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CADET BAND

BAND PROMENADE.

The first promenade concert of the year will be given in the armory next Friday evening from 7:30 to 9:30. The band is working up an excellent program, and Prof. King will be present to liven up the occasion with several selections.

Remember, all the ladies are invited to attend, free of charge, and the admission for the men is the very small sum of 15 cents.

A good many are probably not aware of the progress of the band so far this year. It now numbers 35 men, and has the regular military company organization. Shortly after the opening of college, the pitch of the band was changed from concert to international, placing it upon a footing, in that respect, with the best bands in the country. At the same time seven new instruments were purchased—four clarinets, a piccolo, a concert horn, and an alto saxophone, at a cost of approximately \$200. During the Christmas vacation, new music stands were also purchased, which will greatly improve the appearance of the band in concert. The plans now under consideration by the band, to be of still further service to the student body by inaugurating a series of Sunday afternoon concerts, are given more in detail elsewhere in this issue.

We have the best college band in Michigan, and we believe the student body is proud of it. Why not have the best in the country? We can if we want it badly enough to work for it. We have the men. We still need more equipment. Do your share to boost your band to the top by digging up 15 cents when the tickets are brought around. Then, after buying the ticket, be sure to come to the armory Friday night and get double your money's worth.

FRUIT SHOW.

The fourth annual Fruit and Flower Show will be given by the members of the Horticultural Club, probably in a room in the agricultural building, Friday and Saturday of this week. This promises to be one of the largest, most interesting and attractive shows yet given. A very fine lot of fruit, not only from

various points in Michigan, college and the South Haven station orchards will be attractively displayed, but there will be interesting exhibits from Oregon, the Northwest, Iowa, Wisconsin, Indiana, Ohio, New York, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, and other sections of the country.

The landscape gardening students will have an exhibit illustrative of this important subject, and a large number of greenhouse plants will be on exhibition, with something of the history of each.

It is hoped that an apple pie contest can be arranged for. Prof. Hunt has consented to ask her senior class to try their hand making the pies. These will be judged, and the winner will receive, as a prize, a barrel of apples. It is expected that this feature of the show will be of considerable interest.

This fruit show is free to all, and all are cordially invited to visit this display, which promises to be the best ever made. Watch the bulletin boards for exact time and place.

"MAGDA" ENDORSED BY THE DRAMA LEAGUE.

The Drama League of America, organized in Chicago within the last year or two, with the avowed purpose of acting as dramatic censor, arbiter, monitor, and the like in things dramatic, is no doubt doing a great work in the matter of establishing a dramatic standard in the United States; and its influence is being felt abroad. It has put its stamp of approval upon "Magda," soon to be given in the armory by the M. A. C. Dramatic Club.

As a professional dramatic offering, "Magda" has been made famous by Mrs. Campbell in the title role. No other professional actress, who has so far undertaken to impersonate the Magda part, has been successful. Notwithstanding this fact, the play has already been attempted by amateur casts at various colleges in neighboring states, and in some cases with good success.

The club has been approached by several of its friends upon the subject of its attempting a heavy drama, and the Magda is the result. The club believes the cast will give a good account of themselves.

ENTERTAINMENT FOR SHORT COURSE MEN.

The first regular entertainment for men attending short courses was given in the church parlors Saturday evening. Over 150 were present, and an attempt was made to have each man meet every other man, with the result that a most enjoyable and noisy hour was spent.

Dean Shaw gave the fellows a splendid talk along the line of "The Old and the New," pointing out that the East Lansing church represented the newer ideas of church work and helpfulness. He urged all to accept of the privileges of the men's rooms for social intercourse, calling attention to the fact that these might be made to serve them in the same manner in which regulars were served by our literary society rooms. His talk was received with enthusiasm.

The second meeting will be held next Saturday evening, at which time a program will be given, including a short speech by Mr. Pattengill or some other forceful speaker. Refreshments will be served.

The young men were again invited to drop in at any time for a visit with friends, to write letters, etc., and the indications are that these offers will be accepted by a large number of our short course men.

