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## THE TWENTY-THIRD ANNUAL ORATORICAL CONTEST.

The audience which listened to the program of the twenty-third annual oratorical contest last Friday evening was comparatively large and well pleased. The program was opened by the college orchestra and closed by the band after the presentation of the medals by Miss Helen Dodge.

The first speaker of the evening was Mr. Charles N. Ponitz, who took for his subject "True Success." Mr. K. D. Van Wagenen was next introduced and spoke upon the subject of "The Newer Justice." Miss Herbert then rendered a couple of solos. Mr. G. H. Collingwood, the third speaker, addressed the audience on "Daniel Webster," and Mr. S. P. Walker, who spoke last, took for his subject, "For Humanity's Sake." Mr. K. D. VanWagenen took first honors and Mr. S. P. Walker second. The judges were Mr. James Schermerhorn, of Detroit, Rev. James Hyslop, of St. Johns, Mr. Jno. McClellan, of Lansing, Rev. Price, of Lansing and Judge C. E. Stone, of Cassopolis.

The winner of this contest, Mr. Van Wagenen will represent M. A. C. in the annual state oratorical contest which will be held at this college in the pavilion of the new agricultural building on the evening of March 4th. A large crowd is expected from the nine contesting colleges and the faculty and students here will undertake to care for it comfortably. This is the only time in nine years we shall have the opportunity of entertaining and being entertained by so much college talent. As a host it is our duty to endeavor to show these eight visiting colleges a good time. As a contestant it shall not be discourteous to win. M. A. C. has won considerable fame on her home grounds. It hardly behooves us to lose on the evening of March 4th. Mr. Van Wagenen has a good subject and knows how to give it. But that is not all in a fight of this kind. A speaker must have encouragement. Some outside enthusiasm and appreciation must be shown. Let us not lag in showing the usual spirit. We must be good listeners as well as good yellers.

## SCROOBY CLUB.

The semi-annual business meeting of the Scrooby Club was held Friday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Wood. The following officers were elected for the remainder of the school year:

Pres.—Verne N. Taggett.  
Vice Pres.—Arthur M. Spencer.  
Sec.—Arthur C. Mason.  
Treas.—Henri C. Bursma.  
Member of Executive Com.—Harry W. Rowley.

Other important business was transacted and a good time enjoyed by all present.

## SECOND ANNUAL FRUIT SHOW.

The second annual Fruit Show was held in the Horticultural Laboratory, Friday afternoon, January 21st. The exhibitions were more numerous and the attendance much larger than last year. The room was very tastily decorated with ornamental plants and Hort. Club banners. Among the beautiful plants, the fine plates of fruit were displayed, each with its name and locality.

Perhaps one of the most interesting exhibits was a collection of sub-tropical specimens sent from Louisiana by C. A. Reed, '05. It consisted of several varieties of oranges, grape fruits, camphor plant, sugarcane and other southern products. These were arranged on a bed of Florida moss.



THE FRUIT SHOW.

Hood River, Oregon, was represented by ten varieties of apples sent by R. C. Brodie, '09. There were about a dozen varieties of apples from New York sent by M. J. Dorsey, '06. J. G. Moore, '03, sent an interesting collection from Wisconsin. W. J. Wright, '04, formerly editor of the RECORD, did not forget us, but represented Pennsylvania with a fine collection of York Imperial apples. The Massachusetts Agricultural College furnished a good collection of Massachusetts varieties of apples. Allegan county, Michigan, was represented by a collection of about 40 varieties sent by Walter Postiff of '09. Geo. W. Lindsley, '09, displayed about 30 plates from Emmet county. Jackson county was represented by 15 plates furnished by E. C. Sanford, '12. Many other counties were represented by smaller collections.

A photo, showing a part of the room, with the junior and senior Hort. students in the background is shown in this issue.

One of the most interesting features was the opportunity that the show afforded to compare the same varieties from different sections. It is hoped to continue these shows as annual affairs, to be held at the time when the short course students are here at the college.

