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STATE BOARD MEETING.

At the regular monthly meeting of the State Board of Agriculture held at the President’s office, last Wednesday, every member of the Board was present.

The request of the Union Literary Society relative to the privilege of enlarging their society house to furnish dormitory facilities was referred to a faculty committee, as was also a petition by the Delphic Society, asking for a lease for a lot for society house.

The resignation of A. R. Potts was accepted. Certain letters from T. Glenn Phillips were ordered copied and sent to the Board members. C. H. Spurway, of the soils department, was granted leave of absence.

A resolution of the faculty in regard to holidays and the opening and closing of the College terms was approved. The holidays defined are Thanksgiving Day, Washington’s birthday, Memorial Day, and Independence Day. The opening of the fall term is set as being the third Tuesday after the first Wednesday in September; the term continuing 13 weeks. Tuesday of the third week following the close of the fall term is the opening date for the winter term, which continues 12 weeks. Tuesday of the second week following the close of the winter term is the opening of the spring term, which term closes on Tuesday of the 12th week. The summer term continues six weeks from the closing of the spring term.

The President and Secretary were requested to formulate and present to the Board a plan for bringing the Farmers’ Institutes under the College Extension Department, and also a plan of organization for the entire extension work.

A resolution of the State Grange relative to the resignation of President Snyder was inserted in the minutes of the Board. Also a letter from W. L. Carpenter expressing appreciation for the resolutions by the Board touching his service, was made a part of the minutes.

Mr. Darlington, instructor in botany, gave a talk on sheep grazing in the Blue Mountains at the Forestry Club meeting last week. Darlington has made a very exhaustive investigation of this subject, giving particular attention to the carrying capacity of the range, plants eaten, damage to brush and loss of vigor to plants. He pointed out that in the "herding method" of grazing, only about one-third of the range is utilized.

NORTHEAST MICHIGAN ASSOCIATION.

The second annual banquet of the Northeast Michigan M. A. C. Association was held at the Bay City Club, Friday, March 12th. Thirty-one people sat down to a fine feast. In the absence of President E. C. Peters, ’93, of Saginaw, Vice President McKinnon, ex-’95, took charge of the meeting and after reading a telegram of regret from Peters, who was in Grand Rapids, turned the program over to A. McVittie, ’11, who called on E. P. Robinson, ’07, "Bob" Wallace, ex-’08, and Morrice Cortright, ex-’13. Secretary A. M. Brown was present from the College and gave a very comprehensive talk regarding the needs and development of the institution and excited a much more active interest on the part of those present for M. A. C.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, A. C. McKinnon, Bay City; vice president, Morrice Cortright, Bay City; secretary, E. P. Robinson, Saginaw; treasurer, Z. E. Colby, Bay City. The executive committee will consist of E. C. Peters, of Saginaw; Robert Wallace, of Bay Port, and C. A. Hach, of Saginaw.

There seemed to be some sentiment favoring an occasional luncheon through the year and this will be attempted.

The following alumni and former students, not mentioned above, were present: L. A. Roeller, Bay City, H. E. Aldrich, ’14, Saginaw; W. L. Mason, Saginaw; W. E. Wilson, ’66, Bay City; F. H. Bach, ’01, Saginaw; F. H. Kishpaugh, ex-’93m, Bay City; D. H. Ellis, ’07, Saginaw; G. M. Eradford, ex-’91, Bay City; C. R. Garlock, ’14, Bay City; Frank Merritt, ex-’12, Bay City; A. J. Beebe, ex-’93m, Saginaw; George Massnick, ex-’13, Bay City.

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Charlotte—March 26th.
Battle Creek—March 27th.
Kalamazoo—March 29th.
Niles—March 30th.
Benton Harbor—March 31st.
Holland—April 30th.
Grand Haven—April 2d.
Muskegon—April 3d.
Belding—April 5th.
Portland—April 6th.
East Lansing—April 16th.
Lansing—April 23d.
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NEXT RECORD APRIL 6TH.

Next week is spring vacation, and there will be
no Record issued until April 6th. While this vaca­
tion for the Record is not necessary because of lack
of news, it certainly is from the standpoint of
finances. When does your subscription expire?

