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As a means of far-reaching publicity, the annual pageant which is to be staged by the senior girls during Commencement week is being effectively used by the publicity department. There have just been sent out to over 200 papers in Michigan, short stories of the pageant, using the names of local girls in each town to give the stories local interest. The names of 300 girls who will take part in the pageant have been used in these news stories. This kind of news is used by the majority of editors and is a most effective means of bringing M. A. C. before Michigan people. The publicity department has followed this same practice in regard to athletes, class officers, or any Ludents in college who have especially distinguished themselves.

Two hundred and twenty-five business men from Lansing and East Lansing, the majority of the men on the faculty, and Junior and Senior men enjoyed the informal smoker given by the M. A. C. Union in the gymnasium last Friday night. A program of athletics, swimming, boxing, wrestling and singing, furnished the entertainment, and smokes, sinkers and coffee the refreshments. W. O. Hedrick, '91, had the program in charge.

SIX SENIOR CIVIL ENGINEERS, for their thesis work, are surveying ten miles of road near Chelsea, in co-operation with the State Highway department. These men are W. E. "Skinny" DeYoung of McBain, Carl F. Miller of Saginaw, Burdette Bellinger of Battle Creek, Leon Bateman of Dimondale, A. M. Hopperstead and L. N. Jones.

THE SENIORS, as is the annual custom, wear their caps and gowns to classes on Tuesdays and Thursdays, and Wednesday is reserved for stunt day. Last week the girls wore white skirts and middies with bright red ties and hose, and this week the men followed their example with white trousers, white shirts, red ties and hose—when obtainable.

The Senior Commencement party will be held in the armory, Wednesday evening, June 9, from 8 to 12, with dancing one hour later than usual as a special concession to the seniors.

Work on the college warehouse or maintenance shop, which was discontinued last year because of the scarcity of labor, has been begun again. This building, which will be used as a storehouse for college supplies and headquarters for plumbers, electricians and carpenters, is being erected just back of the machine shops. It is made of brick and hollow tile with reinforced concrete, and will be as near fireproof as possible.

The campus is being rapidly dressed up for its Commencement guests. Grass is being mowed, the flower beds planted, shrubs put into shape, and winter's unsightly ravages cleaned up and beautified. Returning grads and former studes will have an opportunity to see the "Campus Circle" as it now exists and to enjoy the vistas opened up by the removal of College and Williams Halls.

A Union Opera is being planned at M. A. C. next year. Collegiate unions all over the country put these combined musical and comic operas on each year with great success. They are also a source of financial revenue for the Union.

The Annual Eunomian-Holcad and Lawson prizes just awarded were both taken by freshmen. Pricilla Proseus, '23, of Rochester, N. Y., was the winner of the first prize of \$25 in the Eunomian-Holcad contest with a story entitled "Tale of Eliz Ann." She also won two special prizes. Fred W. Henshaw, '23, of Grandville, brother of George Henshaw, '17, carried off the honors in the Lawson contest which is open to men only with an essay on 'Jazz and Bolshevism." Henshaw, who is a member of the college publicity staff, also won a special prize. The Lawson first prize is \$25. Margaret Himmelein, '20, of Saginaw, was awarded second prize and R. S. Clark, '20, formerly with '18, third prize in the Eunomian-Holcad contest.

Following suggestions of Director C. L. Brewer, an Industrial Recreation Council was formed at the Lansing Y. M. C. A. on May 24. The object of this organization is to encourage athletics in the numerous factories of Lansing. A regular noon-hour program of track and field events will be installed, which may be expected to develop later into a huge inter-factory field and track meet. Director Brewer gave an interesting talk outlining the possibilities of such a council, and the gathering enthusiastically carried out his suggestions. Howard E. Beatty, '16, of the Olds Motor Co., was appointed as a member of the executive committee.

The first real open-air concert of the spring was given by the band in the Forest of Arden on Tuesday evening of this week. Several more will be given before the term is over.

PLANS FOR THE SENIOR MARDI GRAS ON Thursday evening, June 10, have at last simmered out. The new stunt will be staged in the pasture field just west of farm lane. Booths of all kinds will be erected, and with numerous electric lights, will give a carnival aspect to the affair. It is expected that canoe tilts and other wa-

ter events will have a part in tht display. The senior class is planning to make the affair so attractive that future classes will wish to follow suit

Forestry summer school will be resumed this year after being discontinued for two years. It will be held on the lands of the East Jordan Lumber Co., about ten miles from the city of East Jordan, with the camp within half a mile of the uncut forest. This forest contains both evergreens and hardwood, which hold an advantage over the old location near Cadillac with only mature hardwood. The summer camp opens on Monday, June 21, for a four weeks' course in mensuration and lumbering.

NEXT YEAR'S SENIOR CLASS will have for its president H. Y. Hartley of Washington. Michigan. He is an engineer and editor-in-chief of the 1920 Wolverine. Beatrice Hosmer of Buffalo, N. Y., is the newly elected vice president; Wilma Strauch, the secretary, comes from Durand; and Dorchester, Mass., furnishes the treasurer, W. J. Clench.

THE ENTOMOLOGY DEPARTMENT is building a research laboratory back of the Entomology building. It will be used for research work entirely. One end will contain a laboratory and the other will be used for housing animals under observation. Dr. W. L. Chandler, research assistant who is conducting investigations on the parasites of food animals, is to have charge of the laboratory.

