SUCCESSFUL PARTY AT GRAND RAPIDS

After a long period of quiet, the Grand Rapids branch of the M. A. C. Association came through with a social party on the evening of Monday, December 15. The entertaining was held at Garfield-Fletcher Lodge, and was most successful in every way. Most encouraging of all was the attendance, which jumped from ten or twelve usually present to about forty. The local members declare the meeting was the most successful in the history of the Grand Rapids Association, both in numbers present and the enthusiasm shown.

Among the speakers of the evening was J. C. Cortright, asst. assistant to Coach Macklin, who spoke on the athletic side of the various activities at the College. Charles W. Garfield, ’70, W. E. Wyatt, ’86, and R. Cleland, ’89, told some interesting stories of the college in former days. Miss Gertrude Allen gave a delightful reading, and music was furnished by Colby’s Orchestra. Light refreshments were served during the evening.

The present officers of the Association are: President, Claude C. Hanish, ex-11; vice-president, Amos Trout; secretary-treasurer, Miss Carrie Mitchell, ’12.

With the impetus gained from this meeting, it is expected that Grand Rapids will quickly take her place near the top of the Michigan M. A. C. alumni list.

SENIOR FORESTERS GO SOUTH FOR FIELD WORK

Following the practice of recent years, the senior class in forestry will make good use of the Christmas holidays. After gathering about the parental board for a helping or two of turkey, the various members will say goodbye to the home circle and head them away to the mountains of West Virginia, where a fortnight will be spent getting next to the practical side of things pertaining to the science of forestry.

It is estimated nearly the end of the term that the trip became a certainty. Several circumstances combined to keep the matter in doubt, but through the perseverance of the department heads, the consent of the faculty, as finally obtained, and the men received their orders regarding the schedule to be followed.

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A SONG FOR CHRISTMAS

James Whitcomb Riley

Chant me a rhyme of Christmas
Sing me a jolly song,
And though it is filled with laughter,
Let it be pure and strong.

Sing of the hearth brimmed over
With the story of the day—
Of the echo of childish voices
That will not die away.

Of the blare of the tasseled bugle,
And the timeless clatter and beat
Of the drum that thunders to muster
Squadrons of scurrying feet.

But, O, let your voice all sinner,
Till, bent with a minor zone,
You temper your song with the beauty
Of the pity Christ hath shown.

And sing one verse for the voices,
And yet, ere the song be done,
A verse for the ears that hear not,
And a verse for the sightless one.

For though it be time for singing
A merry Christmas glees,
Let a low, sweet voice of pathos
Run through the melody.

COLLEGE BARBER SHOP
A THING OF THE PAST

When the State Board met at the College last week, the order issued by Secretary Brown terminating the existence of a campus barber shop was ordered continued. With the closing of the College, the students will have to remove his property beyond the limits of the college grounds.

The removal of the bath house barber shop marks the passing of what has come to be considered almost as a part of the institution. Since 1862 "Andy" has been serving the rural cut of student youths, making them over to meet college requirements. His first shop was in a small room in Williams Hall, where he occupied a short time when his increasing popularity and the growing number of students forced him to seek more commodious quarters. After the new bath house was built, he occupied the corner room there until the present time.

"Andy" was not prepared to state just what his plans for the future may be. It is probable that he will endeavor to locate somewhere in East Lansing, where he will still be at home to the students and alumni who visit the college.

ENGINEERING COURSE PROVES ITS UTILITY

Device of Former M. A. C. Man Demonstrates Unity Between Mechanics and Agriculture.

Mechanical ingenuity sharpened, perhaps by engineering work taken at an agricultural college, has enabled C. J. Voorhorst, ex-’02, to produce a device which bids fair to be of genuine value to farmers in all parts of the country. He has recently invented a patent egg crate which permits of the shipment of the precious produce with almost no breakage.

Voorhorst, although not a graduate of the College, spent some little time here as a student in the engineering course. It is entirely possible that his close association with the agricultural students opened his eyes to the needs of the farmer, and for some time he has been at work upon the new egg carrier. All of which merely goes to prove in a practical way one advantage in having a mechanical course as a major part of such an institution as the Michigan Agricultural College.

The idea in the crate is to take advantage of the resistant properties of curved surfaces. The old trick of attempting to break an egg held lengthwise between the palms is well known, as is also the fact that the dome shaped shell of the egg is the source of the resistance. M. A. C. alumni who read this may come across some of the advertisements, which may be recognized by the picture of a man standing on one of the crates. This is the effective test to which the boxes are subjected in proving their strength.