On Friday evenings the entertainment of these students will be taken care of from Dean Shaw's office, and everything will be done by all concerned to make the winter months pleasant for our short course men.

P. H. Piper is a member of the firm of Piper & Demske, mason contractors and builders, located at 520 Forest Ave. E., Detroit. Mr. Piper is particularly interested in the re-inforced concrete work.

O. G. Anderson, member of our 1911 graduating class, and Grace Dickinson, with '13, were married at the home of the bride's parents, in Davison, on Christmas day. Mr. Anderson is in charge of a large farm near Richfield, where the young people will make their home.

ALUMNI

'64.
Lewis J. Gibson, a member of the class of '64, died at his home in Grand Ledge on Friday of last week. Mr. Gibson had been in poor health for some time, but his condition was not considered serious. After sweeping his porch on above date, he complained of feeling very tired, and, sitting down in a chair, passed quietly away. Mr. Gibson was a prominent teacher and merchant until his health failed him, a few years ago, since which time he has lived quietly at his home in Grand Ledge. He was granted the degree of M. S. by this college in 1867, and was one of the three living members of his class of '64. The two remaining are Dr. William W. Daniels, of the University of Wisconsin, and Lewis Vanderbilt, of Phoenix, Ariz.

'96.
W. J. McGee, with the bureau of chemistry in the custom house at New Orleans, La., is kept busy these days. He is in the food and drug laboratory, and his work at present is almost entirely with imported goods. Prof. Baker had a pleasant chat with him on his recent trip.

'01.
Hugh P. Baker has resigned as professor of forestry at Pennsylvania State College, to accept the chair of forestry in the University of Illinois, and will assume his duties in the latter institution April 1. Prof. Baker will have charge of the entire department at Illinois, and will have work both in the university and in the college of agriculture.

'02.
A. E. Kocher writes from San Antonio, Tex.: "We are mapping, this winter, about 21,000 square miles of soils lying immediately north and west of San Antonio, which is one step in the Bureau's 'Canada to the Gulf Reconnaissance' project begun in the summer of 1908."

'09.
Alfred Mitchell and Miss Amy Ruth Edwards were married in San Francisco, Dec. 29. The young people will be at home after Jan. 15 in the Empire Court apartment, cor. of Busch and Leavenworth Sts., San Francisco. Mr. Mitchell was a popular member of '09, and has best wishes of his many friends for long life and happiness.

'10.
J. N. Bidwell writes for an alumni catalog from Sacramento, California, and adds: "This problem of making a living keeps me so busy these days that little else is accomplished, although occasionally an old M. A. C. student or professor is found. Prof. Cook, who taught there in '70, is doing much for California horticulture, and the alumni here seem in pleasant circumstances." Mr. Bidwell's residence address is 1406 Enn St.

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THE SHORT COURSES.

A total of 338 persons have enrolled for work in our short winter courses, as compared with 321 in 1911. Of this number, 187 have entered for the first year in general agriculture, and 44 for the second year. The remainder are divided as follows: Creamery, 49; Fruit Growing, 39; Poultry, 16; and Cheesemaking, 3. Practically every section of the state is represented in these courses, and the enrollment blanks show several from outside of Michigan. Only two women, one for the work in Fruit Growing and one in Poultry, have enrolled.

It is interesting to note preparation of this class for the work in hand. The number having received instruction beyond the ordinary eighth grade is 185. These are divided as follows: 9 grades, 44; 10 grades, 41; 11 grades, 17; 12 grades, 42. The records show that 25 have had one or more years of college or university training, and 16 have attended business college.

Among those enrolled we note the following: Robert Y. Larned, Ph. B., University of Michigan, in Fruit Growing; Paul B. Rhons, S. B., University of Chicago in 1909, a chemist of Detroit, also in the class in Fruit Culture; Oscar J. Hood, of Lansing, a graduate of the U. of M. law course in '87, has entered for the work in Poultry, and Henry H. Tibbs, B. S. in C. E., a graduate of the University of Michigan, now of Grand Rapids, is studying Fruit Growing.