EVENT AND COMMENT.

A WORTH WHILE JOB.

E. B. Johnson, alumni secretary at the University of Minesota, and a pioneer in alumni work, says that the best stimulator of a good live alumni reunion is the doing

of some worth while job.

Each day as a we feel the pulse of the coming reunions we begin to appreciate Mr. Johnson's words. If alumni interest could be measured in dollars and cents we believe the Union Memorial Building would already be paid for twice over. At any rate there has never been so much interest At any manifested in reunions as there is this spring, and without doubt the campaign for the Union Building is the cause.

People who have been lost (as far as

college interest was concerned) for months and even years are every day coming to light with contributions towards the building. Former students who had only one, two or three years at the college often show as much interest as graduates. Just last week a subscription for \$1,000 was sent in by a Detroit man with the class of '89, who had been a student here for only one year.

One day not long ago the morning's mail brought a subscription from Norway, and with it in the same mail came one from china. Truly, East meets West on the old Aggie campus. The hearts of M. A. C. people no matter where they are center back to Alma Mater. And as many as can are coming back to help celebrate the reunions.

THE UNION A POINT OF CONTACT.

In considering a Union Building as an appropriate undertaking for alumni their own campus home, observations of the University of Michigan Union are not out

President Hutchins has said that University life outside the classroom is fully as important as that in the classroom, "possi-bly more important." The Union Building there is the center of that life, as well as the center of student activities. Probably of all the buildings on the campus the Union is the one most used by all the members of the big university family.

Hence when alumni return for a visit or a reunion their college home is in the very heart of this college center. They are in instant touch with the activities, the throbbing life of the whole institution. The Union Building, as Architect Pond puts it, furnishes them "a toe hold" for getting immediate touch with university life and ac-

tivity.

From the standpoint of the institution it is vital that alumni should get that close personal contact with the present day life of the institution. The Union Building furnishes it without one's having to go out and find it and as it can be furnished in no other way.

UNION MEMORIAL BUILDING PLANS TO BE READY COMMENCEMENT.

At a meeting of the executive committee of the M. A. C. Association held last Saturday morning, May 22, the former plans for the Union Memorial Building derwent numerous changes. The revised plans are to be prepared for submission to alumni at Commencement.

When a recent investigation of Union buildings was made by the committee, tentative plans drawn were found to be inadequate. That the building would not fill the present needs, and certainly not of the years to come, was the unanimous decision of the committee. To serve as a community and social center for students and a place to accommodate returning alumni, a larger and more elaborate structure is being considered. These changes were decided upon after conferences with architects who have been engaged in designing homes for college and university unions, and after discussion among the most prominent and active alumni.

It is now planned to have three floors and basement, instead of only two floors. The basement will contain a cafeteria with divisions for both men and women, and kitchen equipment ample for both cafeteria and dining room on the second floor.

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The first floor will be given over to a large lounging room, reading room, and offices for college organizations.

A large dining room, with a serving room connected to the kitchen with a dumb waiter will occupy the whole second floor. This room will have a stage at one end, so that it may be used as a small auditorium for plays, concerts, or semi-social entertainments; and with a floor suitable for dancing. This room will be large enough for general alumni gatherings.

The third floor will contain rooms for returning alumni, and a billiard room.

It was resolved that the money be collected in as rapidly as possible and that the construction on the building be started as soon as a sufficient amount has been made to warrant starting.

With respect to the Commencement meeting program, it was the decision of the committee that no intensive drive for funds would be made for the Union Memorial building at that time, but that as much of the meeting as possible be given over to a discussion of the plans and uses of the building, so that alumni will be made thoroughly acquainted with the building and its purposes.

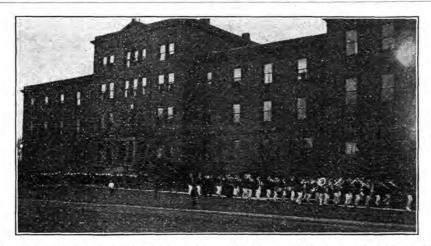
FORMER BAND MEN TO REUNE.

Disciples of John Philip Sousa and followers of Paddy Cross are going to have an opportunity at Commencement of "tuning up" on the old campus again and making the somber drill ground spruces and the faculty kids sit up and take notice. At the Central Michigan Alumni luncheon held at the Hotel Kerns on Monday of this week, some of the old band men present hit upon the scheme of getting the old music makers back and showing the undergraduates a little real pep as it was demonstrated in the olden days. Any old grad or former student who ever played in the band, who plans to come back for Commencement, is asked to please get in touch with Carl "Banty" Winton, 228 E. St. Joe St., Lansing, giving the kind of instrument he played. Instruments will be furnished at the college.

The band reunion will make it possible for alumni to have their own music and cheering section at the Alumni-Varsity baseball game. "Banty" Vinton suggests that the old time band men limber up their "lips" and get ready for a regular "prade and revu."

PICTURES WANTED FOR VARSITY CLUB ROOMS.

An easy chair and a convenient table on which one may rest his feet awaits former performers on M. A. C. athletic teams when they return Commencement, for the Varsity club rooms in the gymnasium are to be furnished and furbelowed in time for the reception of alumni members during the reunion. At a recent meeting of the Athletic Board of Control, money was voted to buy appropriate furnishings to make the room an attractive club room for varsity men in college, and returning former athletic stars. There seems to be a dearth of pictures of old athletic teams, and Director Brewer is anxious to get photographs of the old var-



The 1920 "Swing Out" As It Started From the Steps of the Women's Building.

sity squads. If any one has any such pictures which he wishes to present to the Athletic department for use in this varsity room, they will be appreciated. Director Brewer asks that as much description as possible, including dates and names, company pictures sent in.