## THE ROUND-UP INSTITUTE

Which forms a part of the one-week courses will begin a series of lectures upon soils, manures, fertilizers and farm crops. These topics will be in the hands of Prof. Jeffery, F. S. Kedzie and Prof. V. M. Shoemsmith, of the University of Ohio, respectively. One lecture on each of these subjects will be given each day. It is hoped to continue this series for a number of years. Other topics will relate to fruit growing, Wendell Paddock, Professor of Horticulture in Ohio State University at Columbus, will give two lectures on different phases of fruit culture. Among other speakers from outside the state will be A. T. Haecker, of the University of Nebraska, who will talk on "The Dairy Herd" and "The Silo." There will be two lectures on fores-

## ALUMNI

'82.

W. T. Snyder, '82, is head chemist of the Michigan Carbon Co., of Detroit.

W. T. Langley, '82, is making a pleasure trip to "paradise." We received a card from him a few days ago postmarked "Bermuda."

With '00.

Mr. F. W. Dodge, with '00, visited the college Monday, Jan. 31st. Mr. Dodge was taken down with typhoid fever during the spring term of his senior year. He hopes to complete the course and receive his diploma.

'08.

Jess Boyle, '08, is instructor in horticulture at Purdue.

'04.

Chas. O. Woodbury is horticultural specialist in the experiment station at Purdue.

With '04.

Fred. T. Sackrider, with '04, is at Sandstone, Mich. He is engaged in special dairying, and is putting on the local market at Jackson a special quality of cream suited to whipping. The demand for his product is exceeding his supply.

'07.

H. T. Brown, '07, is with the Michigan Carbon Co. of Detroit. His address is 292 4th St.

L. N. Hayden, '07, is helping in the construction of a tunnel under the Detroit river at Detroit. His address is 292 4th St.

'08.

T. B. Wilson, '08, has accepted a position in the department of dairy husbandry at the Oklahoma Agricultural College at Stillwater.

With '08.

A. H. Chase, with '08, is instructor in botany in the high school at Lafayette, Ind.

'09.

A. B. Stirling, '09, and B. H. Anibel, '09, are drafting with the Reo automobile works at Lansing.

## RESOLUTIONS.

Whereas, It has pleased the Heavenly Father to call from this life a former classmate, J. Edward Coulter, be it

Resolved, That the class of 1911 extend to the bereaved parents our heartfelt sympathy in their sorrow, and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent the bereaved parents, and also a copy be published in the *Holcad* and the *RECORD*.

CLARENCE S. ROE,  
EDMUND P. WANDEL,  
H. BASIL WALES,  
Committee.

With '99.

Miss Clara Jeanne Stocum, with '99, and Dr. J. F. Warford, were married at high noon at the Asbury M. E. church of Denver, Colo., August 18th. The couple now reside at Greeley, Colo.

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ANNOUNCEMENT OF APPOINTMENTS AND PROMOTIONS.

Subject to the approval of the president of the college, the following promotions and appointments in the corps are announced:

To be Lieut.-Colonel, Major I. D. McLachlan.

To be Major, 1st Battalion, Capt. J. E. Shaw.

To be Captain, Adjutant, 1st Lieut., L. T. Burritt.

To be Battalion Adjutant, 1st Battalion, 1st Lieut., A. P. Pulling.

At his own request Captain O. L. Snow, Adjutant, is relieved from duty as Adjutant and assigned to the command of Company "B," vice Shaw promoted.

G. M. HOLLEY,  
1st Lieut. 11th Infantry, U. S. Army, Professor of Military Science and Tactics.

Approved:

J. L. SNYDER,  
President.

POULTRY SHOW COMING.

The Michigan Agricultural College announces the second annual poultry show to be held in the pavilion of the Agricultural Building February 9-12, 1910. This show is to be held under the direction of the poultry department, and is subject to the rules of the American Poultry Association. There will be no entry fee. Ribbons will be given for first, second and third. Score cards will be used, and the department has been fortunate in securing J. W. Mulnix, of Toledo, to place the awards.

It is the purpose of the show to afford those interested in poultry an opportunity to exhibit and learn how to obtain more and better poultry. It is hoped the breeders will take advantage of this opportunity.