Following is a list of those who have entered for the work this year:

GENERAL AGRICULTURE, FIRST YEAR.

Adams, Lloyd J., Alamo, Mich.
Andrews, Thomas W., Petoskey, Mich.
Armstrong, Clarence H., Ypsilanti, Mich.
Ball, Chester D., Dowagiac, Mich.
Balle, Chas. W., Detroit, Mich.
Baxter, Fred F., Morley, Mich.
Beach, Lem, Mesick, Mich.
Bengal, Julius T., Rosebush, Mich.
Berg, Arthur S., Cadillac, Mich.
Bissell, Irving J., Grand Rapids, Mich.
Black, John J., Sandusky, Mich.
Blanchard, Lester, Hersey, Mich.
Boersema, Richard M., Grand Rapids, Mich.
Botimer, Earl, Reese, Mich.
Boynton, Walter W., St. Ignace, Mich.
Briggs, Ivan D., Bellevue, Mich.
Buckham, Roy, Kalamazoo, Mich.
Bunting, Lynn L., Tipton, Mich.
Burger, Vere, Bangor, Mich.
Carpenter, Clarence C., Troy, Mich.
Catt, Murray L., South Haven, Mich.
Clark, Earl W., Grand Rapids, Mich.
Clark, Jesse B., Gaines, Mich.
Cleland, Wilson, Kalamazoo, Mich.
Clements, Ferman R., Saline, Mich.
Coleman, Charles L., Shafterburg, Mich.
Cook, Clarence D., Brooklyn, Mich.