BEESE w '94 GIVES MEDALS FOR TROPHY ROOM.

The first athletic trophies to be given for the trophy room in the gymnasium are the gift of A. G. Beese, with '94, of Saginaw. Mr. Beese has contributed all of the medals he won while representing M. A. C. in intercollegiate meets in 1893 and '94. They are seven in number, five first prizes and two seconds attractively mounted upon a silk pennant.

Mr. Beese tendered the gift in the fol-

lowing letter:

I am sending you under separate cover a pennant with my track medals attached. The top five, the mile run, the 100-yard dash, the 220 yards dash, the 220 yards hurdle and the 440 yards run, are all first prizes. The lower two-the running broad jump and the 120 yards hurdle-are second prizes. There were four colleges in the Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association at that time-Albion, Olivet, Hillsdale and M. A. C. The mile run was won in the year 1892 and the other six events were taken at the 1893 meeting. I don't remember the records made at these meetings, but do recall that I could make the mile under 4:40 and the 100 yards in 10 1-5. In the running broad jump I could clear something like 21 feet, but it wasn't good enough to take a first prize.

I further recall our trainers at that time. The D. A. C. consented and co-operated with M. A. C. in the matter of the services of their trainers, Jack Collins and Mike Murphy. Mr. Murphy, I believe, later went to Yale as trainer, but I never heard from or about Mr. Collins since those days.

It is hard to realize that my mind is dwelling on a cherished period of over 1-4 of a century ago-it only seems like yesterday. In commemoration of those days and the boys of that time, I gladly tender this pennant and medals to M. A. C.'s trophy room.

Assuring you of my ardent feelings for our Alma Mater, I am,

A. J. Beese, '94. Director Brewer is making plans for the collection and display of all trophies won by former M. A. C. athletes and teams. Large wall cases are to be built for their display. Trophies of the old days displayed here will be a constant source of inspiration and an incentive to undergraduate athletes. Other former athletes wishing to contribute their trophies for the trophy display should send them direct to Mr. Brewer with a descriptive sketch.

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SEATTLE ANNUAL DINNER.

The first annual dinner of the Seattle M. A. C. Association was held May 15th. at the Women's University Club House, covers being laid for twenty-five. After dinner an informal program was given. Mr. F. E. Semon, '89, acted as toastmaster. given. Letters of greeting from the college were enjoyed, on Engineering from Dean Bissell; Horticulture from Prof. C. P. Halligan; on Agriculture from Dean Shaw, and on the Alumni Association from Mr. Mc-Kibbin.

Rena Crane Loomis, '13, responded to a toast, "Women of Today," and was followed by "Peminiscences of the Early Days of M. A. C." Mr. J. M. Knapp, '61, and Mr. E. M. Shelton, '71. "Union Memorial Building Fund," Emma Barrett, '03, and Lantern slides of college pictures.

We were fortunate in having with us Mr. J. M. Knapp, '61, Bellingham, Washington. Mr. Knapp was one of the first graduates and was present at the dedication of the

college.

Those attending were: J. M. Knapp, '61; E. M. Shelton, '71; Mrs. E. M. Shelton, '71; F. E. Semon, '89, Mrs. F. E. Semon; H. W. Carr, '89; H. C. Hall, '14; Capt. R. R. Lyon, '09; Alvin Klassel, '14; Earl H. Collins, '13; Capt. C. Winston, '16; M. Blanch Bair, '10; osephine Hart, '12; E. Belle Alger, '13; Mary A. Snuth, '03; Emma B. Barrett, '03; Rena C. Loomis, '13; Dr. R. McCurdy, '16; Mrs. Gertrude McCurdy, '16; Ruth Anderson Nicholson, '14; Esther Anderson Linton, '14; Lucile Flening, '07; F. D. Link-letter, '06; Capt. Wm. Frazier, '09; Shirley Gardner Frazier, '09.

MARRIAGES.

SIEDEL-BUCKEL.

Carl J. Seidel, '17, and Miss Gladys Margaret Buckel, both of Saginaw, were married on Thursday, May 20, at Saginaw.

BLACK-THOMASON.

Lillia Ethel Thomason '16, and Donald Cecil Black, '17, were married on Friday, April 23, at Marion, Indiana.

ATHLETICS.

BIG SCHOOL MEET THIS WEEK.

The biggest athletic day ever held at Michigan Agricultural College will occupy state attention next Saturday when the annual Intercollegiate Track and Field meet will be put on in conjunction with an Intercollegiate tennis tournament and the state Interscholastic Track and Field meet. Besides the athletic competition there will be a state Interscholastic band tournament.

Entry blanks were mailed out the past week to over 400 high schools of the state and to all the colleges and normal institutions. They are now being returned and it is expected that all the M. I. A. A. colleges will enter and accommodations are being arranged for all the high school teams of the state which have signified their intentions of entering.

Three Detroit schools, Eastern, Western and Central, are expected to be keen competitors for the interscholastic honors. The Grand Rapids high schools, Battle Creek and Kalamazoo are also considered strong contenders. Kalamazoo nosed out all competitors at the meet held at Kalamazoo two weeks ago, but the Celery City outfit is expected to be given some hard pushing in the meet next Saturday.