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MERRY CHRISTMAS.

The Record takes this opportunity to extend to every M. A. C. alumnus and ex-student, whoever and wherever they may be, the heartiest greetings of the season, and the best wishes for a happy and prosperous New Year. It is a time of joy, of cordial greetings, of numberless reunions, and of general good cheer.

WE APOLOGIZE.

It is not an easy thing to offer an apology, but The Record feels that some sort of recognition is due the Grand Rapids Alumni Association. The alumni of that city were holding their meeting at the very time the little jolt, which appeared in last week's Record was being prepared. In view of the visible enthusiasm shown, we retract the statement that the association might have been denied the assertion of the president that they were slightly drowsy.

It is to be regretted that The Record was not informed of their intention to hold such a meeting. As the official alumni organ, it should receive advance notices of all such functions, in order that people in other places may know what is doing, and take heed from the example.

The Record has a large and growing circle of supporters, and the number will increase according to the amount of alumni news to be found in its columns. We think the Association ought to hear from Portland, Ore., Los Angeles, Minneapolis, and Chicago in the near future.

PROGRESS.

This issue of The Record marks the termination of the first period under Alumni management, a fact to say whether or not there has been an improvement. The aim has been well known to our readers, to say whether or not there has been an improvement. The aim has been to get the college and of other alumni in the most lively and readable form. We submit that some mistakes have crept in, but it is also believed that an absence of mistakes indicates a lack of endeavor and of progress.

From our own standpoint, the past three months have been productive results may be lacking at present, but the alumni are being located and brought into the fold from time to time. The sphere of influence of The Record has been broadened, although plenty of room for action along this line still remains. Considering the fact that no organized effort has been made to unite the alumni, the Association has reason to feel that much may be done in the coming year.

And just a word about The Record of next year. Beginning January thirtieth, the form of the magazine will be changed. Calls for a different size publication have been growing, and we believe the New Year is as good a time as any. Christmas and New Years are both significant of a new birth and fresh beginnings.

The new Record will be smaller, but with more pages. The pages will be eight by eleven inches, with two columns of type, instead of four. The two columns, however, will each be an inch broader than the present ones. A picture of some college scene will grace the front cover each week. One reason for adopting the new form is the fact that it can be enlarged at any time by the insertion of an extra folder.

The new Dairy Building.

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THE NEW DAIRY BUILDING.

Owing to the distance at which some of the men reside, it was thought best not to have them return to school, and each one will be dependent on his own resources until he arrives at Davis, West Virginia, the place agreed upon as a meeting place. The men will be expected to arrive there within a day or so after Christmas, and will at once proceed to work.

Logging operations in the field will receive the attention of the class during the first few days. Notes will be taken of the methods employed in getting the timber from the forest floor, and an effort will be made to draw a general observation will be made. A small amount of time will doubtless be given over to a study of the general nature of the country.

Naturally enough, the class will follow the logs from the forest to the mill, and a few days will be spent in observing the mill operations. On the way home, it is planned to have the class stop off at many of the large industrial centers, especially those in which wood-working is an important factor, in order that methods and general conditions may be noted. It is planned to have the men all back, ready to begin their college work, on January 5.

These winter excursions to the south have been of great benefit to previous classes, and it is not expected that the jaunt of 1914 will differ in this respect. The weather is usually mild enough to permit of camping out in true woods fashion, and men who have made the trip in former years have come back full of enthusiasm.

STATE BOARD HOLDS REGULAR MEETING.

The regular monthly meeting of the State Board of Agriculture was held at the College on Wednesday of last week. No matters of importance, aside from the routine business, were taken up.

One of the important things discussed, however, was the clock and gong system of regulating classes. This matter has been under consideration for some time, and Dean Bissell was authorized to proceed with an examination of various systems. Nothing definite is yet known as to when the new system will be installed, but, as it appears to be desirable, prospects are that the College bell will soon become a thing of the past as far as its use in summoning the students to classes is concerned.

A milk dealer of East Lansing, in a communication to the Board, had taken exception to the College entering the commercial field. For some time the dairy department has conducted a market milk system, by which good milk, carefully handled, and of a high degree of purity, has been furnished to the public. It was decided that this work was entirely within the province of the College.

The matter of remodeling the interior of the old dairy building, and assigning the rooms left vacant by the removal of the dairy department to its new quarters, was left in the hands of the President and Secretary. The M. A. C. Association hopes to secure at least one of the rooms for its present needs.