Birds will be properly cared for. It is necessary to have all birds leg banded so they can be properly scored. They must be entered before 9 p. m., Tuesday, February 8th, and in the show room not later than 9 a. m., Wednesday, February 9th.

A cordial invitation to attend is extended to every one. Those who do attend will have an opportunity to visit the College Poultry Department and learn more about the work there. The pavilion will be open until 9:30 evenings. It will be closed Saturday noon so that local breeders can remove their birds before Sunday. Birds from out of town will be returned on Monday unless otherwise ordered. Manifest your interest and boost by exhibiting stock, and by your presence. We want you with us.

MICHIGAN FARMERS' INSTITUTES FOR FEBRUARY.

*Two-day Meetings:* Lake county, Chase, Feb. 2-3; Ionia county, Ionia, Feb. 1-2-3; St. Clair county, Smith Creek, Jan. 31-Feb. 1; Macomb county, Richmond, Feb. 2-3; Lapeer county, Hadley, Feb. 4-5; Allegan county, Wayland, Feb. 3-4; Calhoun county, Battle Creek, Feb. 3-4; Van Buren county, Lawrence, Feb. 4-5; Berrien county, Eau Claire, Feb. 7-8; Cass county, Cassopolis, Feb. 8-9; St. Joseph county, Constantine, Feb. 9-10; Jackson county, Grass Lake, Feb. 9-10; Branch county, Coldwater, Feb. 10-11; Barry county, Hastings, Feb. 11-12; Hillsdale county, Jonesville, Feb. 11-12; Washtenaw county, Ypsilanti, Feb. 15-16; Livingston county, Howell, Feb. 18-19; Wayne county, Romulus, Feb. 16-17; Oakland county, Pontiac, Feb. 16-17; Genesee county, Goodrich, Feb. 17-18; Lenawee county, Adrian, Feb. 17-18; Ingham county, Mason, Feb. 15-16; Shiawassee county, Morrice, Feb. 7-8.

*Round-up Institute:* Agricultural College, Feb. 22-25.

*One-day Meetings:* Jackson county, Michigan Center, Jan. 31; Brooklyn, Feb. 1; Napoleon, Feb. 2; Henrietta, Feb. 3; Tompkins Center, Feb. 4; Rives, Feb. 5; Oakland county, Ortonville, Feb. 4; Highland, Feb. 5; Hillsdale county, Litchfield, Feb. 1; Allen, Feb. 2; Montgomery, Feb. 3; Cambria, Feb. 4; Pittsford, Feb. 5; Ransom, Feb. 7.

Livingston county, Gregory, Feb. 2; Parker's Corners, Feb. 3; Pinckney, Feb. 4; Brighton, Feb. 5; Oak Grove, Feb. 7; Deerfield, Feb. 8; Tyrone, Feb. 9.

Washtenaw county, Ann Arbor, Feb. 7; Dexter, Feb. 8; Sylvan Township, Feb. 9; Manchester, Feb. 10; Saline, Feb. 11; Stony Creek, Feb. 12, Salem, Feb. 14.

Barry county, Woodland, Feb. 7; Carlton Center, Feb. 8; Freeport, Feb. 9; Middleville, Feb. 10.

Wayne county, Cherry Hill, Feb. 7; Plymouth, Feb. 8; New Boston, Feb. 9; Dearborn, Feb. 10; Trenton, Feb. 11; Greenfield, Feb. 12.

Genesee county, Gaines, Feb. 15.

THE FARMERS' CLUB.

The Club was addressed Tuesday, Jan. 25th, by Instructor Geo. Brown. His subject was "Sheep-raising in Michigan."

He said that the sheep business was on a better footing in Michigan twenty years ago, than it is today. The chief reason for this decline has been the opening of the great West with its immense grazing lands. But now that the western lands are being fenced in, the East is coming again into its own, and the raising of sheep is gradually increasing here.

Mr. Brown spoke upon the considerations to be looked after in establishing a sheep farm. He mentioned the four best breeds—Shropshire, Hampshire, Rambouillet and Oxford. He also spoke of the care of the sheep, and their housing.