Three large cups will be taken home with the school winning this year's meet. The Strang cup will become the permanent property of the victorious school, while the Harvard and Detroit M. A. C. alumni club will be held for one year by the school gathering the greatest number of points. Should one team win three successive years



SOME MEN ARE EASILY LED.

But whether or not friend wife is an M. A. C. girl, the leading will be easy to the COMMENCEMENT REUNIONS, JUNE 13-16.

If you are one of those fortunates endowed by his wife, when you pass over your May check put a rider on the deal that will salvage you sufficient for a lead to the campus, reunion time, when all the crowd are back.

both the latter two cups will go to its permanent possession.

The College athletic association will furnish lodging and meals for all entrants who come and the societies of the institution are working out a plan of reception and entertainment for all visitors while they are in East Lansing. The shops, laboratories and buildings of M. A. C. will be open to visitors during the day and all competitors are to be extended a cordial welcome.

LOSE TRACK MEET TO DE PAUW.

The Michigan Aggie track team took a beating at the hands of Depauw here Saturday afternoon by a score of 94 to 32.

The Hoosier team was as well balanced an aggregation as has been seen at East Lansing this year.

Loss of several of M. A. C.'s best men made the competition less than it should have been. Ernst, the Aggie star, strained a muscle in the 220-yard dash and did not run in the 440, which he was expected to take. The only first taken by an Aggie was in the pole vault, where Wilson led at 11 feet.

NOTRE DAME TAKES SECOND GAME, 12 TO 11.

In a game that was almost an exact repetition of the one played at Notre Dame a few weeks ago, Notre Dame beat M. A. C. on the East Lansing field Tuesday afternoon, 12 to 11. Outhit and seemingly outplayed almost all the way around, the Irishmen were nevertheless able to kick in with a final punch which gave them their second victory over the Green and White.

The game, which was anybody's almost every step of the way, gave evidence of being a slaughter for Notre Dame in the first inning. However, after this nightmare was over, "Lefty" Donnelly, who started the pitching for the Aggies, settled into a steady pace and held the opposition scoreless for four innings while his teammates were batting in six runs.

Seemingly, a three run lead amounted to little better than nothing for in the firs half of the sixth the visiting hitters evened up the count, and the Aggies were forced to step out in their part of the inning and bring in two more runs. Then the heart-breaking period of the ball game started.

In the first half of the seventh Notre Dame added three runs to her count and in the first half of the eighth, she added two more. This gave the Irishmen a three run advantage, but in the last half of the eighth the advantage was wiped out and the two teams went into the final inning even up.

A forced run broke the tie, however, in Notre Dame's favor.

Score by innings:

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LISTEN AT THESE CLASS CALLS.

Only A Heart of Stone Could Refuse Them.

YEA, '95.

Hey, you "Has-benns" of '95! Get your ticket for Lansing on June 15. The College Farm is 3 miles east of town. You can walk it if you miss the Bus. I am coming and going to bring my "mit."

Yours yesterday, today and tomorrow, "Josh," '95.

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The old gang, some new ones, too, will e there with the same old go-and-get-em

The old gang, some new ones, too, will be there with the same old go-and-get-em punch, eats, n'everything.

Class banquet 6 p. m. Wednesday, Wells Hall. Reserve your place in the chow line. One buck takes you all the way through the entire show, including aerobatic stunts by Fat Taylor, Yodling act by Dutch Miller, "Wit of the Garlie," by E. G. Amos, "Wop," and the touching ballad, "Broadway Ain't So Wonderful," by Anna Cowles and Marquerite Erickson. querite Erickson. Send in your re-

Send in your reservations Tout de suite to A. L. Bibbins, East Lansing. Remember the Time and the Place—and some other fellow's girl will do:

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'Mid tinkling tambourines and clanging claxons '17 will be there "with bells on." Spinsters, bachelors, benedicts and benedictines. Hopefuls, Near-Hopes and No-Hopes. Everybody all out. None of this chow line stuff for '17ers. A real bounteous repast with all the old gang—and some new ones. Dick Washburn and Gale Louise Carpenter yell leaders. Profound dictums from the four presidents. Gas, noise, music and pep, but best of all the glad word of happy days with cherished friends. The Reunion June 10-16, Special '17 banquet Wednesday evening, June 16, 5:30 p. m. Send in reservations to your class secretary.

We're Not Going to Cry About It If Our Class Was the Smallest To Graduate in Several Years Because of the We'll Sing War: Instead Come Back for



Commencement, Join the Chorus and Show 'Em All How Much Pep We Have.

Don't forget the class Dinner on Wednesday evening, June 16, in Wells Hall Dining Room—Price \$1.00. Send reservations to Vera Foster Cavanagh, East Lansing.

THE 1920 SUMMER SESSION.

By E. H. Ryder, Dean of Summer School.

At one time the college session continued through the summer months with the long vacation in the winter. In the late nineties the present three-term policy was adopted with the long interval in the summer. Six vears ago the college established a summer

While the school of six weeks duration. enrollment in the first session was large, it was deemed advisable to continue the project, with the result that a session has been held each season since. The seventh session opens June 21st next, continuing until July 30th.