The report of the auditor general of the state on the condition of the Secretary's office was presented and accepted.

SNAP THE CRANBERRY.

DINNER GAME SUGGESTED, BUT NOT KNOWN.

This is a game to be played at the Christmas table. When the cranberry sauce is brought on each guest must place a cranberry on the end of a knife, holding the knife in the left hand with the right hand close behind the cranberry. The word "snap," given by the hostess, the cranberry should be snapped with the first finger of the right hand at the target. The game shall be continued until each player has shot away all of his cranberries. The score is counted thus: Hitting the hostess with a cranberry counts one.

Hitting grandpa counts two; grandma, three; Uncle Will, four; Uncle Tom, five, and so on, depending on whom the guests and those around the table are.

A cranberry that goes on the floor is out of play, but one that falls in any person's lap or sticks in the hair or on a coat or dress can be picked up and played again. Anybody that hits anybody else squarely on the nose counts fifty to the lucky player's score. This is a highly diverting game and one that all will enjoy, especially the hostess.—New York World.
Slightly more than a month has passed since the members of M. A. C.'s greatest football machine left their mud-stained uniforms and betook themselves to the erstwhile neglected text-books. The month has been spent in varied pursuits, but the accumulated glory of eight weeks' hard work has not been dimmed in any degree. Nor will it ever be. The passage of years serves only to brighten and enrich such achievements.

Had the season gone wrong, there would have been no reasonable alibi. For once Coach Macklin had the "goods." Julian, Gifford, Gauthier, McCurdy, the two Millers, and Schultz formed a nucleus from which great things were to be expected. Never before have so many veterans responded to the call of the gridiron.

Right here, however, it is only fair to give Coach Macklin the credit which is his due. He taught the boys the game, showed them the plays that worked, and through the whole season kept them working at top speed. It was this speed, drilled into them by the big "boss" which enabled them to outgame and outplay heavier and more experienced teams, and bring in M. A. C. the distinction of having a perfect record with no defeats.

Probably the thing which had as much to do with the success of the Green and White this year as any single factor was the ten-day preliminary workout, held at Pine Lake. About a dozen of the men reported for the practice, and the good effect was noticeable in their playing all through the season. The time spent at the lake was undoubtedly the cause of M. A. C.'s great early condition, which enabled them to sur­ prise the sporting world and turn the football "dope" upside down.

Following the annual routine, Olivet and Alma appeared on College field early in October, and gamely offered themselves as sacrifices to the Farmer machine. Even in these games the team began to show a much more like smoothness of action and a familiarity with the forward pass, which worked to the complete undoing of the Maize and Blue at Ann Arbor on October 18.

M. A. C. defeated Michigan in football on the first time the athletic rivalry was established. She defeated them on their own field, before a crowd which was cordially received, fairly and squarely. Yost's men were completely outclassed in all departments of the game, and the fact that they recovered and finished a wonderful season adds to the glory of the Aggies' record.

One week later, the M. A. C. team, accompanied by some 200 loyal rooters and the band, journeyed to Madison, Wisconsin, to meet the conference champions of 1912. The Badgers had a veteran team, some men of national and sectional reputation, and fears were felt as to the outcome. In the time following the Michigan game, Macklin had organized his entire plan of attack, and Wisconsin took her place with Michigan as our victims. It happened, curiously enough, that the score, 12 to 7, was identical in both cases.

Following the two big victories which had set the West agog, the team experienced the natural slump attendant upon such a strain, but kept on winning games. Buchtel and Mt. Union, both of Ohio, invaded Edwa Lansing and returned unsatisfied. Like more illustrious predecessors, they had been the victims of Julian, Land­ ron, et al. Buchtel furnished but little trouble, but Mt. Union remembered the close game they had played with Michigan earlier in the season, and started in to do things to the Aggies.

For the first and only time during the season, M. A. C. fans experienced the sensation of being behind. The Ohioans scored first on a pretty forward pass, but the local men were not long in evening up the count. Shortly afterward another touchdown and goal gave M. A. C. the lead, and eventually the game.

What might almost be termed an intersectional game occurred as the farce season on November 15, when the University of South Dakota, a strong western aggregation, met the victorious Aggies. The team furnished plenty of opportunity, and the position was, for the most part, clean and well played. The habit of winning was strong in Macklin's crew, however, and the visitors returned to their home town with the short end of a 19 to 15 verdict.

