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## M. A. C.'s STANDING RAISED.

That the collegiate standing of M. A. C. has been raised in the estimation of universities in the middle west is attested to by several letters on file at the President's office. These letters came as a result of a request by President Snyder of the several universities to state just where graduates of M. A. C. stood in the matter of time necessary to secure advanced degrees. It is generally conceded that M. A. C. in the past has not pushed the matter of graduate study so that President Snyder felt that some definite information was needed so that graduates of this institution could be advised just how much their preparation would count towards advanced study. The result of these inquiries is highly satisfactory and brings much credit on the recent progress of M. A. C. It is felt that the abolishment of the prep. course has had much to do with this better standing.

The University of Michigan will admit any student for advanced degree who has been recommended for the State College Fellowship, or any graduate from the four-year course who presents a good record of undergraduate work. Letters have been received from the Universities of Illinois, Chicago, Ohio, Wisconsin, and Missouri, stating that they will accept our graduates upon the same basis as the University of Michigan. All of them stipulate that the graduate must have had the full fifteen credits needed in preparation for entrance to M. A. C. in order to come in the above category. Cornell University has held up the bars longest, but have now ruled that candidates from M. A. C. for advanced study shall first complete one term of residence, where formerly one year was required. And even this qualification is overruled in case where a candidate is very strongly recommended by the faculty of M. A. C. as having had superior preparation and high scholarship. (Incidentally it may be stated that in the case of Robert M. Snyder, who graduated from M. A. C. last year, exception was taken from the general rule and his application for the doctors degree dated from time of entrance.)

## PANAMA-PACIFIC REUNION.

The date for the M. A. C. reunion to be held in San Francisco at the Panama Pacific Exposition this year has finally been settled as August 12th. The Association of Agricultural Colleges and Experiment Stations meets August 11th to 13th, and it was felt that probably a larger number of M. A. C. people from the East would be in San Francisco at this time than at any other. The M. A. C. Associations of Northern and Southern California will put forth every effort to see that this meeting is a great success and every M. A. C. man and woman who expects to attend the Exposition this summer should plan to do so, if possible, so they can be present at the big time, August 12th.

R. T. Stevens, '05a, assistant professor of landscape gardening and floriculture at the University of California, has this to say in regard to the Exposition:

"We alumni in this part of the world are looking forward with great pleasure to next August and the reunion of all M. A. C. people who come to our fair at that time. We have a show the like of which was never before. It is really indescribable; the single item of color has at once made it different from all others, but it is not alone color that makes it different; its site, its courts, its architecture and its atmosphere, all combine to impress us with the possibilities of life. At night the whole scene is again different and in a truly wonderful manner. The buildings glow with soft reds and greens, while towers stand out as though they were living coals, incandescent—but it is futile to attempt to tell of what must be seen.

"I wish you would impress upon your readers the date of the reunion and the importance of the opportunity to see the greatest show on earth."

## PURDUE M. A. C. ASSOCIATION.

Purdue University, Lafayette, Ind., has a live bunch of M. A. C. boosters. Saturday night, April 10th, sixteen of them met at the West Lafayette Club for an informal dinner and social evening. Ten of those present were graduates or former students of M. A. C., the other six being the lucky wives or husbands, who were admitted as associate members.

Stories and memories of college life, especially those by the earlier graduates, brought out unsuspected events in the lives of several of the usually staid Purdue professors. After failing to agree on a suitable successor to President Snyder, those assembled did agree that a Purdue M. A. C. Association would be well worth while, and proceeded to elect Prof. James Troop, '78, president, and L. L. Jones, '12, secretary. Future meetings were planned.

Those attending, with their present position at Purdue University, were as follows: W. C. Latta, '78, professor of agriculture; James Troop, '78, professor of entomology; Mrs. Troop; C. G. Woodbury, '04, professor of horticulture; Mrs. Woodbury; J. G. Boyle, '08, associate in horticulture; Mrs. Boyle; Lovina Merick Caldwell, ex-'08; Prof. Caldwell; Zoe McConnell Edgerton, ex-'09; Prof. Edgerton; Etha Child McCartney, ex-'11; Prof. McCartney; P. W. Mason, '12, instructor in entomology; B. P. Pattison, '12, baseball coach; L. L. Jones, '12, extension poultryman.

F. W. Howe, who received his M. S. degree from M. A. C. in 1909, has been since 1913 dean of the College of Agriculture at Syracuse University. This is the only college of agriculture in America maintaining a four-years' university course that has no appropriation from the state or national government. It is maintained on an endowment, founded by Mrs. Russell Sage.