The movement to open the college thus was prompted by the sense of obligation to our citizens to provide means of using the peculiar and special facilities of this institution at this period of the year. Practically every college and university had opened its doors at this season in response to certain needs; many conditions led to the more or less general demand for such sessions in our educational institutions and an insistent feeling developed that the resources of M. A. C. must be made available.

The attendance increased gradually from year to year before the war; the war checked the growth. Last year the college was open for twelve weeks-two six-week terms-and nearly five hundreds students

were in attendance.

In selecting courses of instruction for this session, the needs of various groups of individuals have been kept in mind. Subjects were chosen which would be desired by regular students in pursuit of their degrees or for students who had failed to pass work in the regular term and needed to remove certain conditions in order to proceed with a course advantageously. courses are selected from all divisions of the college, agriculture, forestry, engineering, home economics, and veterinary. was deemed peculiarly a good time for graduate work since many individuals, especially teachers, find the summer months an advantageous period of the year in which to undertake advanced work. Experience has justified this opinion since the graduate enrollment has been relatively one of the largest groups of students.

Another group which has naturally received attention in these arrangements is that of the teachers of the state. Many principals and superintendents have used the summer period to enhance their professional value through the study of agriculture. Oftentimes in the small school it falls to the lot of the aforesaid officials to give the instruction in agriculture. Other teachers have found the courses in agriculture, household art and household science, mathematics, English and the sciences, such as chemistry, botany, physics etc., a means of reenforcing their scholastic equipment. The college faculty has pursued a liberal policy by providing an adequate supply of courses in these lines and insuring a high grade of instruction. These efforts in academic lines have been finely supplemented by the ideal natural conditions prevailing at M. A. C. at this season of the year. To live in a veritable park with its natural beauty, cleanliness and wholesomeness adds a pleasure which cannot be had in the busy dirty city.

The college seeks to emphasize the opportunities for teachers in its summer work in several special ways. Under the Smith-Hughes law aid is given to local schools for the teaching of agriculture and household art and household science. This has stressed the preparation of teachers along these lines, and M. A. C. has been designated as headquarters for the training of this kind.

Also, efforts are put forth to assist teachers in the rural schools in the teaching of agriculture. The state department of public instruction includes this subject in the curriculum of the rural school. In order to give such teachers better training, a special course in charge of an experienced teacher is offered. The work of the course will consist of a study of those facts about each of the lines of agriculture which a teacher ought to attempt to present in a rural community. There are two dangers which are likely to weaken the respect of the rural folks for instruction of this kind. One is inaccurate statement or misinterpretation of facts; the other an injudicious selection of material. It is with a view of helping teachers in both of these particulars that the special course has been organized. In order to render the instruction as practical as possible teachers are advised to bring text books for use in the course.

An account of the summer activities would not be complete without some mention of the special activities carried on during the period of the summer session. This is an attempt to render valuable service to special groups who for obvious reasons cannot attend regular class room work and yet need the information and inspiration which may be furnished through the agency of

the college.

For instance, during the second week— June 29th to July 2nd—women of the state, including teachers, community workers and householders are invited to the campus to a program in which matters of common interest to women will be discussed by speakers chosen especially for this purpose. During the third week, July 6th to 9th, a conference of Boys' and Girls' Club leaders and workers will be held under the direction of the State Club leaders. This is a training school for workers, methods of organizing clubs and directing them from month to month are discussed and emphasized. No more enthusiastic body of individuals comes to the campus during the year. These workers are performing a large service for the future of the college through the arousing of interest in matters agricultural and for the home.

Finally, a rural conference has been held for several years. The aim of this activity is to arouse interest in the problems of the rural community by bringing together men and women whose labor is in the small town or open country. This is attended largely by ministers, although open to every one concerned. Naturally these persons can not take on training in technical agriculture, although a number have taken up short courses in these lines. Also, several have been attracted to the winter short courses. The main interest centers in those problems of the community which are social and economic.

The success and efficiency of food production today involves not only an understanding of scientific agriculture, but also the successful maintenance of the community life. Powerful forces are operating which tend to undermine the stability of community life. These forces present problems which are puzzling the best minds of the time. It is peculiarly imperative that the college shall seek to assist in meeting these difficulties, and by its leadership endeavor to at least assist citizens to a better understanding of the environment in which they work.

The college issues a special Summer School Bulletin, and separate programs for each of the above special gatherings. Any or all of these publications may be had by addressing the college, indicating the particular one desired.

THE NATIONAL FRATERNITY DISCUSSION.

A PAGE FOR THE EXPRESSION OF ALUMNI OPINION.

FRATERNITIES ARE IN KEEPING WITH PRESENT DAY SPIRIT.

A Reply to the Letter of N. O. Weil, '17.

A Reply to the Letter of N. O. Weil, '17. May I be permitted to rise and remark on the national fraternity question. Until quite recently I was somewhat on the fence but I've read carefully the arguments offered against their introduction into M. A. C. and I've been kicked off. I now stand with those who strongly favor lifting the ban on national fraternities. I believe they would be a welcome and valued addition to our institution.

No, it isn't all as simple as the turn of

the hand. It is quite probable that even with an immediate start it would take four or five years, maybe more, for the present societies to become affiliated. If this step cut off the interest of the alumni it would be a serious mistake. But would that follow? Local chapters have their own policies and could still keep in contact with alumni, even alumni who did not affiliate with the national, the most of them would welcome the opportunity. The prediction that four-fifths of them would lose interest in M. A. C. Societies does not harmonize with the fact that more than 75 per cent of the alumni replying have favored national

fraternities. The relationship to the alumni offers the only real problem and I am sure it could be solved satisfactorily.