Cook, Royal J., Ada, Mich.
Cope, Harvey, Yale, Mich.
Cornish, Leo F. M., Lawton, Mich.
Covert, Harry E., Leslie, Mich.
Cummings, Allen G., Battle Creek, Mich.
Daugherty, Charles R., Moline, Mich.
Davenport, Guy V., Clinton, Mich.
Denniston, Manville, Hersey, Mich.
Densmore, J. Earl, Ashley, Mich.
Dickie, Bruce S., Pontiac, Mich.
Dobbyn, David, Capac, Mich.
Drake, Howard N., Crystal, Mich.
Dudley, C. Henry, Brown City, Mich.
Dudley, Rolland A., Brown City, Mich.
Duncan, John A., Three Oaks, Mich.
Dunn, Fred, Bay City, Mich.
Durham, Clarence O., Vassar, Mich.
Eddy, Charles H., Belding, Mich.
Edmonds, Milton, Hastings, Mich.
Edwards, Edward J., Charlevoix, Mich.
Ely, Ralph W., Olivet, Mich.
Emmert, Frank E., Midland, Mich.
Ewing, G. Frank, Ross, Mich.
Ewing, J. Merle, Pentwater, Mich.
Featherly, Willie D., Leslie, Mich.
Fish, Asel J., Blanchard, Mich.
Fishbeck, Fenton, Alma, Mich.
Fitzgerald, Roger J., Shepherd, Mich.
Forgar, Roy, Six Lakes, Mich.
Foster, Richard A., Fowlerville, Mich.
Foster, Wesley, Fowlerville, Mich.
Fowler, Lee, Mayville, Mich.
Frou, Charles W., Gladwin, Mich.
Fuller, Floyd, Jeddo, Mich.
Gibbins, H. Dean, Jackson, Mich.
Gitchell, James G., Hudsonville, Mich.
Goble, Warren W., Gobleville, Mich.
Gray, Charlie, Middleville, Mich.
Gretton, Louis H., Mason, Mich.
Groff, Paul D., Metamora, Mich.
Groner, Martin J., Clifford, Mich.
Hall, Roy C., Caseville, Mich.
Hargreaves, Chris, Harbor Beach, Mich.
Harris, Ralph E., Milan, Mich.
Harris, Floyd, Clarkston, Mich.
Hathaway, Ward, Ovid, Mich.
Hayden, Robert T., Cassopolis, Mich.
Hazel, James S., Grand Ledge, Mich.
Hicks, Earl C., Alanson, Mich.
Hill, William R., Gera, Mich.
Hird, Leslie J., Decatur, Mich.
Hoffman, George W., Saginaw, Mich.
Holmes, Arthur W., Charlotte, Mich.
Houlding, Vernon, Grant, Mich.
Howd, Rex T., Ithaca, Mich.
Hudson, Ray R., South Boardman, Mich.
Isles, Benjamin H., Brown City, Mich.
Jensen, Seren P., Sandusky, Mich.
Jones, Fred, Eckford, Mich.
Johnson, Henry N., Pearle, Mich.
Johnson, Louie A., Fennville, Mich.
Johnson, Rex M., Lawrence, Mich.
Johnson, Roe, Lawrence, Mich.
Juengel, Emanuel M., Caro, Mich.
Kanouse, Leon D., Quincy, Mich.
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Kimball, Gordon F., Alpena, Mich.
King, F. Elgin, Ross, Mich.
King, Karl S., Greenville, Mich.
Knowlton, Mark J., Ithaca, Mich.
Koch, Henry J., Kalamazoo, Mich.
Kolk, Herman D., Fremont, Mich.
Kurtz, Horace H., Flint, Mich.
Kurtz, Clayton V., Flint, Mich.
Kuyper, Artie D., Fremont, Mich.
Laarman, Edward, Marion, Mich.
Lambert, Frank W., Detroit, Mich.
Latter, Fred C., Whittemore, Mich.
Lepelley, Ernest E., Holt, Mich.
Lindstrom, Arthur, Cadillac, Mich.
Linton, Leslie W., Litchfield, Mich.
Littlefield, Franklin F., Farwell, Mich.
Luckhard, Charles F., Sebewaing, Mich.
Lyon, Eugene C., Mason, Mich.
Lytle, Homer B., Lawton, Mich.
Magnuson, Clyde L., Cadillac, Mich.
Mahrl, Carroll, Eckford, Mich.
Malpass, Will H., East Jordan, Mich.
Manley, William H., Sandusky, Mich.
Martin, Irving B., Lannon, Mich.
Martindale, Theodore M., Grand Rapids, Mich.
Mason, Willis J., Montgomery, Mich.
Maxwell, Myron H., Mt. Pleasant, Mich.

