THE TWENTY-SECOND ORATORICAL.

C. J. OVIATT WINS FIRST PLACE; A. J. HUTCHINS, SECOND.

The twenty-second annual Oratorical contest was held in the armory Friday evening and though much credit is due to the president, Mr. Oviatt, the emcee competed it was, in general interest, excellence of orations and point of singing the best contest held in recent years.

Mr. Oviatt was given the first place and Mr. Hutchins, the second place.

The productions were carefully prepared, perfectly committed and rendered in a manner which showed much care and attention. The Orchestra, which is always appreciated, added much to the pleasure of the evening and added the feelings by Prof. King and vocal solos by Mr. McAuley. Mr. Hutchins for the Columbian Society took the subject of the oration, with one exception the best basket ball teams of the country. The first half ended in a tie, 16-16, and for some time during the second half, M. A. C. led in the scoring often which Wabash by steady basket ball, and sensational shots, took the lead and kept it until the final whistle blew. "Red" Dickerson scored 5 field goals and McKenna scored 3. "Mac" threw 3 foul goals out of 3 chances. Lumber and Walters of Wabash scored 6 and 7 field goals respectively.

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ICE RINK OPENING.

The ice rink committee have made arrangements to have a formal opening of the rink on Thursday, February 11, next Saturday afternoon, providing proper weather conditions prevail. All the subscription money has been turned in, and a space 400 feet long will be kept fenced and cleaned until the spring breaks up. During the last week or ten days light have been put up, and everything is now in readiness for the opening. A band will be in attendance from 4 to 6 and a huge bonfire will be kept going all afternoon. If it can be held to weather, a hockey game may be scheduled to take place from 3:30 to 4. Spectators signifying who have contributed to the subscription fund are being printed, and one of these will be given to each person who has paid, and will serve to designate him while on the ice.

MASTODON BONES.

Mr. William Lovejoy, of Perry, Michigan, has paid us a visit in connection with the college museum three bones of the hind leg of a mastodon, taken from a swamp in Conway, Livingston county, Michigan, in the fall of 1907. The largest bone is the upper bone (femur) of the hind leg, the lower part of which is perfect, but the upper fourth of the bone is wanting. The next left measures to each parent 14 inches in length, and the circumference of the shaft at its smallest point is over one-half of an inch. This means that the entire thigh bone would measure from thirty-six to forty inches, and indicates a nearly full grown animal, probably a male. The average old bull mastodon has a thigh bone ranging from twenty-four to forty-seven inches in length, indicating an animal at least ten feet high, and with nearly the proportions of an average elephant. The tasks sometimes measured ten feet in length, but usually not more than seven or eight feet.

The mastodon has been extinct for hundreds, probably thousands, of years, but its remains are frequendy found buried in bogs and marshes, where the wet soil, and in some cases at least, the preservative action of peat, has prevented decay. The bones above described were found in a few inches of water. When they were exposed for weeks by the washing away of the mud by the rain.

The museum now has only five specimens of mastodon teeth, together with a large part of the lower jaw and some large sections of tooth. Complete skeletons of either mastodon or mammoth are unknown. The best, but single bone, especially leg bones, ribs and teeth are by no means uncommon. The mastodon was one of our Pacific vertebrates quite closely related to the existing Indian and African elephants, but with a body frame quite different in pattern and teeth decidedly larger in proportion to the size of the animal. The bones above described were sent to M. A. C. Jan, 22, 1909.


In a fast but interesting game last evening M. A. C. won from the fast Adrian team by a surprising score of 53-13. Adrian is considered one of the best teams in the State. Our team was up to par, but were outplayed by M. A. C. in every stage of the game. The fact that we were playing under inter-collegiate rules for the first time added perhaps to their confusion. Dickson threw seven baskets, McKenna six, Haunen four and Merz seven. Bellraps was substituted for Haunen, who was injured. Half time score, M. A. C., 22: Adrian, 5. Final score, M. A. C., 53; Adrian, 13. Two of our players are now injured, two, McKenna, one, Bellraps, one, Gray, two, Stoke, two. Feints from E. M. Moore, Orchard Lake, Gray two in five. Reference, Mills, M. A. C.

RESOLUTIONS.

Whereas, The Heavenly Father has deemed it wise to call this life, Mrs. A. Rodegeb and her benefactors. The deceased was the mother of Mr. Eli Rodegeb, a member of the Aurorean Literary Society; be it.

Resolved, That the members of the said society extend to them and the rest of her family sincere sympathy, and be it further.

Resolved, That a copy be sent to the families of the deceased and bereaved family; and be it further.

Resolved, That these resolutions be published in the M. A. C. RECORD.

ROY C. HOOPINGARNER,
LESHEL H., H. COBB,
A committee for revising the college catalogue is now at work and will probably recommend several important changes. A reward will be given for the return of a gold scarf pin set with small diamond. Leave at Secretary's office.

Civil examinations for farmers in the Indian Service will be held at various places throughout the state, Feb. 23, 1909. The salaries range from $700 to $900 per annum.

Several unsigned communications have been received this week which would make good reading if we were sure of their authenticity. Kindly sign your name. It will not be printed if you desire it not to be.

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The M. A. C. RECORD.

THE TECHNICAL CLUBS
Brief Reviews of the Meetings

HORTICULTURAL CLUB.
Last Wednesday evening the Horticultural Club met as usual. The subject under discussion was the dwarfing of fruit trees. Mr. Pratt explained that the principle in dwarfing is not suitable for standards, and the advantage of this system is that it facilitates horticultural operations and adapts the dwarfs to positions not suitable for standards, and the general superior quality of the fruit. Among the disadvantages are extra care required, additional number of trees, and smaller fruit, but sufficient to become desirable if planted too deep.

M. A. Tait spoke on apple producing regions. The speaker explained that while apples are grown in all the states there are certain sections of commercial importance. The region between Nova Scotia and Long Island on the east and Lake Michigan on the west contains some of the best sections in the country. The Oregon region in Missouri and Arkansas and the Northwest are the most prominent of other apple producing regions. Eastern apple growers count on home markets but the West looks to the East for disposition of the crop.

ENGINEERING SOCIETY.
At the meeting of the Engineering Society last week, Mr. J. B. Hall, of Chicago, spoke on the "Electrical Equipment of the Detroit". His subject dealt largely with the relations of business to engineering, enumerating the things an engineer must know, such as cost of material, labor, and energy for city, and the means to be successful in the engineering line.

The physics lecture room was poorly attended, in order to be successful in the engineering line.

Dramatic Club Organized.
The M. A. C. Dramatic Club organized a few weeks ago, will adopt a constitution at its next meeting this week. Two good plays have been selected for the fall, and the actors are working hard to make these productions surpass any yet given on the M. A. C. stage.

The Club is organized outside of the regular dramatic impersonation class, and its purpose is to accomplish what no other club can do, make the players rest and enjoy the theater. The players rest and enjoy the theater. The Club is a part of the student body, and its purpose is to make the players rest and enjoy the theater.

The Club is made up of twenty-five charter members, all stars, most of "we have appeared to the Lansing audiences and will be most heartily welcomed.

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