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I should hate to see anything disrupt the literary feature of our societies. But already that has been minimized by some societies while others give it prominence. It is a matter of self-determination, you see, and with chapters of national fraternities at M. A. C. the same would hold true, with the precedent in favor of keeping up the good work.

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As for the fraternities injuring the spirit of M. A. C.—well, let's look it over. Most everyone attributes that thing we call "Old time M. A. C. spirit and fight" to our ancient entomological halls, the dormitories. Now hasn't that old line been overworked a bit. Harken back to the fall of 1913 when '17, the entering class, mopped up the campus with our brethren of '16 and not a doggone emerald-hued gawk in the whole bunch of us lived in a dormitory. And how about hospitality? Who ever heard of a visiting athletic team or any students representing other institutions being royally entertained in our dormitories? Have a nice warm wash and shave wouldn't they? Or we might have introduced them to Prof. Petit's old indoor sport. But not having any real ill feeling for our visitors those who were entertained at all went to our society houses. Ask the boys on the teams what it means to be taken in a student home and made welcome.

Far be it from me to disparage dormitories. I appreciate the splendid opportunity for closer relations with fellow students. Of course in the past each ward in Wells has tended to become a minature society house, Ionians in Ward E, Union Lits in Ward F, Eunomians in Ward D and so on. But even so, when we had them, the dormitories and boarding clubs furnished splendid gathering places. But weren't they played from the wrong end? Wouldn't it

is the even so, when we had them, the dormitories and boarding clubs furnished splendid gathering places. But weren't they played from the wrong end? Wouldn't it have been better—when we get new dormitories won't it be better to put the freshmen in them. Let them get acquainted, There will never be enough room for them in fraternity houses. And wouldn't it be more fitting to get the freshmen democratized at once instead of waiting till they are seniors so all they can do is prate of the "M. A. C. spirit of old," along with the rest of us alumni, instead of living the M. A. C. spirit the four years of their college life, But, as our old school friend kipling would say, "That is another story."

I agree with a recent communicated statement to the Record that the value of fraternities subsequent to college days is sometimes over-estimated. Employers don't care two whoops for a man's fraternity affiliation was been allowed by the reads. Entitleen

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two whoops for a man's fraternity affiliations so long as he has the goods. But there is a value, a value through broader acquaintance, an advertising value to the man who has already given promise, often an opportunity for a quicker start, a social value for the man who becomes connected with other institutions, and a social value in everyone of our large cities.

There would also be an added inducement for men to select M. A. C. as their Alma Mater. Now don't mistake me. We don't want the man in M. A. C. who selects a school only for its fraternities. But see here, my brother American pie-faces, if at noon-day you were selecting a place for lunch and two were brought to your attention whose menus were exactly the same save one offered nice thick juicy apple pie and one didn't, which restaurant would you choose? You're right, buddy, so would I. National fraternities would put the flavor to the life at M. A. C. that would prove altractive to good men.

Universal Brotherhood?—Splendid! But we probably won't have Utopia on Earth

for anyway six or seven years. In the meantime we have practical organizations promoting fraternal relationship—organizations not working at loggerheads but in harmony, organizations that can and do promote sociability, cleanliness, industry, initiative, scholarship, hospitality, sportsmanship, everything that would be an attribute to what we love to call M. A. C. solirit.

spirit.

Our literary societies answer the needs locally. But when you get more than a mile and a quarter from the environs of East Lansing who the h—, pardon me, who ever heard of the Eunomians, the Ties or the Olympics? Let us broaden the possibilities of our local societies. Let's make them national them national.

—Howard C. Rather, '17. East Lansing, May 24.

NATIONAL FRATERNITIES HAVE AD-VANTAGES OVER LOCALS.

Oregon Agricultural College, May 3, 1920, Dear Sir: I have just received your letter requesting my opinion relative to the movement in favor of lifting the ban against national fraternities at M. A. C. In reply I may say that my experience in college as a member of Phi Delta Theta and my observation of fraternity life at this institution where fraternity and sorority life has rapidly developed during the last ten years, lead me to endorse the movement heartily. I can see no advantage whatever that the local fraternity system at M. A. C. has over a system of national fraternities and I can see some advantages which the national has over the local. Most if not all of the evils of the fraternity system, whether that system be local or national, can, in my opinion, be overcome by careful and sympathetic faculty supervision and development of a keen scholastic rivalry.

—A. B. Cordley, '88.

Dean and Director.

MAY MEETING OF THE STATE BOARD OF AGRICULTURE.