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## WHY NOT AN M. A. C. UNION?

M. A. C. has long had a reputation for the demo-  
cratic atmosphere which prevails in the student life.  
In fact the graduates will attest to the fact that  
this is the finest thing about the student life at their  
alma mater, and this will be lauded to the skies be-  
fore prospective candidates for admission. With the  
constantly increasing attendance, and the present  
system of living and of student activities, this so-  
styled democracy will fade farther and farther from  
realization. What is needed at M. A. C. for the pres-  
ent students, more than any other one thing, is an  
organization in which all students are eligible to  
membership, and some means of tying them all to-  
gether with a common bond.

We believe this could be accomplished by the in-  
auguration of an M. A. C. Union, housed in a build-  
ing suitable for club meetings, containing a place  
where dancing can be scheduled, a large banquet  
room for the many student organizations which must  
now go outside of the College, smaller dining rooms,  
a kitchen, a library, reading rooms, and in fact every-  
thing necessary to foster the social life of the whole  
student body. In addition to the above there should  
be in this building the alumni headquarters, with  
adequate space and furnishings for all alumni rec-  
ords, trophies, pictures, etc. There should also be  
beds for the returning alumni.

A building such as dreamed of in the above para-  
graph would cost a deal of money, but, having the  
money, who can say but that it would be the health-  
iest thing that ever happened for the continuance of  
this intangible something we call democracy. And  
further, the combination of alumni headquarters  
with student headquarters would settle forever the  
question of alumni support, as the outgoing classes  
would naturally look to this building as being the

one thing which stretched across the years and held  
them to their student friends and to M. A. C.

The financing of such a building as this scheme  
would call for is the one big obstacle in the way  
and it is here that the alumni support would have  
to be counted on. We can think of nothing else that  
could be asked for from the legislature which would  
be turned down more quickly. We present these  
dreams to you in hopes that you may dream also  
and be ready when the awakening comes to lend your  
financial as well as moral support.

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## OUR APPROPRIATIONS.

Last week Friday the Senate passed a bill fixing  
the mill tax for M. A. C. at one-fifth, instead of one-  
sixth mill, which is the bill now pending before the  
House. Naturally we are very anxious that the bill  
calling for one-fifth mill pass the House. M. A. C.  
needs badly the extra money which this will bring.  
Now is the time when your support is needed most.  
Your representative needs to know where you stand  
and in no uncertain terms. If every reader of the  
RECORD in the State of Michigan would write or tele-  
graph his representative, it would be assistance to  
M. A. C. of immeasurable value. If every one would  
get one other person to do the same the effect would  
be more than doubled. What will you do about it?  
Will you help place M. A. C. on a firm financial  
basis, where her obligations to the State of Michigan  
may be adequately met?

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## LITTLE STORIES.

L. G. Carpenter, '79, is considered in the West,  
where authorities on the subject are in an excellent  
position to know what they are talking about, one  
of the foremost irrigation authorities in this country.  
The *Denver Times* for March 22d, says: "There is  
no one better qualified than Professor Carpenter to  
speak on the irrigation situation in the West." Car-  
penter is at present a consulting engineer in Denver  
and in regard to the irrigation situation is quoted as  
saying that the present lull in construction work was  
inevitable when the history of irrigation enterprises  
in general is considered, and that this is an era of  
quiet growth which always follows a period of rapid  
construction. Getting the settler on the land is al-  
ways the slowest feature of reclamation work.

The following two years after graduation Mr. Car-  
penter spent in practical work. He received the de-  
gree of Master of Science in 1883. From '81 to '87  
he was assistant in mathematics at M. A. C., being  
made an assistant professor at that time, in which  
capacity he served for one year. Later he was pro-  
fessor of engineering and physics at the Colorado  
Agricultural College; irrigation engineer of the Colo-  
rado Experiment Station, and irrigation expert in  
the U. S. Dept. of Agriculture. He organized the  
first systematic instruction in engineering and in-  
vestigation along that line in 1888, and was special  
government agent investigating artesian wells in  
1890. He was state engineer of Colorado and has  
taken an important part in irrigation litigation in  
the West. He was called into the case of the govern-  
ment vs. Rio Grande dam as an expert, and as con-  
sulting engineer and expert representing Colorado in  
the Kansas-Colorado water controversy. At present  
he is representing Colorado in the suit instituted by  
Wyoming on account of the diversion of water to  
Colorado through the Laramie-Pourde tunnel. Mrs.  
L. G. Carpenter was Mrs. Mary Jane Cliff Merrill, '81.