Meeuwenberg, Henry, Fremont, Mich.
Merrill, Lowell, E., Mears, Mich.
Merriman, Willis, Deckerville, Mich.
Messer, Verne B., Almont, Mich.
Miller, Vance, Howell, Mich.
Morning, Otto S., Hanging Rock, Ohio.
Montague, Ralph C., Mt. Morris, Mich.
Moon, Martin, Brunswick, Mich.
Moore, Origin J., Okemos, Mich.
Newell, Earl, Burnips Corners, Mich.
Niemitalo, John E., Kaliva, Mich.
O'Brien, Edward M., Grand Rapids, Mich.
Parker, Leo, Cassopolis, Mich.
Pattison, J. Ford, Kalamazoo, Mich.
Peck, Frank J., Ada, Mich.
Pennock, Ralph C., Nashville, Mich.
Petteys, Clarence S., Byron, Mich.
Pickford, Lisle M., Adrian, Mich.
Pierce, Frank, Sand Lake, Mich.
Pihl, Arthur S., Battle Creek, Mich.
Pobanz, Otto P., Sebewaing, Mich.
Reber, Edwin J., Monroe, Mich.
Renard, Elmer G., Stryker, Ohio.
Reynolds, Raymond, Alamo, Mich.
Richardson, Llewellyn, Detroit, Mich.
Rickard, Glen W., Hart, Mich.
Rockwell, Lyle A., Homestead, Mich.
Russell, John D., Kalamazoo, Mich.
Sanderson, Earl R., Bronson, Mich.
Schaberg, Arthur R., Gera, Mich.
Schoemheit, Albert C., Saginaw, W. S., Mich.
Schoo, Tony, Prosper, Mich.
Schrader, Glen L., Centerville, Mich.
Seeley, Charles F., Evart, Mich.
Shapton, Earl J., Charlevoix, Mich.
Shepherd, William, Brown City, Mich.
Smith, Major B., Byron, Mich.
Smither, Henry E., Grand Rapids, Mich.
Stock, Welby A., Metamora, Mich.
Swanson, J. Victor, Manistee, Mich.
Sweet, Frank R., Deckerville, Mich.
Sweet, Glen, Carsonville, Mich.
Swisher, Merl J., Dowagiac, Mich.
Tasker, Lloyd J., Bellevue, Mich.
Thorne, Percival S., Fenwick, Mich.
Townen, Towo A., Kaleva, Mich.
Uphaur, Benjamin B., Manchester, Mich.
Vander Heide, John, Marion, Mich.
Volz, Jacob J., Montrose, Mich.
Wahl, Willis M., Centerville, Mich.
Waldon, Arthur W., Dowagiac, Mich.
Walker, Lee C., Hunters Creek, Mich.
Walker, J. Clarence, Hunters Creek, Mich.
Warner, Clare G., Ypsilanti, Mich.
Warner, Lloyd, Deford, Mich.
Weerd, Harry, Byron Center, Mich.
Welborn, Sterling, Kalamazoo, Mich.
Wenig, Ralph, Prattville, Mich.
Wilson, Roland J., Caro, Mich.
Winn, Horace W., Inlay City, Mich.
Wise, Frank, Rives Junction, Mich.
Young, H. K., Rives Junction, Mich.
Young, Lynn E., Rives Junction, Mich.

(Remainder of list will be published next week.)

SUNDAY AFTERNOON CONCERTS.

To the majority of college men, Sunday afternoon is by far the longest half day of the whole week, yet the one in which least is accomplished. A bunch of men may congregate in some fellow's room and swap stories, or a few more may have a game of cards, or try a hand at domestic science, with the aid of some other man's chafing dish, etc., but nearly every man comes to the close of the day with the feeling that the time has been wasted, to a certain extent.

Realizing this condition, and believing that the student body will appreciate any effort made to improve this situation, the band is planning a series of Sunday afternoon concerts, to be given in the armory during the winter months. These concerts will be free to all. The programs will be varied in nature, and the best talent obtainable will be

presented. Arrangements are being made to provide seats for all who come, and it is hoped the armory may be filled to overflowing at every one of these concerts, demonstrating again and again our need for a more commodious auditorium.

The date of the first concert will be posted on the bulletin boards as soon as definite arrangements can be made.

Bring your friends with you.

M. A. C. 70-MT. PLEASANT 10.

M. A. C. had a walk-a-way in the basket ball game Saturday evening in the college armory. Every man put up a splendid game, and the team work was also of a high order. The final score indicates that M. A. C. was busy nearly all the time. Capt. Chamberlain secured ten baskets, while Gauthier was a close second with 9. Nies, playing his first varsity game, showed up well in his position at center, and also won his share of counts. Several shifts were made, as is shown by the following lineup, and prospects are certainly bright for a first-class team.

Center—Spencer, Nies.

Forwards—Vais, Spencer, Gauthier.

Guards—Chamberlain, Goss, Dodge.

The next scheduled home game will be with Armour Institute, on Jan. 27. On Friday of this week the team play Armour Institute at Chicago, and on the 13th Northwestern at Evanston.

In addition to the schedule previously published, a game has been arranged with the Internationals of Buffalo, who come to M. A. C. Jan. 17. This team was formerly composed of the Buffalo Germans, who, at the time, held the championship of the U. S.

Good class games are promised, and we hope to publish the regular class schedule next week.

Miss Himmelberger, who assisted in music last term, will not return to college this winter. She plans to go south with her mother for a few months.