May 19, 1920.
Present, President Kedzie, Mrs. Stockman,
Messrs. Woodman, Wallace, Watkins, Beaumont and Waterbury.
The minutes of the previous meeting having been in the hands of the members were
approved without reading.
The recommendations contained in the
following letter from Director Baldwin were
approved:
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following letter from Director Baldwin were approved:
 "During the present year funds included in the Boys' and Girls' Club Project for County Club Leaders in Gogebic, Kent, Saginaw and Cheyboygan' have accumulated to the extent of \$1,225. We wish to expend these funds in the following counties. By doing so we will relieve our budget for the coming fiscal year and will secure \$1,200 in Lever "Offset" vouchers needed for this year.
 "To accomplish this the following additions should be made to the payroll for May and June:
 "Viva Osborn, Branch Co.: Mrs. A. N. Varney, Hillsdale; Alberta Hill, Jackson; Nathalie Vasold, Lenawee; Evelyn Pepper, Osceola; W. D. Hill, Iron; O. S. Goss, Van Buren; Y. G. T. Rehner, Alger: Albam Stenson, Baraga; T. R. Shane, Chippewa; H. F. Herrod, Calhoun; Byron Latter, Ingham.
 "This expense should be charged to 'Extension-Lever State.'"
 The resignation of Professor A. C. Anderson, professor of dairy husbandry, was accepted, to take effect July I, and the secretary was requested to express to Professor Anderson the regret of the Board at his resignation and its appreciation of his services.

vices.

The recommendations contained in the following letter from Director Baldwin were approved:
"The stenographers whose names are

approved:

"The stenographers whose names are given below have been paid on time sheets for the past year. I would be glad to have them placed on the Extension Payroll and to receive contracts, beginning July 1, 1920, and ending June 30, 1921.

Katherine Clark, farm crops; Marie Shufelt, poultry, one-half paid by poltry dept.; Gladys Stutsman, potatoes and vegetables, horticulture; Dorothy Tyler, Boys' & Girls' Clubs."

Clubs."

The Dean of Engineering and the President were authorized to fill the vacancies in the engineering division mentioned in the letter of Dean Bissell to President Kedzie, under date of May 12.

The recommendations contained in the following letter of Director Brewer were adonted:

adopted:

"I respectfully recommend the following in connection with the personnel of the De-partment of Physical Training for the year

1920-21.

"1. The appointment of Miss Jessie Mac-Cornack as instructor in the work for women for one year, beginning September 1,

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1920, in place of Miss Casho, who will be on leave. Miss MacCornack has had two years at Northwestern University and finishes the two-year course at the Chicago School of Physical Education in June. She has been directing the department of physical training at Elgin high school the past two years while doing her training work. I met Miss MacCornack in Chicago and she seemed to be a well-trained strong woman and was splendidly recommended.

3. The appointment of John Heppinstall as instructor, September 1, 1920, for the year. Mr. Heppinstall has been with us four years and is now carried on the department payroll. The yearly appointment will be an advance and will insure a more permanent connection.

4. The appointment of James Devers as trainer and conditioner and instructor in the department, to date September 1, 1920, for the year. Mr. Devers is well qualified to handle all of the boxing, wrestling and combative activities of the department, gymnasium classes and serve, too, as trainer and conditioner of the athletic teams and of all of the boys who come into the department for work. This will carry with it the dropping of N. E. Grover who has had most of the above work as half-time man.

5. The reappointment of Mr. L. L. Frimodig. Mr. Frimodig has taken over the added duties of assistant to the director in the administration of the department and has made himself very valuable.

6. The reappointment of Helen Grimes. Miss Grimes will have the added responsibility of leading the work for the girls in the absence of Miss Casho.

The above will carry with it the dropping of Arthur N. Smith who was brought into the department temporarily for Mr. Gauthier's work.

On motion of Mr. Watkins the following recommendations regarding the staff of the farm crops department were adopted:

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F. A. Spragg, research associate (plant breeding) and assistant professor: C. R. Megee, assistant professor and research assistant; A. L. Bibbins, assistant professor (1-3 time) and extension specialist (2-3 time); H. C. Rather, extension specialist in crops; Duane F. Rainey, extension special-

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ist in crops (part time) and assistant in farm crops (part time); C. W. Straight, foreman (7 months' time) and instructor in farm mechanics (5 months); Mrs. Kather-ine Clark, stenographer far crops extension.

Professor Halligan was authorized to attend a conference of landscape gardening departments at Cambridge, June 25 and 26,

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C. W. Waid was authorized to attend a conference relating to the production of tomatoes, at Harrisburg, Pa., on May 21 and 22. with expenses paid.

Mr. Wilford Douglas Mills was appointed half time graduate assistant in botany, beginning Sept. 1, 1920. Mr. Lionel E. Tisdale, half-time graduate assistant in botany, beginning September 1; and Mr. Hugh Burnice Smith, half-time graduate assistant in farm crops, beginning September 1. The question of the appointment of Miss Acelia Leach as half-time graduate assistant in bacteriology was referred to the president with power to act.

The extension budget for the year 1920-21 and the revision of the extension budget for the balance of this fiscal year were referred to the committee on extension division.

sion.

The following additional appropriations were made to the poultry husbandry, dairy and farm crops departments for the balance of the fiscal year: Dairy department, \$3,988.93; poultry husbandry, \$1,871.83; farm crops department, \$1,500.00.

The matter of the title of Mr. E. L. Grover was laid upon the table until the next meeting.

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The salary of Mr. Kelty as inspector of apiaries was increased, beginning July 1, to be paid from the apiary inspection fund.

Professor Patten was authorized to attend a conference of the Official Inspectors and Chemists at Chicago, on May 26 and 27, with expenses paid; and Dean Edmonds was authorized to attend or send a delegate to the meeting of the American Home Economics Association at Colorado Springs, the last week in June, transportation expenses only to be allowed, and Professor Dirks was authorized to attend a meeting of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, at St. Louis, Mo., May 24 to 27, with transportation expenses allowed.

The next meeting of the Board is to be field June 15, at 11:30 a. m.