The Club then enjoyed a lunch of apples. It does not promise absolutely, that it will have a "spread" every Tuesday evening, but those are the intentions.

Everyone is invited.

MR. J. EDWARD COULTER.

The college community was shocked last week to learn of the sudden death of Mr. J. Edward Coulter, who was a member of the present Junior class for two years, dropping out of college at the end of last year. Mr. Coulter was working for a sugar factory in Texas, and suffered a fracture of the jaw bone. The physician in an endeavor to place him under an anesthetic produced fatal results.

Mr. Coulter had the confidence and respect of his teachers and fellow students, all of whom grieve with and for the family. His parents are Mr. J. E. Coulter and Mrs. Alice Weed Coulter, both of whom graduated with the class of '82.

HORTICULTURAL CLUB.

Last Wednesday evening a full house gathered to hear Mr. Chas. Pratt, with '09, speak on "Fruit Farm Management." He expressed his delight at being back again and spoke of the great increase in the size of the club since he was a member. Mr. Pratt is a very successful fruit grower, at Benton Harbor, Mich., and gave us the benefits of his experience.

From the very first he impressed upon us the absolute necessity of strict business management. He compared a fruit farm to a manufacturing industry and showed that the one was as surely doomed to failure without business management as the other.

Another important factor is to become thoroughly acquainted with your soil. Know the character of the soil of every spot on the farm and know what fruit it is adapted to raise. Then lay out the farm accordingly, having the rows as long as possible so as to save time in turning in cultivating.

The kinds of fruit grown is of great importance. It should be so selected that one crop will follow after the other with no intermissions. This makes it possible to engage help for the entire season, and does not crowd by having everything come on at once. The following succession was suggested: Onions and rhubarb, strawberries or sweet cherries, sour cherries, raspberries, blackberries or Dutch apples, Bartlett pears, early peaches, Howell pears, late apples, grapes and Kiefer pears.

Mr. Pratt suggested work for the winter so as to alleviate things during the busy season. Do your pruning, if the weather is suitable. Any handy man with tools can make his own barrels and crates, and have much better ones than he can buy. Grape baskets can be bought much cheaper during the winter than during the grape season. Tools can be repaired and painted.

A lively question box followed the talk, during which Maiden's Blush apples were served. Mr. J. G. France gave a short history and description of them. The meeting was closed by giving Mr. Pratt a rising vote of thanks.

The meeting this week will be addressed by Mr. Henry Walter, of Cheboygan, on "Orchard Methods in the Northwest."

Lost.—An overcoat, probably at Club D. Finder please leave at president's office and receive reward.

TEAM PLAYS FINE BALL.

The basketball team on its Indiana trip last week played splendid ball, and in all its games was given credit for being one of the fastest teams seen in the Hoosier state. The press was especially kind, and praised the team, players and college throughout the trip.

The first game was played in Jackson with the Y. M. C. A. of that city, and resulted in a victory, 27 to 18. This game was scheduled for later in the year, but was switched, as it was found necessary to spend the evening there to make connections for Purdue the following day.

The Purdue boiler makers were played the following evening, the game being lost, 35 to 9. This game was the poorest played by the team on the trip. Tired from the all day ride and apparently suffering from stage fright from the 1,500 people present and the enormous floor of Purdue's magnificent new gymnasium, the men were unable to find the basket, although playing a good floor game and handling the ball well. Busch was the star for M. A. C., scoring all the points for the team. The team was splendidly treated by the crowd, and the visit the following morning to the university shops, laboratories and buildings was worth many days of college work.

The following night Rose Polytechnic was met at Terre Haute, the engineers winning 31 to 28 in a thrilling game with the lead alternating every few moments. Busch was again the scoring machine, ringing up 21 points himself.

The following day the team journeyed to Crawfordsville for the game with the "Little Giants." This wonderful little college, year after year, has turned out basketball teams second to none in America, and, on their own box-like floor, have been always considered unbeatable. The game was a thriller and kept the crowd in an uproar from whistle to whistle. Three times the score was tied in the last five minutes. Leffel, Wabash's big forward coming through with a basket, with thirty seconds to play, winning the game 25 to 21. Big Art Campbell played a wonderful game, scoring four field baskets and covering his man throughout, while the guarding of Hanish and Chamberlin was said to be the best ever seen on their floor.