## NEWS AND COMMENT.

Dr. M. M. McCool, head of the soils department, addressed the Farmers' Club last week.

The decree has gone out that co-eds may go fussing off the campus if two or more couples go together.

At the Hort. meeting last week H. H. Musselman, of the agricultural engineering department, spoke on "Cold Storage Construction."

Miss Farwell, house director at the Woman's Building, has been instrumental in securing screens for all the windows of Howard Terrace and the Woman's Building.

C. B. Mitchell, instructor in English and trainer of the debaters the past term, was married during spring vacation to Miss Helen Jones, of Madisonville, Ohio. They are keeping house at present with Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Hartsuch, East Lansing.

The Student Council which has direction of all student activities, has prepared a constitution to be uniform for all classes and aims towards a stronger class organization. This, when finally revised, will be presented to the entering class next fall and is to be optional with all classes now in College.

The agricultural section of the Michigan Academy of Sciences met at East Lansing last week. Prof. F. A. Spragg had charge of the meeting and papers were read by Muncie, of the botany department; Cooledge, of the bacteriology department; Prof. Chittenden, of the forestry department, and Prof. Anderson, of the dairy department. Prof. Anderson was elected chairman for the next year.

Ross W. Waffle, of Coldwater, who will graduate with the class of 1915, finished his undergraduate work with the close of the winter term and has accepted a position as manager of the Industrial School Farm, Lansing. This farm consists of 300 acres, all of the work on which is done by the boys in the school. A large amount of truck crops are grown merely to supply food for the 800 members of the school, 24 bushels of peas being necessary, for instance, for one meal. The boys grow a large acreage of sugar beets which are sold and the proceeds used to buy potatoes.

For the past three years the Eunomian Literary Society has offered a prize of \$25 for the best literary production by any student of M. A. C. during the year. The following year *The Holcad* thought to encourage the idea and offered prizes for second, third, fourth and fifth best productions. This year *The Holcad* has seen fit, in addition to prizes offered before, to offer special prizes for best poems submitted. The manuscripts are to be handed in by May 15th and will be judged by three persons not connected with the College, who will be selected by the English department.

O. E. Robey, '13a, who has been extension man in farm engineering for M. A. C., has been elected to the new position of "household engineer" and will be paid jointly by the state and the federal government. This appointment of a new specialist in the ranks of the federal government is very significant, coming as it does right on the heels of a federal investigation as to the most important needs of farm women. Mr. Robey's work will be mostly in connection with the county agricultural agents, and he will make personal visits to farm houses where a desire has been expressed for assistance.

The concert by the Glee and Mandolin Clubs, given in the Armory last Friday night, made a decided hit with the critical college audience. Those who have followed the work of the clubs the last few years are unanimous in pronouncing their work this year the

most finished and artistic of all. Much credit is due to the musical director, Bruce Hartsuch. C. C. Armstrong, instructor in English, who has been with the clubs all season, received very favorable comments as reader. M. R. Brundage, a senior forester, was very popular of the vocalists. This week Friday the club appears in Lansing, April 23d.

The remaining two lectures on the Liberal Arts course will be given by Hudson Maxim, this week Tuesday, and Prof. Roland G. Usher on May 11th. Mr. Maxim is an inventor of various high power explosives, and a well known writer and speaker. His lecture on "Implements of Warfare" is especially timely. Prof. Usher fills the number made vacant by the absence of Hon. E. K. Coulter, of New York, who was scheduled to appear March 23d. Prof. Usher will speak on "The Big Push or the War in Europe," and since he is professor of history in Washington University, St. Louis, Mo., his viewpoint and presentation should be very interesting and instructive.

## ALUMNI NOTES.

L. Whitney Watkins, '93, of Manchester, Mich., progressive candidate for Governor in 1912, has announced his allegiance to the republican party, believing that the former party has accomplished its purpose.

"Dad" Coffeen, '12a, county agent at Kendallville, Ind., visited College last week. It was the same old "Dad." In explaining his job, he said that he had to cover himself over so much ground that it made him thin.

C. Dwight Curtiss, '11e, recently finished his work at Columbia University, for an advanced degree in highway engineering. The degree, which will be granted in June, is that of A. M., since the degree of C. E. is given for the four years' undergraduate work. Curtiss spent part of last week at the College looking up old friends.