Mr. Waterbury and Mr. Woodman were authorized to have a conference with Dr. Brumley at Columbus, Ohio.

The matter of health service was referred to the president for report.

The matter of the Sale of the postal equipment belonging to the College was referred to the president and secretary were request.

ment belonging to the College was referred to act.

The president and secretary with power ed to submit an expense budget at the next meeting of the Board.

\$200 was added to the apportionment of the department of music, to cover the expenses of entertaining bands from the several towns of the state.

The Board adopted the following regulations in regard to the protection of wild life, etc., on the college grounds:

"In order that the wild life of the College campus and grounds may be preserved and that the safety of its human population may be assured the State Board of Agriculture re-affirms the rules adopted October 26, 1995, in conformity with Act No. 80 of the Session Laws of 1905, and calls special attention to the rule which states that "no person shall hunt, shoot or trespass upon any part or portion of the lands herein referred to. This shall be understood to mean that:

"(a) Except under proper authority no

"(a) Except under proper authority no person shall shoot, trap, destroy or in any

way harm, molest or annoy any of the birds, squirrels or other animals found upon the college grounds, whether such birds and animals are held to be harmful or not, and whether protected or not under the general laws of the state.

"(b) The use of firearms of any kind, and for any purpose, and also of air-rifles or air-guns, is absolutely prohibited on all college grounds—campus, gardens, farm, fields, woods and river—and the carrying of such weapons on college lands or in boats on the river is strictly forbidden, except under proper authority.

"(c) Authority to suspend the above rules

on the river is strictly forbidden, except under proper authority.

"(c) Authority to suspend the above rules or any part of them in special cases is vested in a committee consisting of the president of the college, the dean of the agricultural division, and the heads of the military, horticultural, forestry and zoology departments."

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lowing letter from the registrar was adopted:

"At a meeting of the faculty, Monday, May 17, it was voted to recommend to the State Board candidates for the degrees of Bachelor of Science and Doctor of Veterinary Medicine who were then eligible, provided their work for the spring term was satisfactorily completed.

"In order that this list of candidates may be absolutely correct upon your records, we are asking that your body approve at this time, such a list as may be passed upon by the faculty at the close of the present term, the names to be presented for record at your next meeting."

On motion of Mr. Watkins, the recommendations in regard to degrees contained in the following letter from the secretary of the faculty were approved:

"I am transmitting herewith two recommendations of the faculty for your approval."
First, the list of students who will be eligible for advanced degrees at the close of the present term, providing the work in which they are now enrolled is satisfactorily completed:
"Master of Science: Royce Willard Wyant." lo. ed: "At

completed:

which they are now enrolled is satisfactorily completed:

"Master of Science: Royce Willard Wyant, John Ernest Kotila, Carlyle L. Tweed.
"Master of Horticulture: Albert Jackson Olney, Ernest Hart.
"Master of Agriculture: John Eric Burnett, Francis Royal Kenney.
"Electrical Engineer: Harold L. Smith.
"Second, the recommendation of the committee of deans that the name of Philip B. Woodworth be presented for the honorary degree of Doctor of Science was approved and recommended to the Board."

The matter of the purchase of an automobile for Mr. Weston was referred to the president and secretary with power to act.

Dean Shaw and the president were authorized to take action regarding the appointment of Mr. H. M. Eliot as farm management demonstrator.

On motion adjourned.

-Class Notes - A. .

H. E. Harrison. 4427 West End Ave., Chicago, sends greetings.

Lyman J. Briggs, 3208 Newark St., Washington, D. C., has been permanently transferred from the U. S. Department of Agriculture, Bureau of Plant Industry, to the U. S. Bureau of Standards.

Fred H. Foster (with) is farming at Clarkston.

'03.

E. D. Allis is living at Howell.

S. W. McClure lives at 915 Raspberry St., Erie, Pa.
From Mary Kyes Allen (with), South Lyon, Mich., R. R. No. 1, we have this, "Am doing the work of a farmer's wife. Am also contributing editor of the Michigan Milk Messenger, the official paper of the Michigan Milk Producers' Association.

'05.
Cora L. Feldcamp. 1212 Emerson St. N.

Cora L. Feldcamp, 1212 Emerson St., N. W., Washington, D. C., was glad to receive the program for commencement week, but sends regrets.

w. E. Piper and Mrs. Piper (Alma Kenyon, with '09) are living at 2209 Church St.,
Wilmington, Delaware, where Piper is project engineer for E. I. du Pont de Nemours
& Co., in design division.

'08.
Glen Boyle, "Guinea" and Mrs. Boyle
(Nina Bradstetter (with '07) are living at
Milo.

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I. C. Holdridge lives at Milford.

111.

John W. Knecht, "Jack," and Mrs. Knecht (Louise Norton, '12) have returned to Grand Rapids and live at 1144 Cass Ave.

Robert P. Holdsworth is now living at 217 Walnut St., Stoughton, Mass.
"Eddie" Hulse of the Triangle Truck Co., of St. Johns, announces the arrival of a daughter, Jean Mary, on May 1.

113.

Barnard Pierce is a farmer with the Logan Ranch Co., Whittemore, R. R. No. 2.

F. J. Godin, Toledo, Ohio, R. R. No. 1. Box 24, writes, "Have purchased a greenhouse plant at the above address, and wish you would make this my permanent address and have the Record sent there. Hope to be able to visit the old school now that I have moved nearer to it."

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