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NEW MEMBERS OF FACULTY.

C. M. Hargrave, instructor in chemistry, whose home is in Rockville, Indiana, graduated from Rockville high school in 1905, and from Wabash College, Crawfordsville, Indiana, in 1909.

M. L. Tower, instructor in chemistry, graduated from Charlotte high school in 1904, and from M. A. C. in 1909 in the agricultural course. Mr. Tower spent the summer in Benton Harbor, St. Joseph, Holland and Muskegon as city milk inspector for the State Dairy and Food Department.

Mr. Anton S. Rosing, Assistant Professor of Civil Engineering, comes to us from the field of practical engineering. He was born in Denmark and came to this country sixteen years ago. He was graduated from the University of Michigan in 1900, since which time he has been continually engaged in practice. For the first five years after graduation Mr. Rosing served in various capacities with the Chicago Northwestern Railway on location surveys, construction and track elevation. From 1905 to 1908 he was Resident Engineer in charge of construction for the Chicago Southern Railway. In this position he superintended the construction of track work, concrete structures, river foundations, sewer and water lines, shops, buildings, etc. For the last year he has been in charge of the construction of an interurban railroad in Illinois. He is a member of the Western Society of Engineers. Mr. Rosing comes to us with the highest recommendations as an energetic, scholarly engineer, who, on account of his success in professional work, will be able to give an essentially, practical turn to his work of instruction. With his family he will occupy the Kedzie cottage in Oakwood.

Mr. Charles N. Wilson, instructor in civil engineering, is a graduate of the University of Arkansas, having received the degree of B. C. E. at the commencement of 1909. He had previously completed the high school course in that state, and has served an apprenticeship as teacher in the public schools.

Mr. John T. Buser, instructor in civil engineering, completed a four-year normal school course in Wisconsin in 1903. He entered the University of Wisconsin in the fall of 1905, and was graduated from the civil engineering course in June, 1909. He has occupied several positions as draftsman during vacation periods, and left an engagement of that kind to come to this college.

Mr. C. L. Wuebker comes to the college as an instructor in English and German. He is a graduate of Kenyon College, Ohio, in the class of 1908. That his college work was of unusual range is indicated by the fact that he was elected to membership in the honorary fraternity of Phi Beta Kappa. During

the past year he has been teaching in the high school at Oconto, Wis.

Mr. George F. Williamson is an instructor in the English Department. He is a graduate of the University of Nebraska and has had post-graduate work of the teaching of English, educational theory, etc., in that institution. He comes to the college from the high school in Springfield, Mo. He also has taught in the high school at Beatrice, Nebraska.

Mr. W. E. Sloat comes to the English Department from Morrisville College, Morrisville, Mo., where he has been Professor of English and Philosophy for several years. He has his bachelor's degree from the State University of Iowa and also did graduate work in that institution. He is a member of the honorary fraternity of Phi Beta Kappa.

MATHEMATICS.

Lloyd C. Emmons, Indiana University, A. B., '09, Central Normal College, B. S., 1906. Taught Danville Normal as instructor; three years' experience Common Schools. Geometry and algebra.

Stanley E. Crow, O. S. U. '09, A. B., geometry and algebra.

James E. Robertson, M. A. C. '09, geometry and algebra.

E. C. Beighle, Kansas State College '08, geometry and algebra.

MEETING OF THE STATE BOARD OF AGRICULTURE.

The most notable feature of the meeting of the board of agriculture was the acceptance of a gift from the estate of Wm. Smith Sayer. The resolutions adopted with reference to the bequest are as follows:

Resolved, That the State Board of Agriculture accepts the sum of \$500 from the estate of William Smith Sayer and agrees to invest it to the best of its power for the purpose of providing a permanent prize fund or income to be offered to the student, under-graduate or graduate, doing the most satisfactory and commendable work in bacteriology.

