PROPOSED LEGISLATION TO ESTABLISH ENGINEERING EXPERIMENT STATIONS.

At the meeting of the Engineering Division of the Association of American Agricultural Colleges and Experiment Stations, held in Washington, D. C., Nov. 14, 15, 16, and 17, one of the most important discussions taken up was that concerning the "proposed legislation to establish engineering experiment stations" at land grant colleges, comparable to the agricultural experiment stations established by the Hatch Act in 1887.

The discussion hinged upon the Newlands bill, introduced into the last Congress by Senator Newlands of Nevada, and known as the "land grant engineering experiment station bill," the passage of which, it was pointed out, should contribute greatly in increasing the industrial efficiency of the United States. Section 2 of the act says:

"It shall be the object and duty of said experiment stations to conduct original researches, to verify experiments, and to compile data in engineering and other branches of the mechanic arts as applied to the interests of the people of the United States, and particularly of such as are engaged in the industries; also to conduct researches, investigations, and experiments in connection with the production, transportation, extraction, and manufacture of substances utilized in the application of engineering and of (Continued on page 4.)
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MOVEMENT TO RAISE ATHLETIC STANDING.

What is hailed as the greatest forward movement in athletics was aired at the athletic office last Tuesday night when, at the invitation of Hugh J. Glazier, '97, representatives of the Lansing Automobile Club met with representative faculty men and students to explain what the Auto Club is doing and proposes to do for M. A. C. athletics, and get a secure the cooperation of college and alumni organizations.

Opportunity was also taken to clear up some alleged misunderstandings on the part of College faculty men and students as to the real purposes of the Auto Club. "We have no ulterior or sinister motive in our interest in M. A. C. athletics," said Lee Briggs, president of the Auto Club. "We are Lansing business men representing business interests, and our concern goes only as far as seeing M. A. C. develop winning teams. We are getting along in years when we do not actively take part in athletics such as baseball and football and we want something to play with."

Mr. Briggs further outlined their purpose as follows: "We have a list of the monogram winners at M. A. C. for the past 16 years and purpose to write a series of letters urging them to send us good athletes. They will keep us informed as to the likely ones in their various communities and we will keep a card index of these, giving us their weight, position they play, when they will graduate from high schools or preparatory schools, and the difficulties we are likely to encounter in getting them to attend M. A. C. Then we will bring all possible legitimate pressure to bear to get them to make a right decision, using alumni, the Varsity Club, and other students now in college.

"Just now we are interested in football material. Now is the time to size it up. We cannot have any influence on the 1917 team for the material for this is now in college, but by 1918 we ought to have a 'world beater.' If we find that among these candidates some would be held back for financial reasons we will see that they get a job in Lansing during the summer that will help them materially. Our club has members representing almost every industry in Lansing. If a man is especially good we will see that he gets an especially good job."

Prof. L. C. Plant, president of the athletic board of control, spoke in favor of the plan, saying that he saw where a great deal of good could come from it. G. O. Stewart, editor of the Holeder, gave some strong arguments as to why the plan should be put through and should have the cooperation of every organization represented. The relation the Varsity Club bears to this whole movement was shown that three members of the Auto Club now have honorary membership in the Varsity Club.

The meeting adjourned after some discussion as to the methods of promoting the plan in which all the various organizations would take a part, and it was decided to have a committee made up of members of each organization in order that all might be kept informed as to the progress.

OBITUARY.

The Record has just received notice of the death of Lewis Vanderbilt, who was the last living member of the class of 1854. Death occurred August 18, at Memphis, Michigan.

Lewis Vanderbilt was born at Lyons, N. Y., Nov. 20, 1833. When less than four years of age his father purchased 200 acres of wild land near Memphis, Michigan. He entered the University of Michigan in 1855, but owing to the death of two brothers, was obliged to leave before the end of his first year. In 1861 he entered M. A. C. and graduated with four others in 1864, being the oldest member of the class.

In 1865 Mr. Vanderbilt was married to Miss Jane E. Blakely. They later moved to Iowa where Mrs. Vanderbilt died in 1878. After five years Mr. Vanderbilt again married, taking for his bride Miss Alice Chambers of New York. The new Prudden Auditorium will be host to the conference and provision is being made to entertain a thousand boys. The College will charter special cars which will bring the boys to the College about 3 p.m. Each car will be met by four of the college Y. M. C. A. boys and in a whirlwind trip of 45 minutes the entire campus will be covered. The College itinerary is being made to entertain a thousand boys. The College will charter special cars which will bring the boys to the College about 3 p.m. Each car will be met by four of the college Y. M. C. A. boys and in a whirlwind trip of 45 minutes the entire campus will be covered. The College itinerary will end at the Armoury, where, upon entering, the boys will be given ham sandwiches and cocoa and entertained by the M. A. C. band.