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THE GLEE AND MANDOLIN CLUBS.

In this issue are given the picture of the Glee
and Mandolin Clubs and also their schedule of per­
formances this spring, most of which occur during
the spring vacation, which begins Friday, March
26th. In connection with the announcement of this
schedule it seems appropriate to speak of the sup­
port that this representative college organization
should receive at the hands of the alumni and former
students in the various places. And upon the advice
of the manager of these clubs we learn that with
the exception of one place, this support has been en­
tirely lacking. It may be that co-operation with
the alumni office was not started early enough in
the season. Most certain it is that alumni support
has been little, compared to support which the sim­
ilar organizations of other institutions have received.

In many places the local college organization have
eagerly sought after the appearance of these musi­
cal clubs and have financially stood back of them.
It is sincerely hoped that M. A. C.'s organization
may receive more attention in the future.

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DETOIT BANQUET.

The Detroit M. A. C. Association expects to out­
shine all other local reunions this week Friday,
when the annual banquet occurs at the Hotel Tuller,
6:30 p. m. Gov. Ferris will be the principal speaker.
President and Mrs. J. L. Snyder, Prof. Frank Kedzie
and Prof. Walter French will be present from the
College.

DR. CHARLES E. BESSEY.

Dr. Bessey was a senior while the writer was a
sophomore, and as his detail was that of collecting
plants for the class in botany, I doubtless handled
many specimens that he had brought from the fields
and woods, and thereby may have taken second hand
from him a proclivity for plants. To me Dr. Bessey
seemed old in those days—seniors are grave and
reverent, and he was particularly so in part, per­
haps because of the full black beard he wore with
grace.

Passing over some years, it was my pleasure to
meet Prof. Bessey at the M. A. C. while he was tak­ing
his bride from the former insular New England
home to the new one at the Iowa Agricultural Col­
lege. Prof. Bessey was at that time trying to whip
me into shape for life's work by keeping me largely
upon grasses with a great stock of microscopic
mounts added as a relish—and so I dined with the
honored guests and the small group of botanists.

Perhaps two years later Dr. Bessey and I were
table mates in Dr. Farlow's laboratory, where a fine
collection of Iowa fungi had been brought for filling
in of a winter vacation.

After other years there came the transfer of Dr.
Bessey to the University of Nebraska, and another
M. A. C. man was installed in his stead at Ames.
It has been a particular pleasure to me that I had the
honor to take up the work that Dr. Bessey laid down.
The botanical soil in Iowa was in such good tilth
and the proper seed so judiciously planted that the
crop of students came in spite of any lack upon my
part. The atmosphere of the College had become
more than botanically inclined and it was a keen
satisfaction to note, from time to time, that the
labors of the real teacher live after him in the hearts
and lives of the taught. The blackboard drawings
that I found upon my first day in the lecture room
were erased regretfully, because a master hand had
made them and I desired to keep them as a constant
reminder of Dr. Bessey's knowledge and skill.

It was an easy matter to gather from his former
pupils that he made them feel that it was better to
know than to be known. He opened their eyes to the
measureless world around them and they became
truth seekers for truth sake. He led them to love
life intensely among all its higher values as inter­
preted through the eyes of a botanist, and it is no
wonder that so many followed in his footsteps as
inspiring teachers.

Dr. Bessey’s impress upon science was grand, and
botanists throughout the world, while thankful for
the courageous exponent of all things truly phytolog­
ical, must needs pause, wistfully, with moistened eyes,
and realize that this earthly life has ended—abound­
ing in the works of the Lord.

BYRON D. HALSTEAD, '71.
New Brunswick, N. J.

Joseph Rosen, ’08, has been recently made head
of the Baron de Hirsch school at Woodbine, N. J.,
at a very handsome salary.
HOME ECONOMICS DIVISION HAS NEW COURSE OF STUDY.

Dean White and the heads of the various departments in the Home Economics Division have completed a new course of study for the girls which has just been accepted by the faculty and which will go into effect next fall. The key to the new course of study is the reduction of the number of subjects pursued in any one term by the unifying and combination of courses previously given and the necessary increase in number of credits allotted to some subjects. In the new course the idea of pursuing some subject, such as a science, through several terms to a logical conclusion is fostered, for it is felt that by so doing an outlook will be given to the students that will be valuable because of the training received as well as for the information obtained.