That a suitable announcement by the head of the department of Bacteriology be made in the annual catalog of the college.

That the condition controlling the award of said prize be left with the head of the Bacteriological department and that these conditions be announced each year by said individual not later than the first of November.

That we bespeak our appreciation of this gift from the parents and sister representing the estate of William Smith Sayer, and tender them our most cordial thanks.

One other action of the meeting of interest was the opening of bids and letting of the contract for an addition to the Botanical Building.

JUDGING CONTEST AT STATE FAIR SUCCESSFUL.

One of the most interesting events that occurred at the Michigan State Fair this week was the judging contest which was participated in by many students and former students of the Michigan Agricultural College. There were twenty-one contestants, and all but one of these had at some time been a student of the college, many of them having been short course students. The event was superintended by Prof. A. C. Anderson, head of the dairy department at the college, and every thing was run in business-like manner. Five each of cattle, horses, sheep and hogs were judged in separate rings.

The winner of the horse judging contest was Lee Hulett, special '09, of Lansing. The class of horses shown were two year-old Percheron stallions owned by E. Metz of Niles.

A. S. Martin, '11, of Pontiac, won the contest in judging Holstein Senior yearlings owned by F. F. Eager & Son of Howell and Pierson's Stock Farm at Hadley. Mr. Martin also won the sheep contest in judging yearling lambs, Shropshires, which were exhibited by Edward S. George of Detroit.

A. B. Winslow, '11, took the hog medal in judging the five hogs exhibited by Bartlett & Hubbard of Pontiac and Bennington.

The prizes offered were silver medals for each first in each of the classes and a silver cup for the man who did the best all round judging. There were sixty points allowed for correct placing of the animals and forty allowed for the reasons for placing them. The competition was very sharp in the average of the standings, Ira Beckley, special '09, of Battle Creek, winning first, scoring 297 points; A. B. Winslow second, with 291 points; R. G. Crane, 288, J. T. Miller, 284, and others following in close succession.

The names of those were E. H. Krehl, A. B. Winslow, W. M. Rider, A. H. Perrine, S. A. Martin, W. Watson, Ira Beckley, special '09, R. G. Ceane, H. H. Horton, E. B. Reid, D. A. Spencer, V. Potts, S. B. Wattles, A. R. Vincent, I. Kirshman, J. T. Miller, H. Parkhurst, S. K. Kimball, F. D. Barnhart and L. Hulett. — *Michigan Dairy Farmer*.

MARRIAGES.

Mr. Charles Goodrich Woodbury, '04, to Miss Marion Benjamin, June 22, Lafayette, Ind.

Mr. Floyd Pitt Felt, special agriculture, to Miss Florence Elizabeth Hammond, August 4th, Lansing, Mich. At home after Nov. 1st, at Emporia, Florida.

Mr. Ralph Stowell Hudson, '07, to Miss Lottie Nora Daniels, Aug. 12th, Okemos, Mich. At home after Sept. 15th at East Lansing.

Mr. John J. Nies to Miss Anna Baker Wheeler July 28th, St. Charles, Ill.

ALUMNI

Entered in '59.

We take the privilege of copying an interesting bit of biography that recently came to our desk on a postal card.

LANSING, MICH., Sept. 13, 1909. The Secretary M. A. C.:

I recently met my second cousin, Oliver Butts Ireland, of Delmar, Albany Co., N. Y., who entered M. A. C. in 1859 from Okemos, Mich. I believe his address is unknown to the compilers of the list of former students. He enlisted Sept. 14, 1861, in Co. E, 90th N. Y. Vol. Inf., and was promoted to 2nd Lieut. in 1863. Soon after, he was commissioned captain in the 5th engineers, Corps d' Afrique, which regiment was later redesignated as the 99th U. S. colored infantry. He was honorably discharged in 1866.