The game, although played in a snow storm, on a slow field, was witnessed by the largest home crowd of the season, many alumni being in the stands.

One count of their unbreakable record, many tempting offers for post-season games were re­ ceived by the M. A. C. administration. Notre Dame, Chicago, and Nebraska were three unde­ feated teams desiring to meet the Green and White in extra games. Exceptional terms were offered in every case, and financial it would have been un­ fair to the athletic department. Coach Macklin had announced that there would be no post-season games, and he stuck firmly by his statement. In many quarters it was felt that Macklin was overcreditable in the local management to waive consideration of such contests. The season closed, coming from the State university, desires of a return game, who were willing to grant $5,000 or a split of the gate receipts.

Of this year's wonderful eleven, but two men are lost through graduation, quarterback Gauthier and Captain Gif­ ford being seniors. George Jul­ ian, the sensational fullback who received honorable mention on practically every all-star team in the West, is the next captain, and prospects are exceedingly bright. Leonardson, the old reliable guard and punt­ er, was the man who received the real notice, being selected as guard on two all-star teams — Eckersall's all-western in the Chicago Triunae, and the all-American team picked by Grantland Rice, of New York.

The Record.

M. A. C. 25 Olivet ..... 0
M. A. C. 57 Alma ..... 0
M. A. C. 12 Michigan ..... 7
M. A. C. 12 Wisconsin ..... 7
M. A. C. 41 Buchtel ..... 0
M. A. C. 13 Mt. Union ..... 7
M. A. C. 19 South Dakota 7
M. A. C. 180 Opponents ..... 28

Eastern Basketball Journey Called Off

On account of the inability of the management to secure the necessary game, it was deemed wise to cancel the proposed eastern trip of the basketball squad which was to have taken place early in January. Three games which had been scheduled with Cornell, Rochester and Brockton could not furnish funds sufficient to meet the expenses of the jaunt, and suitable dates could not be obtained with the other colleges with whom contests were de­ sired.

The cancelling of the three games above mentioned gives the team an opportunity for more practice before the regular season opens, and will doubtless help them prepare in rounding into the best form.

George E. Gauthier

The M. A. C. basketball squad will be led this winter by George E. Gauthier, of Detroit. Gau­ thier is playing his fourth year as a member of Green and White fives, and bids fair to reach his best form this season.

He has always played the forward position, being fast and exceedingly accurate in shoot­ ing for baskets. Prospects now are that Gauthier, whose name is pronounced "Goe-her," will lead one of the best five M. A. C. has produced.

Aside from basketball, Gau­ thier has been one of the best all-around men in his class. For two seasons he held down the quarterback job on the football team, and has done some track work. He has also been a mem­ ber of the athletic board of control.

The fact that he is a member of Tau Beta Pi speaks well for his academic ability. His pop­ ularity with the students is at­tested to by the fact that he is president of the Student Coun­ cil. One of the hard-working sort, full of " Pep" and the rare ability to transmit it to others, is Captain Gauthier.

Coach J. F. Macklin left for the East last Wednesday, to spend the Christmas holidays with his family. In his absence, I. J. Cortright is handling the affairs of the athletic office.
BUSY SEASON AHEAD FOR VETERINARY DEPARTMENT

If present indications are to be taken at their face value, the new building for the veterinary department will not be completed too soon to adequately handle the work of this growing division of the college.

In spite of the lack of the best facilities for handling the work, the regular enrollment in this course has increased from 22 last year to 35 at the present time, and in the opinion of members of the department an even greater number of students in this work may be looked for next year. Although the conditions are somewhat unfavorable, owing to crowding, the men in the course are doing good work and have excellent prospects, as the demand for good veterinaries is large.

Aside from the kind of students turned out, the value of any institution must, to a large extent, be reckoned in terms of actual service to its constituents, and in this field the College of Veterinary Science ranks high. A glance at the clinical records is enough to convince any one of this fact.

From the opening of college in the fall of 1912 to December of the same year, a total of 69 clinical cases were reported. For the same period in 1913 the records show a total of 142 similar cases having received treatment. Dogs, horses, cattle, pigs and cats are included in the list of animal patients cared for at the veterinary hospital. The majority of cases for treatment come from the vicinity of the college, but a few instances were found where animals had been brought from triple and Leslie similar in service.

The total number of cases for last year was around 350. Judging from the recent past, Dr. B. H. Fair and his assistants will have handled more than 750 cases by next June.

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