Formerly it has been considered that seven sciences were required, viz.: Chemistry, physics, bacteriology, physiology, entomology, zoology, and botany. Under the new system the first four will be required and the latter three put over to the junior and senior years as electives. Ten credits will be required in bacteriology where only five were before. Physics has been advanced from a seven-credit subject to ten. In the freshman year, a slight option will be offered to those who desire to go on with language work started in high school, this privilege to be obtained, however, from the head of the department, and whatever is selected must be carried throughout the year.

What are considered the best technical courses have been saved for the senior year. There has been added, in this year, a five-credit course in home economics which will include a general survey of the whole field of home economics and a careful study of the relation of the home to the community and to society. The H. E. Division thinks that in the new course there is a much more logical and up-to-date presentation of the various subjects and looks for much good to come from the change.

M. A. C. ASSOCIATION OF PORTLAND, OREGON.

On February 27th the annual M. A. C. banquet was held. Through unavoidable circumstances but eighteen were present at the feed, though we made up for the shortage in numbers by a little more gaiety than usual.

The old members told many humorous happenings of their past days at College, from stealing cheese to ducking Proxy and expressed deep regret that the College fountain went dry.

We have lost two active members lately: Mrs. Dora Skeels Post, '06, and family, who have moved to Palo Alto, Cal., and Mr. and Mrs. John Decker, '04, who are ranching in eastern Oregon. We have gained two active members through matrimony, Mrs. James Shaw, '10, and Mrs. J. Verne Gongwer, '08.

Howard E. Weed, '89, has recently been appointed supervisor of nature study in the public schools of Portland. C. J. Voorhorst, '84, has recently purchased a drug store here in the city. Gordon Stuart, '92, is now owner of the bill boards of a number of small towns in southern Washington, with residence at Vancouver, Wash. L. H. Harza, instructor in mathematics from '02 to '04, is on the engineering staff of the Celilo Canal project on the Columbia river, with offices in Portland, Ore.

Keep the M. A. C. Reunion at the Fair a live subject and let all remember to pay a visit to Portland on the way.

K. B. Stevens, '06, Sec. and Treas.

PORTRAIT FUND AND REUNION.

Jay D. Stannard, '76, engineer with the U. S. Reclamation Service, with headquarters at Alamosa, Colo., has the following to say regarding the portrait fund and the alumni reunion in June:

Dear Record:

Enclosed herewith please find money order for my subscription and contribution to the portrait fund.

If you do not get enough for the portraits, just call on the older boys who will be very glad to contribute more.

I presume that all the older boys feel as I do in this matter, that we cannot do too much to perpetuate the memory of those great men who did so much to establish the character of M. A. C. and who were beloved by all who knew them.

Will you kindly furnish me with the addresses of the boys of '76. We should make an extra effort to attend the next reunion, as it is the fortieth anniversary.

Contributors to the portrait fund since last published are: P. H. Felker, '71, Lucy M. Woodworth, '93; J. D. Stannard, '76.

While the portraits will cost more than it was first anticipated, it is believed that fully enough contributions will come in. However, it is hoped that all who wish to make a contribution will let the alumni secretary know at once.

"CAPTAIN OF PLYMOUTH" MAKES HIT.

The first musical comedy ever staged by M. A. C. students was given under the auspices of the Lansing Women's Club House Association at the Gladstone Theatre on February 27th. The comedy was centered about the courtship of Miles Standish, Ned Lacey playing admirably the part of the Captain. Miss Doris Marvin, as Priscilla, and Roy Hamilton, as John Alden, scored the hits of the evening. Other prominent M. A. C. people in the cast were: Norma Vedder, Capt. "Carp" Julian, Blake Miller, Hewitt Miller, E. G. Smith, G. Karl Fisher, Prof. R. C. Huston.

NEWS AND COMMENT.

In the tenth rifle match last week M. A. C. defeated Purdue by the score 982 to 916. Washington State held the high score of the week, winning from Michigan, 993 to 935. The Massachusetts Aggies also shot 982.