A short snappy program is being prepared by Secretary Heffley of the college "Y," and will consist of the following: Address of Welcome by President Kedzie; Introduction of the M. A. C. Football Team; Readings by Prof. C. E. Mitchell; and Fancy Gymnastics under the direction of Coach G. E. Gauthier.

In addition to the entertainment which M. A. C. is providing for the state Y. M. C. A. boys, Mr. Faunce has gotten out a very neat little leaflet containing pictures and news of M. A. C. and blank pages for notes of the Conference. These will be passed out at the beginning of the conference.
THE ATHLETIC SITUATION.

We ask the readers of the Record to give their most earnest attention to the proposed method, outlined in this issue, of putting M. A. C. forward in the athletic league. It is pointed out that merely to compete will only put the M. A. C. teams at a disadvantage. We must exert every influence possible to get good athletic material for M. A. C. teams. And the alumni, especially those who played on former M. A. C. teams, are particularly enjoined to be on the lookout.

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Careful Weighing Needed.

If it is true that there are far-reaching organizations among the colleges of this country, and among outside interests associated with these colleges, to obtain the best athletes, isn't it also true that we are carrying on this intercollegiate athletic competition too far? Isn't it true that some athletic organization rise up and establish a reputation for doing something better than is allowed at other institutions? We cannot carry out this "keeping up with Lizzie" for ever.

Colleges and Universities do not exist to produce winning athletic teams as a fundamental object. And they could somehow go on in their educational way if intercollegiate athletics were abandoned altogether.

The present acme of development of the organization for intercollegiate competition grows out of the fundamental object for which athletics were established, that of healthy participation of the whole student body, with the best surviving to represent the institutions urgent agents in getting new students, but we prefer that in the arguments laid down by the alumni before candidates for admission, they would inculcate in a student body of the things we put forth as fundamental in educational institutions. We doubt if it is the right idea to leave or inculcate in a student body that the athletic department of an institution stands primarily for winning varsity teams. We doubt if this is the idea that prospective students should be obsessed with. Of course we admit that there is room for argument in all our three points, and we do not hearthly that the alumni should be an institution's urgent agents in getting new students, but we prefer that in the arguments laid down by the alumni before candidates for admission, they would inculcate in a student body of the things we put forth as fundamental in educational institutions.

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REGARDING PROPOSED LEGISLATION TO ESTABLISH ENGINEERING EXPERIMENT STATIONS.

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other branches of the mechanical arts to industrial pursuits; water supplies as to porability and economic distribution; sewage purification and its ultimate inoffensive disposal; economic disposal of urban and manufacturing wastes; flood protection; road building; engineering problems connected with transportation, manufacturing, and public utilities; and such other researches or experiments bearing directly on the various industries and occupations of the people of the United States as may in each case be deemed advisable, having due regard to the varying conditions, resources, and needs of the people of the respective States and Territories."

Section 3 of this act provides for the publishing of bulletins at these stations at least once in six months. Section 4 sets the sum to be appropriated for these stations at $15,000 per annum for each institution. This is the same amount appropriated for agricultural experiment stations in the Hatch Act. The Hatch Act was followed, however, by the Adams Act, in 1906, setting aside an additional $15,000.

The executive committee of the American Association of Agricultural Colleges and Experiment Stations recommended, at the recent meeting, the passage of this bill. Following the meetings in Washington a number of representatives of the land grant colleges, of which Dean G. W. Bissell was one, some members of the National Research Council, and representatives of separate state universities met in New York City and discussed this question very thoroughly. From all the data that can be gathered it seems as if this bill has a very good chance of passing during the next Congress.

The regular meeting of the Hort. club last week was addressed by T. A. Farrand, county agent for Allegan county. Other speakers were Robert Morrill, prominent horticulturist; Alfred Benall, county agent; Dr. Safro, specialist with the Tobacco Products Co.

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NOVEMBER STATE BOARD MEETING.