'78.
Albert A. Robinson, '78, met death about two weeks ago in an automobile accident. The machine in which Mr. and Mrs. Robinson and Mrs. H. E. Tremaine were riding collided with a railroad train at Bay City, and resulted in the sudden death of the entire party.

'81.
Mrs. L. G. Carpenter, '81, has lately been elected historian of the Wolverine Club at Ft. Collins, Colorado. She read a paper, entitled "Michigan" at the first meeting of the club, Sept. 10, in which she presented to the sixty members of the new organization the very bright side of Michigan life.

'88.
C. H. Redman, '88, is at present in the office of Div. Engineer of C. M. & St. P. Ry., Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

'91.
C. F. Baker, '91, recently donated to Pomona College museum an herbarium containing 200,000 specimens and an equally large entomological collection. The two are valued at from \$15,000 to \$18,000.

'93.
F. B. Mumford, A. M., '93, who for 14 years has been professor of animal husbandry in the University of Missouri, has been made dean of the College of Agriculture. He will succeed H. J. Waters, who has resigned to become president of the Kansas Agricultural College.

Dick Jay Crosby, '93, lately delivered before the University of Texas at Dallas a series of lectures on "agricultural education." He received resolutions of gratitude and the kind regards of the summer school as teacher and lecturer.

'05.
Victor R. Gardner, '05, who has been at the University of Maine for the past two years is at present head of the horticultural department there and will probably succeed Prof. Hurd as acting dean following the latter's resignation.

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TUESDAY, SEPT. 21, 1909.

No one who is entering college this year doubts the feasibility of the steps. The advantages attained from higher education are strikingly apparent in every circle of life. But here is no place to moralize.

Those of us who are here for the first time have come from a more or less responsible field of labor. A radical change has taken place in our environment and we are plastic in the hands of it. Here, we are beginning to recreate. A certain amount of freedom and restrictions are being felt and we shall act accordingly as they increase or diminish. Today we lay the corner stone for the foundation of all that may come hereafter, and we are not experienced masons in the art. We do not comprehend the various vicissitudes that life and age may have in store. Our shoulders are not burdened with responsibilities and it is well not to be too serious about these things at present. It may be well to allow such words as vicissitudes, burdens and responsibilities to become lost from our vocabulary for a period of time.

But pause here; it is not well to interpret too freely. Freedom of interpretation is the trap that destiny sets. Never mind that. The questions with every student today are: How shall I determine the importance of things? And with what actions shall I betray my attitude of their importance? In other words how shall I show college spirit? Particular emphasis on the word college.

In consideration of the outcome of four years' constant effort on our part, the most optimistic conclusion tells us that results are only probable. How much of that which we may learn here and will be remembered after the examination may be bound in one small volume. The pleasant associations with the members of the faculty and classmates are sure some day to be merely one of many chapters of more or less pleasant memories. The campus slang and freakish cap and pantaloons will some day be lost in the language of a hurrying business world and the sober dress of shops and mills and we shall conclude that the results to be attained were too highly exaggerated in our dreams.

There now, my man, don't cry! Our days may be what we make them and the heights of Sinai climbed. But college is not so much a place to learn facts, anyway, as it is for one to learn how to adapt one's self to his surroundings. And that is what education is. It is largely in the spirit.

It is hardly a fact worthy of mention that the Michigan Agricultural College is the oldest institution of

its kind in America, nor is it worth while to say that the campus of this renowned institution is considered by experts in landscaping to be the most beautiful in the United States. Neither is it important to mention the magnitude and equipment of a school in which the special theme lies somewhere in the realms of progress. But in entering the heart of a subject, for certain lines of which a particular institution stands, one cannot help but note the unique character of some of its peculiarities.

If Michigan is the first state in the Union to establish this sort of education it is just and right to call her the foster parent of industrial and agricultural education. And so we may drop Michigan out of the subject by the unfaltering determination to engrandeur her name with a greater stride toward the goal of perfecting dear old M. A. C. than has ever been accomplished during a previous year.