The March Bulletin of the University of Michigan is a bulletin of information addressed to the legislature of 1915 and the people of Michigan. The following table taken from this bulletin is of general interest, being a comparison of receipts from the state of several universities:

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The totals for M. A. C. and U. of M. are added together to make the figures comparable with the other universities. Thus, students in Michigan are being taken care of at much less cost than those of other states. Incidentally this table shows that the cost per student at M. A. C. is very low and insofar as this low cost is due to underpaid instructors, we are not proud of the showing.
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Athletics.
The past week has been extremely favorable for
increased interest and enthusiasm for the various
outdoor athletics. While most of the baseball prac-
tice has been engaged in in the cage in the agricul-
tural pavilion, the outdoor condition has had fa-
vorable influence. At the present the line-up of dia-
mound heroes looks about as follows: Capt. Bibbins,
catcher, with C. V. Bloom and Donaldson as re-
serves; Weeder looks best in the box, although La-
fever, Brown and Carl Peterson are working out in
good form; Frimodig will hold down first; Fuller,
second, and Hood, third; Fick will have his old
position at shortstop, though Murphy and Thomas
are showing up good on the infield. The outfielders
are Clark, Williams, Hendershot and Werden. Much
new material is expected to show up with the be-
 tweening of outdoor practice next term.
The track schedule is bound to bring out the in-
terest in this department and includes a meet with
Notre Dame at M. A. C. May 22; Michigan Fresh.
here May 15; Interscholastic, June 5. On April 24th
a relay team will be sent East to engage in the Penn.
Relay, and on June 5th the relay team will be sent
to the Western Conference meet at Chicago.

Alumni Notes.
Word has come that Mary Pennington Otto, ’11,
is the mother of a nine and one-half pound boy,
born March 15th.
Jim Waldron, ’09a, has recently returned from
Carlton, Minn., and has taken up the management
of the home farm at Tecumseh.
Francis Kirk, ’14, Marion Sly, ’14, Mrs. Laura
Morse Kimball, ex-’13, and Mr. and Mrs. Herbert
Duthie, ’13, were back for the Feronian party on
the 13th.
George E. Martin, ’04e, is chief engineer and gen-
eral manager of the Diamond T Motor Car Co., 432
W. Superior St., Chicago, with residence at 4636
Sheridan Road.
Mrs. Fred Woodworth, ex-’01, spent last Monday
at the College. Fred Woodworth, ’98, of Caseville,
is a State Senator and Mr. and Mrs. Woodworth are
living in Lansing temporarily.
Gladys Harvey, ex-’15, Blanche Lowry, ex-’15,
Molly Karr, ex-’14, Mabel Runyan, ex-’15, were at
the College for the Erskine party held in the
Agricultural Hall on the 13th.
P. V. Ross, ’95, has an excellent article in the Yale
Law Journal for March, on the “Metaphysical Treat-
m ent of Diseases as the Practice of Medicine. Ross,
formerly an attorney at law, is now a Christian Sci-
ence practitioner in the Pacific Bldg., San Fran-
cisco.
G. P. Springer, ’11e, has joined the ranks of the
benefits. On March 6th he was married to Miss
Josephine A. Carlson, of Chicago. Mr. and Mrs.
Springer will live in Hyattsville, Md. G. P. is in-
structor in civil engineering in the Maryland Agri-
cultural College at College Park, Md.

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The M. A. C. Record:
Have just been looking over the Record for March
9th. It seems to me a very good paper. I suppose
I ought to know something about College papers,
and more or less about farm papers. I was the
first business manager of the old spectrum. The
first number was issued in 1881, with L. H. Bailey
editor-in-chief, and Dr. Deal the representative of
the Faculty. I think this was the first paper issued

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by Agricultural College students. The Record is an excellent paper, bright, newey and clean. What I like about it particularly is the fact that it has genuine editorial character. My experience is that the public hunt for character on the editorial page, as they never did before. I notice that on page five of this issue you ask for addresses of various people. I think you will find Cyrus T. Crandall, ’80, at Oxford, N. Y. I had a note from him last year, stating that he had come East to grow up with the country. Cyrus is really big enough now without growing up any further. However, there is plenty of room in our eastern country for men to broaden out and grow bigger. When I went West, so many years ago now that I don’t like to remember them, it was thought that all the good farming chances were West of the Lakes. We think at this end of the country now that this condition has been reversed, and that there are better farm opportunities on the 200-mile strip along the upper Atlantic than can be found in any other part of the world. A large statement you will say, perhaps, but we think we can back it up.