The November meeting of the State Board of Agriculture convened at the President's office last Wednesday at 11 o'clock. There were present President Kedzie, Messrs. Graham, Doherty, Waterbury, and Woodman.

The following were some of the most important matters which received the attention of the Board:

The Chairman of the Board and the Secretary were directed to deed to the Public Domain Commission for a consideration of $1,60, a tract of land of 80 acres, located near Grayling and formerly used for experimental purposes by the College. (This land was turned over to the College in 1888 and some experiments were carried on but nothing has been done for some years as there seemed to be no use of continuing the work there.)

Prof. Geo. A. Brown and Mr. Ed- wards of the Animal Husbandry de- partment were given permission to accompany the senior class to the Inter- national Live Stock Exposition at Chi- cago Dec. 4 to 6, and also to attend the meeting of the American Society of Animal Production at the University of Illinois Dec. 1 and 2, total expenses being allowed for the former and transportation for the latter.

It was voted to employ Robert McManus as herdsman for live stock at the barns, beginning Jan. 1, 1917.

The recommendation of Dr. Bessey as to the employment of Ezra Levin, beginning July 1, was approved, and the matter of arranging his line of work and department relationship was referred to a committee consisting of Mr. Woodman, the President, and the Secretary.

Dr. Giltner and Dean Lyman were given permission to attend the meeting of the United States Live Stock Sanitary Association in Chicago the first week of December, Dr. Giltner also to attend the meeting of the Society of American Bacteriologists; the latter also to attend the meeting of the Association of State and Provincial Veterinary Colleges.

The request of Prof. Clark for an additional student assistant in the Chemical department was approved.

A detailed report from Prof. Eus- tace was read relative to a conference which he and Dr. Kedzie had held with Mr. Charles E. Greening, president of the Greening Nursery Co. of Monroe, in which Mr. Greening urged the appointment of a State Horticultural Commissioner. He was very frank in his criticism of what he termed the lack of efficient work in orchard and nursery inspection. He submitted a plan for the inspection of trees to be taken up by a commission of horticulturists to promote the horticultural interests of the State of Michigan."

F. W. Fabian was appointed as in-
COUNTY AGENTS' CONFERENCE.

All county agricultural agents in Michigan, except one, were present at the annual round-up at the College last week to settle upon and discuss the various projects which will be pushed the coming year.

Previous to the regular meetings the specialists in the various departments of the College met in committee with county agents and drew up written recommendations which were brought before the conference for discussion. This was very thorough in each case and the projects were either accepted as presented or else amended. The work of the general office at the College now consists of sending to each agent typewritten reports of the projects. These will be considered by each county man, who will choose the projects fitted to his needs and adapt them to his local condition. His work during the winter will be largely educational—getting his constituents acquainted with the projects and enlisting their support.

One of the features of the meeting was an inspiring talk by C. B. Smith, '94, chief of extension work for the U. S. Depatrt, North and West. He said: "Michigan stands third among the states in the number of county agents. New York leads with 36, Indiana has 22, and Michigan 26, with three more ready."

Mr. Smith spoke at some length upon the co-operative features of the Smith-Lever bill and paid a compliment to the far-sightedness of the congressmen who pushed it. "They contemplated co-operative extension in the county agent work, junior extension work, marketing, and home econom-

ies," said Mr. Smith. "And I know of no state where the co-operative features as outlined in the original intentions of these men has been better carried out than in Michigan. Michigan should be congratulated especially on her early creation of a department of markets to work upon this most important question, which all of us know so little about. We believe also that ultimately we will have a woman county agent in every county. This work is just being taken up. Some of the eastern states have several women agents; Michigan has one."


FARMER'S INSTITUTE LECTURERS MEET.

In addition to the conference of county agents and specialists the farmers' institute lecturers held several meetings, sometimes meeting with the county agents and sometimes...
alone. They went over the work which they will present this winter very carefully and all expressed themselves at the end of the conference as feeling much surer of their ground than ever before, and hopeful of accomplishing much more in their institute lectures. About 15 of the state speakers were present.

FRESHMEN WIN AT MT. PLEASANT.

Coach Beatty's All-Fresh squad "beat-up" Blake Miller's Mt. Pleasant Normal eleven last Wednesday by a score of 14 to 0.

The game was played in the mud but the report is that the M. A. C. freshmen showed team work which a varsity coaching might well have been proud of. We looked like Notre Dame's eleven," says Beatty. "There were no stars, but good blocking, tackling and interference by everyone."