The Michigan Agricultural College establishes a certain relation between each of us and the outside world. Exactly what that relation is depends upon what the outside world will be when we meet it. But there are some general statements that will hold good in a majority of cases.

In order for a man to be of effective service to any community he must be educated. But the term education has been varying in its application so incessantly that it has to be redefined at the beginning of each year. Today education means simply being onto one's job. It is the training of heart and hand as well as deepening some of the fissures in a certain area of gray matter. The term education takes happiness also into its scope. No truly educated man can be wholly miserable, and in order for a man to be happiest he must have things under the proper focus. This latter thing is certainly the aim of all great attempts. In business it is called system. In art it is beauty. In science it is application. In life it is love. Etc., etc.

In looking back over the history of the nation we find wild lands, and waste country. But as we read over the recent issues of the daily papers we are confronted with astonishing statements that there are so many people living in a certain tenement; that during a recent financial stringency so much gold bullion was carried away in the pockets of so many aliens; that a man by the name of Patten made a fortune in a certain way and that a large factory once very prosperous in a great city has lately moved to a smaller town on account of cheaper help. In view of these things we not only see that education may be a beautiful thing, but that it is necessary as well.

It is an old-time saying that there is plenty of room at the top of the ladder. Well, although this is true, we will have to revert to the new definition. A man may be onto his job any where, even at the bottom. This brings to mind another old-time distinction that must some day lose its lines. And that is the difference between income, salary and wages.

In preparation for future exigencies we must not forget that this is the twentieth century. The north pole has been discovered. Specialization is the motto of the masses; utilization the motto of the classes; and when the earth some day shall

need a Martian system of canals the specialists and utilitarians will be onto the job.

This little article is written merely to think about.

The Late Charles McDiarmid.

The late Charles McDiarmid was born in Elgin county, Ontario, Canada, in 1850, and was 58 years old when he died. He received a good education in the Canadian schools, and when 17 years old removed with his parents to Manistee county, Michigan in 1867.

From 1880 to 1884 he took a full four years' course in the Agricultural College of Michigan. After graduating he was offered a position in the college, but declined it.

In the spring of 1892 he came to Hemet with his mother, sister, brother and uncle.

Until the day of his death he was a successful landowner and farmer, thoroughly capable and educated for his chosen profession in life. In Canada his uncle was postmaster of the town where he lived and Charles McDiarmid was his assistant.

In addition to being a scientific farmer, he was frequently employed as surveyor in Hemet. He took an active part in organizing the new Farmers' and Merchants' Bank, and was elected a director.

His life was pre-eminent for its sterling integrity and he was a man always ready to meet his obligations, besides being conservative and safe.

He was one of the leaders in the Socialist party and labored for the cause with his whole heart and soul. He never wearied of spreading the gospel of good-will toward men. The great aim of his life was to improve social conditions and to make the common people happy and prosperous.

He did his share in helping to rid the world of its wrongs, cruelties and oppressions, and had an abiding faith in the coming millennium for the laboring man.—*Hemet, (California) News.*

Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

C. W. Hayes, of Washburn College, Topeka, Kas., has been chosen secretary of the association for the coming year. He comes well recommended for the work.

The officers and members of the association are enthusiastic over the present prospects of a banner year. They have established an employment bureau in view of rendering assistance to those who intend to support themselves, and are taking an active part in locating new students.

The association extends a cordial invitation to all students, both old and new, to join the ranks and to be present at the following meetings:

September 23, 6:20 p. m., first meeting.

September 24, 7:30 p. m., great stag social in the armory.

Old Time in whose bank we deposit our notes,
Is a miser who always wants guineas for groats.
He keeps all his customers still in arrears
By lending them minutes and charging them years.—*Holmes.*

'97.

H. E. Van Norman, '97, was elected manager and secretary of the National Dairy Show Association by the board of directors, which met in the Briggs House, Chicago, June 23, 1909. Great confidence is expressed in his ability to make the Fourth National Dairy Show a success.