Prof. Jeffery spoke before the agricultural students at St. Johns last Saturday, on farm management, and will give an address at Mason on soils next Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Loree, of Ionia, were guests of the latter's aunt, Mrs. C. A. Cornell, over Sunday. Mr. Loree is a cousin of Robert Loree, '13.

Miss Scott, while on her vacation, was quite seriously hurt by falling on the ice, and was only able to return to her duties as instructor in music on Saturday.

Prof. and Mrs. V. T. Wilson visited at the home of Prof. and Mrs. Arthur G. Hall, Ann Arbor, New Years. Prof. Hall is registrar of the science department in the university.

Instructor Musselman attended a meeting of the American Association of Agricultural Engineers at St. Paul, Minn., during the Christmas vacation. Power machinery, construction work and farm machinery each received a share of attention at the meeting, and Mr. Musselman returned with a larger view than ever of his chosen work, in which he says there is a great future.

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ABOUT THE CAMPUS

Miss Mildred Rohn, in college two years ago, has returned to continue her college work.

Mrs. Ryder returned, last week, from Marshall, Mich., where she has been caring for her father, who is seriously ill.

Miss Mary Stevens, of Marengo, Ill., returned, with her sister, Miss Grace Stevens, at the beginning of the term, and will remain at M. A. C. for a brief visit.

O. I. Gregg writes that he has placed an order for a large number of fruit and walnut trees, to be planted on the Fairview fruit and poultry ranch at Grant's Pass, Oregon. Mr. Gregg enjoys the West, and states that the weather is very mild at this time of the year.

Miss Freyhofer is again in charge of the music at M. A. C., after a three months' stay in New York City. In addition to the pleasure of hearing the best music New York affords during the fall season, Miss Freyhofer took one term of organ lessons under Wm. C. Carl, of the Guilman Organ School.

A meeting of those interested in local option was held in the church parlors Friday night, at which time Mr. J. E. Hammond, of Lansing, outlined the plan of campaign, and told of work being done. Committees will be appointed in each township and village to carry on the work. Mr. Schepers was the unanimous choice as chairman of the East Lansing division, and was given authority to appoint his assistants, four in number.

On account of the crowded conditions in the Botanical department, the attic class room is again in use.

Mrs. Eustace entertained Wednesday afternoon, in honor of her guest, Miss Canfield, of Geneva, N. Y.

Dr. and Mrs. Blaisdell entertained at their home on Faculty Row Saturday evening, in honor of Prof. and Mrs. Nadal, of Olivet.

Mrs. Babcock and daughter, Gertrude, are now at their home on Abbot Ave. Prof. Babcock is doing very nicely, but is still very weak.

Dr. Thos. W. Nadal, of Olivet, spoke at both morning and evening service in the People's Church Sunday. Rev. Steensma, the pastor-elect, will move to East Lansing about Feb. 1.

The week of extremely cold weather at M. A. C. was followed yesterday by a blinding snow storm. Storms and cold weather are general, and Lansing and vicinity are getting their share. Four below is reported.

A special Bible class has been arranged for the benefit of short course men at 9:15 Sunday morning, with Prof. Myers in charge. The work will include a study of the social and religious conditions of our rural communities. On next Sunday morning the subject will be "Young People's Societies." The class last Sunday numbered 60, and much interest was shown in this, the beginning of the work.

The freshmen agricultural students hold their oration contest in the chapel Saturday evening, Jan. 13.

The poultry department made a shipment last week of 35 birds to our former poultryman, H. L. Kempster, now of Missouri.

Prof. and Mrs. Polson spent the holidays at the latter's home in Milwaukee; Mrs. Polson remaining for a more extended visit.

The men's social room is open, both day and evening, for the benefit of short course men. On each Saturday evening at 7 o'clock there will be one or more short addresses, discussions, songs, fun, and "a snack."

Beginning yesterday, the short course men are devoting one hour—the third period in the afternoon—to such drill or physical exercise in the armory as Lieut. Cron can furnish them. It is believed that this will be of great benefit to these men, who are accustomed to a greater amount of exercise than they will have during the next six or eight weeks.