The last game of the trip was with our old friends, Notre Dame, and to record that we beat them and licked them 28 to 21 on their own floor is proof of the grade of basketball the team was playing. Only once before since their gymnasium was built, and that by Wabash, has a college team been able to carry off the big end of the score on their court. Their court is an immense one, 100 feet in length, with a dirt floor, an unusual handicap for a visiting team, to say nothing of the known aggressiveness of all Notre Dame teams when playing at home. The game was the most exciting and aggressive of the trip, both teams fighting desperately throughout. At the end of the first half the score was a tie at 12 all. In the second half M. A. C.'s condition told and she slowly forged ahead. Notre Dame kept sending in fresh men, using no less than nine men to stave off defeat, but

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## ABOUT THE CAMPUS

Prof. V. T. Wilson attended the automobile show at Detroit, Saturday.

The New York Club will give its first annual dance the evening of Friday, February 4th. The party will be held in the new Agricultural Building.

A short course student who was too free with his roommate's money fell into the clutches of the law last week and paid a fine. He has left college for good, and without the certificate usually granted to short course students.

The juniors beat the seniors last week by a score of 36 to 21 in basketball and the freshmen won from the "preps" by a score of 18 to 16. This gives the juniors a lead in the interclass league by three straight victories. The seniors and sophomores are tied for second with two victories and one defeat each. These interclass games are arousing nearly as much interest as the regular series this year.

The board in charge of the annual college function given for the benefit of the Athletic Association held its first meeting last week. A committee of three, consisting of Messrs. J. A. Sanford, C. H. Dickinson, and Frank Campbell, was appointed to solicit assistance from the non-society men. This committee urges that any and all men having any talent in any line will report to them as soon as possible as they desire to get a line on the help they can obtain from the non-society men.

Sunday, January 23d, found a number of old M. A. C. men visiting at the Eclectic House. Among them were L. F. Blunden, with '10, of Detroit; A. T. Barley, with '08, and B. L. Clark, with '09, of Lansing; J. H. Hawkins, with '11, and T. J. Bettes, with '11, of Grand Rapids. Mr. Bettes is about to start for Oklahoma.

Prof. Jeffery was in Jackson Friday afternoon and Saturday judging corn and talking before the Jackson County Corn Improvement Association. He will be at Ionia Wednesday judging corn at the corn show at the Ionia County Corn Improvement Association and the Ionia County Boys Corn Growing Association. These associations will hold meetings in connection with the Ionia county round-up institute.

NOTICE. — As every college student knows, or should know, it has fallen to the lot of the junior class this year to get out a publication for the college. This publication is a book popularly known as the "J. Annual." Now the "J. Annual" board is working hard to make this book a top-notch. But they can never do this unassisted. This is not a class book, but an edition intended to represent the whole college. The purpose of this is to remind you, *you* meaning every student at M. A. C., that we need your immediate help in the shape of drawings, jokes, stories, poems and grinds to aid us to make this, *your* college book, the most successful yet produced.

### FORESTERS.

State Geologist R. C. Allen will talk to the Foresters' Club Tuesday evening, Feb. 1.

The club meetings are open to all and a good series of programs has been planned for this winter term. Among the speakers are A. C. Carton, secretary of the public domain commission, for February 8; B. F. Hall, Jr., of Hall Lumber Co., Feb. 15; Commissioner Ely and Engineer Frank F. Rogers, of the public highway commission, on March 1. R. S. Kellogg, in charge of statistics U. S. Forestry Service, will also lecture, the date to be announced later.

### IF HE HAD HIS WAY.

"If I could have my way I should build a couple of warships a year less," writes James J. Hill in the *World's Work*. "Perhaps one would do. I would take that \$5,000,000 or \$6,000,000 a year and start at least 1,000 agricultural schools in the United States at \$5,000 a year each, in the shape of model farms. This model farm would be simply a tract of land conforming in size, soil, treatment, crop selection and rotation and methods of cultivation to modern agricultural methods. Its purpose would be to furnish to all its neighborhood a working model for common instruction.