'99.

P. S. Rose, '99, has resigned his chair of professor of steam and experimental engineering and has accepted a position on the editorial staff of both "The American Thresherman" and "Gas Review" and will devote all his time to these publications.

'00.

Mark L. Ireland and his wife, Irena Thompson Ireland, '00, are at present living just outside the city of Lansing. After Oct. 2nd they will move to Fort Stevens, Oregon, where Mr. Ireland will hold the office of First Lieutenant Commander of Artillery of the District.

'04.

Word was received from Mr. A. B. Rogers, '04, announcing his marriage to Miss Josephine G. Walsh, of Chicago, on July 12th. He acknowledges receipt of the book of the "Semi-Centennial Celebration," and expresses his appreciation of the RECORD. The RECORD extends congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Rogers and wishes them much happiness.

'07.

Alfonso G. Palacio, '07, visited the college Monday. He came from Durango, Mexico, where he and his father are interested in farming and dairying. The live stock products of Mexico consist chiefly of mules, sheep, goats and Jersey cattle. Mr. Palacio was intending to stop in Texas on his return trip and buy a carload of Jerseys. A profitable feature of dairying in Mexico is the great difference in the price of butter which is 80 cents per pound and the cost of labor which is 50 cents a day. The neighborhood of Durango is noted especially as a wheat raising district. Pepper also grows abundantly. Mr. Palacio and his father together own 9,000 acres of Mexico's gentle slope.

Mr. Ezra J. Krous, '07, writes from Medford, Oregon, to extend greetings to all at M. A. C. and says that he is enjoying himself first rate. He has accepted a position in the department of Entomology in the Washington Agricultural College at Pullman, Wash.

'08.

Mr. Marion E. Hall, '08, is teaching this year in the Rochester, Ind., High School.

LOST.—Somewhere between sunrise and sunset, two golden hours each set with sixty diamond minutes. No reward is offered, for they are gone forever.—*Horace Mann.*

"The one thing we demand from our employees," said the head of the office force, "is correctness of figures."

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ABOUT THE CAMPUS

The annual meeting of the Association of American Agricultural Colleges and Experiment Station Workers was held at Portland, Oregon, on August 18-20. The usual M. A. C. men were in evidence. More than twenty alumni were present, nine of whom are station directors; five of this number also hold the deanship of agriculture in large institutions.

There has come to our desk announcement of a second Pugsley Prize of \$100 offered by the Lake Mohonk Conference on International Arbitration. The prize is offered for the best essay on "International Arbitration." An account of last year's contest and of the presentation of the prize as well as a copy of the prize winning essay will be mailed on request. Address H. C. Phillips, Mohonk Lake, N. Y.

Hood River Valley, Oregon, is noted the world over for its fine apples and strawberries. It grows but one variety of strawberries and two varieties of apples, the Newtown pippin and the Spitzenburg. The crop last year brought the growers two dollars and fifty cents per box net. The population of the valley, including the village of Hood River, is about six thousand. It is worthy of note that this valley has a University Club numbering one hundred and three members.

President and Mrs. Snyder, with their boys, called on Mrs. Abbot and her son, Mr. Rodney Abbot,

while in Southern California during the summer. They live on their ranch near San Gabriel, about five miles south of Pasadena. Mrs. Abbot while past the four score mark is in good health and excellent spirits. She enjoys seeing any from the college where she spent so many years and was such an important factor with her distinguished and beloved husband in forming the lives of thousands of young people. Her son has a fine orange grove, but gives his special attention to his dairy. He has about eighty head of Jerseys and furnishes a high grade of milk to the village of Alhambra.

A REVISED VERSION.