The 21st annual meeting of the Michigan Breeders' and Feeders' Association is to be held in the agricultural building, M. A. C., Jan. 17 and 18. Several sectional meetings will be carried on at the same time in various rooms of the building. An informal reception and joint meeting of all sections will be held at 5 p. m., Jan. 17, following which a luncheon will be given the visiting stockmen by the Agricultural College.

Dean and Mrs. Lyman entertained at dinner Friday evening of last week.

B. F. Churchill, the college busman, has purchased a new Cass auto truck for his Lansing-College trade, and plans to make this machine do the work of his five horses, and with greater ease and dispatch.

Mr. Linton was in Nashville, Tuesday of last week, on institute work, and in the evening spoke at a banquet given by the Jackson Poultry Association in Jackson. Today he is judging poultry at Evart.

It was found necessary to cut down the large elm at the rear of Dean Shaw's residence recently, as it was endangering both wall and roof. The tree was 80 feet in height, with an average diameter of 32 inches. It was transplanted about 1868, and was 57 years old.

L. L. Jones, who completed his college work with the close of the fall term, has accepted a position at Athens, Ga., where, on Feb. 19, he will assume charge of the poultry department in the college of that state. His work on the start will be mostly instruction work, but he will have supervision of the new plant to be constructed, and will aim to make it second to none in the country. On a recent trip to Georgia, Mr. Jones met F. H. McHatton, '07, with whom he will be associated in his work. Mr. Jones is at present helping Mr. Linton in the instruction work for short course men.

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FARM CROPS.

The Course in Farm Crops, which has been in the process of reorganization for the last few years, is rapidly approaching the stage when we shall be able to point to it as one of the best in the United States. Both to the men at the head of the department and to the students taking up this work is credit due. Under the leadership of Prof. Shoemith, who has had extensive experience and training in agronomy, great work is being accomplished. His able assistant, Mr. Hoopingarner, one of the famous naughty niners, Mr. Spragg, in plant breeding, and Mr. Potts, field agent, are facilitating the task. The exceptionally well fitted laboratories, latest apparatus and instruments, and an abundance of material make the work a source of real pleasure to the students who were wise enough to specialize in this line.

Thus it is very easily understood why the number of students selecting agronomy as their major is almost doubled this year. Fourteen seniors and almost a score and a half of juniors are taking advanced instruction in agronomy. The seniors not only get class work, but are also given the opportunity to act in the capacity of judges of corn, grain and other farm crops at various agricultural fairs.

The opportunities for agronomists are very promising; even the government recognizes this fact by paying them the highest salaries of any civil service position in the line of agriculture. For instance, the salary of a fairly good grain judge is \$1,500 to \$2,000 per year. The M. A. C. students speak very highly of their specialty, and will be very glad to give some pointers to any one interested.

Another feature worthy of notice is the fact that the greater number of foreign students taking post-graduate work in American agricultural colleges specialize in agronomy. A large enrollment of such students in future years is anticipated.

It may be worth while to some students to consider these facts in choosing their specialty.

M. C. E.

Albert Rigterink, '08, with the De Pree Chemical Co., of Holland, was a college visitor last week.

Prof. Baker reports having seen Peggy McCue, Dick Crosby, Matt Crosby, the Tracys, and C. B. Smith, on his recent trip to Washington.

Fred Busch, who, during the past term, assisted Prof. Macklin in athletics, and got our basketball well on the way, left Saturday for Detroit. Here Mr. Busch will enter the plant of the Everett Auto-Body Co., and will continue the study of the machine in all its parts until he has mastered the auto business.

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'11.

Neil Van Horne is teaching in the Northern State Normal School, at Marquette. He enjoys the profession of teaching very much, and is getting along nicely.

'11.

Announcement was made of the marriage on December 30, of Harry Lee Baker and Jessie Eola MacIntyre, at Dollarville, Mich. Mr. and Mrs. Baker will be at home after March 15, at Troy, Montana.

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