"I predict that there are some men in the All-Fresh squad who will make the varsity squad men lust for positions next year. Bassett, an end from Flint, is the best timber I ever saw. Some good backfield men are O'Connor, Barnard, Bartells, and Whitney. It is a little harder to tell about the linemen, but we'll send up some good ones in the persons of C. Lord, center, and Lench, Bailey, Aranson, Thomson, and Allan, linemen."

COACHES PREDICT STRONG TEAM FOR 1917.

Contrary to what might be expected from the workings of the three-year rule, predictions of the football coaches are to the effect that M. A. C. will be represented by a strong team next fall.

The men who will graduate in June are; Blacklock, Henning, Fick, McClellan, and Frimodig. Archer has shown ability to fill "Frim's" shoes at the pivot job. For the line there are W. Miller and Ode. In the backfield Baker, who showed up so very strong as a freshman two years ago, should be developed into a fast man by the right coaching. Other likely backs, in addition to Al Brown, Huebel and others of this year's squad, are J. Ryan and M. Jewitt. Men who will work out for substitute linemen are Shumway, Kelly, Woodsworth, Speltz, Hamnes, Hinkle, and M. Nelson. Thompson, Walton, and Bassett are likely end substitutes for Joe Turner and Ramsay.

Little has yet been accomplished in the way of a football schedule, though Coach Wherry has announced that M. A. C. will play some big eastern school, probably in the east. No western trip will be made.

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NEWS AND COMMENT

Cleveland Abbe, instructor in civil engineering at M. A. C. in 1859, died at Chevy Chase, D. C., Oct. 28, 1916.

H. G. Smith, agricultural agent for Kent county, talked at the meeting of the Farmers' club last week on The Duties of a County Agent.

ATHLETIC BOARD MEETING.

At recent meeting of the athletic board of control it was voted to give the managers of football and baseball teams a jersey sweater with a three-inch monogram. It was also voted that hereafter all athletics eating at the training table must pay $2.50 a week for their board, in advance, and that no athletes shall wait table. The basketball schedule was limited to sixteen games.

HOUSE DIRECTOR RETURNS.

Miss Clara Hunt, house director at the Woman's Building, returned the first part of this week from a two weeks' trip in the east where she went to study institutional management and girls' dormitories. Among the colleges visited are Cornell, Bryn Mawr, Columbia, Mount Holyoke, Smith, Wellesley, and Amherst. In her absence Miss Blanche Cade, '16, carried on her duties.

NEW FORM OF HOLCAD.

The Holcad appeared with a change in make-up last week, the change being from four to five columns without enlarging the paper. This was made possible by reducing the width of the column slightly, two ems, to use the printer's phrase. The new form looks as well as the old, permits of more efficient use of the space, and enables the Holcad to get along with eight pages for each issue. With this change, they hope to reduce the debt hanging over from last year.

PRESIDENT SPEAKS AT PLYMOUTH CLUB.

In an address before the Plymouth Club of the Plymouth Congregational Church of Lansing recently, President Kelde said: "If I lived in Lansing and had a boy going to M. A. C. I should want him to go out and live on the campus and in this way make a man of him." Touching on character building he said: "Occasionally there comes to my office a boy to whom I say: 'Boy, your ideals are not our ideals—you do not understand us. Until you do you must go away from here.' There is no meeting of the discipline committee; I meet with the following M. A. C. people on the program: Prof. W. A. Herkend speaks on The Farm Loan Law and the Farmer; Dr. M. M. McCool lectures on Soils of Northern Michigan; Prof. J. J. Eustace discusses Michigan Fruit Conditions Compared to Other States; and C. E. Bassett of Washington talks on Co-operative Marketing. R. V. Tanner, county agent, is secretary of this organization, and 'Ted' Caldwell, instructor in agriculture at Ludington, is superintendent of the Western Michigan Apple Show, which is held at this time.

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STATE HORTICULTURAL MEETING.

The forty-sixth annual meeting of the Michigan State Horticultural Society will be held in Grand Rapids Dec. 6, 7, and 8. Among the many fine speakers we note the following from M. A. C.: Prof. H. J. Euclide, Prof. R. H. Pettit; J. H. Carmody, Prof. C. F. Schneider, '35; C. E. Bassett, sp. There will be the usual speaking and judging competitions for the junior and senior students in horticulture, and sometime during the three days the boys will be taken on an inspection tour of the greenhouse industry of Grand Rapids.

