has been so exploited in technical schools and at the meetings of engineering societies, and engineers in practice have met with such success along this line that today inefficient power plants are rarely seen, and the cost of operation has been so lowered that it is an item of comparatively little importance in the total costs.

In almost all central power stations the fixed charges are greater than the operating expenses. Depreciation, taxation and interest, all functions of fixed charges, have now become the largest cost factors and the trend of all central station practice is towards lower first costs, thus keeping down the amount in-

vested.

In boilers the tendency is towards the use of a limited number of very large boilers, some of as high as 2200 h. p. being in use. These boilers require very large grate area and must be fired from two or three sides, but their use saves floor space and lowers first costs. In the engine room nothing but turbines are being used down to 500 k.w. Turbines give an almost constant efficiency under varying loads, are very reliable and require very low labor and lubricant costs. Higher steam pressures are being accepted, but the degree of super-heat used has been lowered to about 150° F. because of the effects of high super-heat upon castings.

One very noticeable feature of central station practice is the large increase in the number of small motors that are being used in commercial plants. The reason for this is partly due to the improved direct current motor, but more largely to the improved alternating current motor, a large percentage of the motors that are being installed being of this type.

After the address the following officers were elected for next term.

President—Mr. J. V. Gongwer. Vice President—H. H. Musselman. Corresponding Secretary - F. Wood.

Recording Secretary-A. Sobey. Treasurer—R. L. Kurtz. Press Reporter—O. A. Pokomy. r of the Executive Committee -G. Allen.

The senior girls came together in a social affair for the first time last Saturday evening at a dinner given in the Oakland cafe. Prof. Smith was a special guest of the evening, and added greatly to the jollity of the occasion. After the dinner they attended, in a body, the first of the plays given by the Junior English classes in the armory.

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# ABOUT THE CAMPUS



School closes Friday for a ten days' vacation. The spring term opens April 7 and all students must register by evening of that day (Tuesday).

Pres. Snyder has been invited by Pres. Roosevelt to attend a conference on the Conservation of Our Natural Resources, to be held at the White House, May 13-15.

The spring term schedules are out and may be had at the president's office. Electives should be chosen this term so that the necessary text books may be ordered.

In the freshman oratorical of the Sororian Literary Society held March 13, '08, Florence M. Barlow won first place; Myrtle Myers, second place, and Hannah Williamson and Mae Walker tied for third.

Spring is here! The weather man says so, the birds say so, the base ball season has begun, the cadets are drilling in the open air and the college carpenters have removed the storm doors. Now look out for a blizzard.

A Corliss engine 12x30 has been ordered for the engineering department from the Nordberg Mnfg. Co., of Milwaukee. Also a surface condensor to be used in connection from the C. H. Wheeler Mnfg. Co., of Philadelphia. It will be delivered about July 1 and set up during the summer. The cost including foundation and other accessories will be about \$2,750. It will add much to the value of the laboratory.

J. M. Walkup, C. J. Oviatt, and W. D. Frazer will attend the state Y. M. C. A. convention at Bay City Friday.

Nicely furnished room for rent at moderate price; modern conveniences. Mrs. Mary E. Jenison, "College Delta."

Miss Helen Dodge very pleasantly entertained the Feronian society at an afternoon tea, Saturday, March 14. A musical program was rendered and dancing participated in. All reported an excellent time.

The time of meetings of the King's Daughters has been changed from 2:00 to 2:30, also the dates of meetings will be a day prior to the dates given in the programs. Next meeting will be held at Mrs. E. R. Blair's.

Secretary Moon, of the Y. M. C. A., has accepted a position in the office of a Detroit Ice Co., and is at the college only Saturday nights and Sundays. He will continue his connection with the college Y. M. C. A. until his successor is appointed.

The track team met the State Normal Athletes in a track meet at Ypsilanti Saturday, winning seven out of nine firsts, and a total of 43 2-3 points to their opponents' 33 1-3. The following men won firsts for M. A. C.: McKenna, shot-put; Small, dash; Baker, pole vault; Oviatt, quarter mile; Capt. Carr, half mile; True and Harrison tied for high jump.

# COLLEGE RULES ADOPTED.

Provide for the Regulation of College Customs.

Perhaps the largest mass meeting held at M. A. C. in a number of years was that in the chapel Friday night for the purpose of organizing a student union and adopting a code of rules which will be the criterion for the future guidance of all classes, and settlement of matters which concern the student body. Though the session was somewhat stormy the majority of the rules recommended by the committee from the upper classes consisting of Messrs. Barden, O'Gara, Frazer, Boyd, Lemmon and DeCamp were adopted as follows:

I. That for the future settlement of all class matters and the maintenance of the college customs and traditions at M. A. C. a students' union be formed, to consist of three seniors, two juniors and one sophomore, to be elected by the classes named in the first week of each fall term; the officers to be a senior president and a junior secretary.

II. Each and every freshman and sub freshman shall wear at all times during the fall and spring terms, except on Sundays, a cap of the following description. For the freshmen, an official brown cap with a small vizor and a green button. For sub-freshmen, a similar gray cap with a black button. They shall not at any time while in college wear a pin representing their preparatory school in any manner, nor

shall they wear any emblem or insignia of that institution. III. No student shall be allowed to

loaf around the college barber shop.

IV. All students shall show their respect to college professors whom they

know by tipping their hats.
V. Only seniors may wear stiff hats about the campus.

VI. A time-honored tradition at M. A. C. is that no student shall smoke on the campus.

VII. Students' night shall be the last Thursday night of the spring term when a celebration in the form of a night shirt parade shall be held under the supervision of the junior class. On this night, at which time the freshmen and sub-freshmen caps may be burned, all classes participate in this celebration.

VIII. Commencement week shall be known as senior week.

IX. Class numerals can be worn only by members of its football, baseball, basketball or track team or by members who have earned a position on the first or second varsity teams and then only when those numerals have been awarded by the Athletic council upon recommendation of the class.

X. The most important social function of the college course is the Junior Hop given by the class during the winter term of its Junior year.

XI. There is no hazing. Occasionally some individual first year man is made to feel that one can know too much from the start, but hazing is severely condemned as a general practice.

XII. The old class rushes have been abolished and the "Organized rush" on the second Saturday of the fall term substituted.

# A NEW DEPARTMENT AT THE COLLEGE.

Deputy Superintendent of Public Instruction, W. H. French, elected to the Professorship of Agricultural Education.

Upon the recommendation of President Snyder the State Board of Agriculture last week established a new department,—that of Agricultural Education, which will greatly add to the usefulness of the College throughout the state. W. H. French, now Deputy Superinten-dent of Public Instruction, was elected to the professorship of this department.

For three years the authorities have had this matter under consideration but have been unable to secure the services of a competent man to discharge the complex duties of such a position.

The work of the department will be the furtherance of agricultural education throughout the state, to co-operate with the public schools in introducing agricultural education in the public school system, the building up of a farmer's reading course, the establishment of correspondent courses in agriculture and ultimately the building up of a course tending to better fit graduates for teaching the principles of agriculture in the high schools throughout the

Prof. French is especially well qualified for this position, having been in close touch with the public schools of the state for many years and has been a hearty supporter of the new movement. He will take up the duties of the office about July 1.

# SOCIETY OFFICERS.

The following officers have been elected by the various societies for the coming term.

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