### TEAM PLAYS FINE BALL.

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when the last whistle blew the score board showed 28 to 21, M. A. C. on top for the first time in any athletic contest in the Irishmen's own lair. Barnett's floor work and aggressiveness was a great factor in the victory, while Campbell again played strongly, coming through with two baskets near the close, which settled the game. Too much credit, however, cannot be given Duthie and Chamberlin, guards, both playing their first year on the team. They staved off continually the scoring onslaughts of the fighting Irishmen, and during the last half allowed them only six points from the field.

M. A. C.'S LINE-UP ON THE TRIP.  
Busch, l f                      Duthie, c and r g  
Barnett, r f                     Hanish, r g  
Campbell, c                     Chamberlin, l g

The trip again showed the handicap under which the squad works, in having only the armory for practice. M. A. C.'s handling of the ball and floor work should have made a clean sweep of the games, but the handicap of having no work at open shooting, on account of working only in the armory with the low hanging girders was almost fatal. It is very evident M. A. C. never can compete on equal terms with teams of equal playing strength under this handicap.

Glenn James, formerly instructor in mathematics here, is now instructing in mathematics at Purdue.

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#### OPPORTUNITIES IN THE PHILIPPINE CONSTABULARY.

The Bureau of Insular Affairs of the War Department has received a call for the appointment of twenty third lieutenants in the Philippine Constabulary at salaries of \$1,100 per year, to arrive in the islands about April 15. These men must be unmarried, graduates of reputable colleges, and men of physical strength and activity with good moral characters and habits. The position affords an opportunity for travel and a broad experience which could be gained in relatively few positions and does not in any way limit a young man to a career in the Constabulary.

Below is an extract from General Orders No. 60, determining eligibility:

1. No person will be appointed who is under 21 or over 30 years of age; who is not a citizen of the United States; or who is not a native of the Philippine Islands or a person who has, under and by virtue of the treaty of Paris, acquired the rights of a native of the Philippine Islands; or who is not physically qualified to discharge all the duties of an officer in active service; or who has any deformity of the body, or mental infirmity, or whose moral habits are not good.

2. A candidate who has been graduated at a regularly incorporated college or university may be appointed without mental examination on presentation of a diploma, together with a recommendation of the faculty of the institution, and with full and satisfactory evidence as to mental capacity, moral character, and personal habits, and occupation since graduation.

3. Every candidate appearing for examination will be subjected to a rigid physical examination, which will conform to the standard required of the United States Army; and applicants for appointment from the United States must include in their papers a certificate of physical examination by two physicians which will embrace the information required by the form for the examination of recruits.

Any one seeking an appointment of this kind may have further information of Lieut. Holley.

"Pat." Thacker, assistant coach and Y. M. C. A. director here last year, is teaching history and economics at Winona Lake, Indiana.

The members of the Ero Alphan Society were entertained by Miss Edith Roby with a sleigh ride and dinner Saturday, January 22d.

#### MICHIGAN PEACE ORATORICAL ASSOCIATION.

In April, 1908, the University of Michigan was asked to send a man to speak at the International Peace Contest. As one of their men had received second honors on an oration on the subject, he was sent. Last year several students of the university had prepared orations on the same subject, and Professor Trueblood, of the department of oratory, began the organization of a State Peace Oratorical Contest, for the right to represent Michigan in the Interstate Association. Alma, Albion, and Olivet were asked to join. The Michigan Agricultural College was unintentionally overlooked at the time. Alma declined. Hope, Hillsdale, and Ypsilanti were later consulted, and finally M. A. C. On Jan. 31st the organization was further encouraged by the Interstate Association saying that if Michigan would hold a state contest, in which at least three colleges should participate, it would furnish testimonials of \$75 and \$50 for the first and second honor men. On March 2d M. A. C. was asked to appoint a man and get him ready for the contest.

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