It gives me great pleasure to read the Record. It is, I think, a true mirror, showing what the old boys are doing, or trying to do.

Yours truly,
H. W. Collingwood, Editor.

NEWS AND COMMENT.

The Omicron Nu held one of the two literary meetings of the term last week.

The deficiency bill of $28,000 was passed by the Senate last Friday and given immediate effect.

At the present time conditions in the legislature look very favorable for the passing of the one-fifth mill tax.

The electrical department has recently received a new Wolff potentiometer from Germany that successfully passed the blockade.

Prof. V. M. Shoesmith organized branches of the Michigan Experiment Association at Otter Lake, Mt. Pleasant, Tecumseh, and Jonesville last week. Geo. Wheeler, ’14, is president of the new organization at Mt. Pleasant.

A delightful “Military” was held in the Armory last Saturday night. The decorations represented a fort. The College orchestra furnished the music and the party was chaperoned by Sergeant and Mrs. P. J. Cross and Prof. and Mrs. R. C. Saxton.

The Home Economics Division entertained the members of the House and Senate Club and their friends last Thursday afternoon. The membership of this club consists of the wives of the State Senators and Representatives. About seventy-five people were served.

It has just been decided that the M. A. C. band will attend the annual conclave of the Michigan Knights Templar, held in Calumet, June 8, 9 and 10. The band of fifty pieces will leave Lansing, embarking at Grand Haven, June 7, on the special boat chartered for the Templars.

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ALUMNI NOTES.

A. B. Peebles, '77, is Congregational minister at Rutland, Mass.

L. L. Drake, '03, is in the creamery business at Maple City, Mich.

Jack Snellink, '13e, of Grand Rapids, was a College visitor last week.

Mrs. A. H. Stone (Mary Knaggs, '01), is at present in Sanford, Fla.

Marjorie Bird Coplan, '11, is teaching domestic science and art in the Cadillac high school.

Mrs. Emma Allen Cheney, ex-'lOh, of 1809 Woodward Ave., Detroit, spent last week with her parents in East Lansing.

Glenn A. Barcroft, '10e, finished his work in the Canal Zone some time last summer and is now making his headquarters at Freeport, Mich.

J. C. Morgan, ex-'78, is in the produce, cold storage and vinegar business in Traverse City, besides being a fruit farmer. His son, Howard C. Morgan, ex-'13, is working with him.

H. F. Miners, '13a, formerly with the North American Fruit Exchange in Chicago, has been transferred to the New York office. F. L. Granger, '13a, with the same company, is at Laredo, Texas, on a large onion proposition.

The office is in receipt of a "Safety, Health, and Better Living" bulletin gotten out by the Ford Motor Company to promote good health and citizenship among the employes. G. C. Sheffield, '12, did the work on this bulletin.

Arlie D. Badour, '12a, is in the landscape gardening business in Minneapolis. He writes that Pete Mead, '12, recently made him a visit on his way to Bismarck, N. D., and as they were walking up Nicollet Ave. they met "Chuck" Vedder, who is now a traveling salesman, and later B. F. Ellis, '12, who was living there.

R. J. McCarthy, '14f, spent last weekend at the College. McCarthy has just passed through a novel experience. He was working with the Wykoff Preservative Co., of Portsmouth, Va. Conditions did not suit him at the plant, so he resigned. He was away from the plant one day and then word came that he was elected superintendent, so he is now very busy reorganizing the work and making the plant efficient.

The Daily Ledger, of Tacoma, Wash., March 7th, contains a picture of Zoe Wimple, sp. '02 and '03, and announces her engagement to Dr. F. P. Calkins, of Ellensburg, Wash. The wedding takes place some time in April and Mr. and Mrs. Calkins will live in Ellensburg, where the doctor is engaged in private practice. Miss Wimple has been pure food inspector in the city of Tacoma, and state bakery inspector. The above paper was sent by Lucile Fleming, with '04.