1. The pony is my helper I shall not flunk.
2. He maketh me to have good translations and leadeth me to much glory.
3. He raiseth my standing, he leadeth me in the paths of knowledge for credit's sake.
4. Yea tho I plod through the fourth book of Virgil I will fear no evil, for thou art with me; thy words and thy phrases they comfort me.
5. Thou preparest my lessons for me in spite of my teachers; thou crownest my head with fame, my standings run high.
6. Surely applause and recognition shall follow me all the days of my life and the pony shall dwell in my house forever.—Ex.

PROVERBS.

- A book that remains shut is but a block.
- Bad is the sack that will not bear patching.
- Critics are like brushers of other people's clothes.
- Danger past, God is forgotten.
- Expect nothing from him who promises a great deal.
- Fall not out with a friend for a trifle.
- Good advice is never out of season.
- Happy people shall have many friends.
- If a man would learn to pray let him go to sea.
- Judge the daughter by the mother.
- Kind words don't wear out the tongue.
- Let the giver be silent and the receiver speak.
- Mock not a cobbler for his black thumbs.
- Not to advance is to recede.
- Of a little, take a little and leave a little.
- Past labor is pleasant.
- Quantity without quality is little thought of.
- Rust wastes more than use.
- Second thoughts are best.
- Take the will for the deed.
- Use the little to get the big.
- Vice is learned without a school-master.
- Were fools silent they would pass for wise.
- Look out for the cars.
- Young gambler—old beggar.
- Zeal is a bad servant.

LOST—A pair of gold spectacles in or near the library, F. N. Bovee marked on case. Finder please leave at secretary's office and get reward. NIGHT WATCH.

One of the college papers was struck the other day with the need of getting up a snappy appeal to subscribers. The result was the following:

Once upon a time a man who was too economical to take a college paper, sent his little boy to borrow the copy taken by his neighbor. In his haste the boy ran over a \$4 stand of bees and in ten minutes looked like a watery summer squash.

His cries reached his father, who ran to his assistance, and failing to see a barbed wire fence, ran into it, breaking it down, cutting a handful of flesh from his anatomy and ruining a \$4 pair of pants.

The old cow took advantage of the gap in the fence, got into the corn field and killed herself eating green corn. Hearing the racket, his wife ran, upsetting a four-gallon churn full of rich cream into a basket of kittens, drowning the whole flock. In her hurry she dropped a \$7 set of teeth.

The baby, left alone, crawled through the spilled cream, then into the parlor, and ruined a \$20 carpet. During the excitement the oldest daughter ran away with the hired man, the calves got out and the dog broke up eleven setting hens.

Moral—Suscribe now.

Watch this space next week for Fall Announcement

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PROGRESS OF EDUCATION

It is said that the school children of Sweden plant 600,000 trees annually.

*Purdue has established a department of training for teachers of technical subjects.

Dr. Henry Hopkins, former president of Williams college, died in Holland in August.

Dr. Henry A. Garfield, son of President Garfield, will be inaugurated president of Williams college, October 7.

It is reported that Andrew Carnegie will give \$10,000,000 to the Carnegie Institute, at Pittsburg, thus making it one of the greatest technical schools in the world.

Because he played professional base ball under an assumed name, George Capron, Minnesota's famous football captain, has been permanently debarred from college athletics.

Postmaster-General Meyer advocates special instruction to school children on how to address letters. This is suggested by the millions of pieces of mail matter that annually reach the dead letter office.

For the first time in public school history, a course in salesmanship, designed for retail and department stores, will be incorporated this year in the curriculum of the evening high schools for women in New York city.

Germany will send a school principal and six teachers to the United States, under the exchange of teachers plan provided by the Carnegie fund. These will be assigned to New York, Boston, Chicago, New Haven, Worcester and Exeter.

A dental clinic for the free examination and treatment of the teeth of children in the public schools is to be established in the city of Zurich, Switzerland. The clinic will be in charge of a registered dentist who will be paid a salary of from \$1,000 to \$1,400 per year.

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