This week Prof. Sawyer will move his work in electrical measurements to the east room on the second floor of Shop No. 1. This is but a temporary expedient.

SOCIAL EVENTS.

The members of the 1918 football team were the guests of the Columbian literary society at the annual fall term party in the Armory last Friday evening. Patrons for the event were Prof. and Mrs. Storrs, Prof. and Mrs. Snow, and Prof. and Mrs. V. M. Shoemnith. Roseo's orchestra played the program.

The Eunomians entertained with a very pretty dancing party in the Agricultural hall Friday evening. The patrons were Prof. and Mrs. Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Spaulding, and Coach and Mrs. Geo. E. Gauthier.

The fall term party of the Trifora society was held in the new Masonic Temple, East Lansing, last Saturday night. Prof. and Mrs. Polson and Mr. and Mrs. Morse were patrons. Music was furnished by the College Orchestra.

VARSITY CLUB SET RIGHT.

In view of the fact that there did appear in the Lansing afternoon paper last week a statement to the effect that the Varsity Club at M. A. C. had requested the head coach to put an end to smoking among students in the building during dancing parties, believing that commission extended to every one, Himebaugh tapped Jason Woodman, '81, member of the State Board of Agriculture, upon the shoulder the other night and requested him to snuff the light. Of course Himebaugh didn't know his party. Woodman didn't exactly like this and he said: "Do you want me to tell you who I am?" Himebaugh said: "No, I don't care who you are, but if you don't stop smoking we'll have to put you out." We understand that Himebaugh is still night caretaker.

TAU BETA PI ELECTION.

Occasionally there looms up arguments which make it seem as if it pays to write poetry. This may have nothing to do with the matter in question, but it is a fact that Rodger Sherman Clark, '18, of Assyria, Mich., farm boy, prize poet, and engineer, is the first one of his class to be chosen a member of the Tau Beta Pi fraternity, the national undergraduate honorary engineering organization. Elections to this fraternity were announced last week. A glance at Clark's scholastic record would seem to prove that at least one individual of poetic inclinations is not alone a dreamer. In his six terms of college work he has received but six grades of B and one of these is in military drill which is not counted in the summay. All the rest of his credits are A. Others to receive the honor of membership, all of whom are seniors, are: C. R. Stough of Sherwood; H. L. Waterbury of Lansing; H. N. Fox of...

At the banquet of the fraternity, held at the Wildwood Thursday night, the following spoke: President L. O. Stewart, Professor J. A. Polson, Prof. M. M. Cory, H. A. Morse, H. L. Campbell.

**Alumni Notes**

'79.
C. B. Charles, who is farming at Bangor, Mich., writes the Record: "Our M. A. C. teachers, Dorothy Lewis, '16, and Karl Miller, '15, are doing well and the new domestic science course is a winner."

'02.
H. E. Young, a, began work October 1 as field assistant in dairy extension for the U. S. Department of Agriculture. Young spent some time at M. A. C. last week getting in touch with the work being done in this state in cow testing associations.

'06.
Paul Woodworth, '86-'88, and Miss Margaret Carolan, both of Bad Axe, were married Nov. 22.

The many friends of Violet Miller will be shocked to learn of the death of her husband, Herbert M. Dixon, which occurred Sept. 21, at Saginaw. Mrs. Dixon is at present undecided as to whether she will remain in Michigan for the winter or go south.

'13.
Nathan Duncombe Simpson and Miss Louise Anthony Lepper of Paw Paw were married at the home of the bride's parents, Thursday, November 22. Mr. and Mrs. Simpson will be at home to their friends after December 15 at Simpson Acres, Hartford, Mich.

'15.
E. J. Smith, a, is not confining his activities alone to the class room teaching of agriculture at Blissfield, but is doing some extension work. He has rented a room right in the heart of town and during the winter, on Saturdays, will conduct demonstrations in various lines of farm operations, with the aid of his class in agriculture. He has learned that in spite of the fact that many farmers come to town on Saturdays, it is a difficult matter to get them to the school house so he is taking the school to them.

'16.
Max B. Kannowski, ex-'16, is a senior in city forestry and landscape gardening at the University of Michigan.

M. S. Fuller, a, is teaching agriculture in the high school at Ontonagon. In a letter some time ago "Chief" said that he was rooming with R. G. Carr, '08, county agricultural agent.

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