Dana A. Hagadorn, who entered M. A. C. in 1907, with the class of 1911, and who, after spending one year at M. A. C., took up the study of medicine at the University, died at his home in Lansing, April 15th. Death was due to a nervous breakdown which occurred at the University and which was said to have been induced by overstudy. He had completed his literary course and third year of his medical studies when the collapse came. This was in May, 1913, and he has been ill ever since.

W. A. Fox, '91, head of the department of education of Tri-State College, Angola, Ind., supplies the startling information of the death of W. S. Palmer, '89, which occurred April 14th. Mr. Palmer was head of the U. S. Weather Bureau at Fort Wayne, Ind., which position he had held since its establishment four years ago. His death came very sudden, and was due to diphtheria. The Saturday before his death he was about his usual duties, but on Sunday he became ill and a rapid decline of health followed, heart trouble having hastened the end.

Palmer's first work after graduation was a teacher in the Spokane High School, where he remained until 1895. He then accepted a position with the U. S. Weather Bureau and was assigned to the Chicago station as assistant observer. After three years he was transferred to Cheyenne, Wyo., as section director in the state weather work. Here he remained until 1911, when he was called to establish the station at Fort Wayne. Mr. Palmer will be remembered by his classmates as being uniformly cheery and a very lovable fellow. Besides his stricken wife, there survives him two children by a former marriage and two stepchildren, also H. F. Palmer, '93, of Philadelphia, Pa., and L. G. Palmer, '85, of Napoleon, Mich., brothers.

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### ALBION SMOTHERED IN OPENER.

In the opening of the baseball season last Wednesday, M. A. C. trimmed Albion to the tune of 19 to 5. The game was exceedingly slow and interesting only by spells. It seemed necessary at times to call the game for lack of pep. The Albion boys were the worst offenders in the matter of errors and while the high score is in part due to the poor pitching of Campbell, his support went to pieces several times. Blake Miller pitched for M. A. C. the first five innings and he allowed six hits and four passes. He was altogether too strong for the visitors and Coach Macklin ran in "Swede" Peterson for two innings and then finished with a new man, Springer, who looked mighty good with his large selection of curves and some fast ones.

M. A. C. started scoring in the second period, six men making the entire circuit, two of which got on by passes and one hit. Crosthwait, who played left center for Albion, has the honor of the first home run on the field this season. This came in the second, but since nothing like the stunt was repeated, it must have been a mistake. The game dragged on for two hours and a half and was witnessed only by a small handful at the last.

M. A. C.	0	6	0	4	1	0	2	6	*—19
Albion	0	0	0	2	2	1	0	0	0—5

### OLIVET BOWS TO M. A. C.

Weeder, who was in the box against Olivet last Saturday, is in a great measure responsible for the low score of Olivet and the excellent stick work of M. A. C. brought the total runs up to nine, against three for Olivet. The Aggies registered 14 hits, while the Olivet boys got only three. Thomas got three hits at five times at bat, one of them being a homer in the sixth, in which inning Williams and Frimodig also went clear around, but the latter failed to see second base on his journey, so was put out. Errors were made by Fick at short, and Williams at second. The score:

M. A. C.	A. B. H. O. A.	OLIVET.	A. B. H. O. A.
Fick, s.....	4 1 6 2	Hicks, s.....	3 0 0 1
Thomas, cf.....	5 3 2 0	Nelthorpe, 3b....	2 1 6 2
Williams, 2b....	3 1 1 1	Reilly, 1b.....	3 0 9 0
Fuller, 3b.....	5 1 5 1	Hamilton, rf-p....	3 0 0 2
Frimodig, 1b....	4 2 8 0	Meyers, cf-p.....	4 2 3 3
Brown, lf.....	4 2 1 0	Miller, c.....	3 0 3 1
Bibbins, c.....	4 1 4 5	Butler, 2b.....	3 0 0 3
Hood, rf.....	1 0 0 0	Leavenworth, lf..	3 0 3 0
Weeder, p.....	4 2 0 4	Loomis, p.....	0 0 0 0
McWilliams, rf..	1 1 0 0	McLaughlin, rf..	3 0 0 0

Runs—Thomas; Williams, 3; Frimodig; Bibbins, 2; Weeder, 2—9. Hits—Leavenworth, McLaughlin—3. Two-base hits—Frimodig, Fick, McWilliams—3. Hits—off Weeder, 3 in 9 innings; off Hamilton, 9 in 4; off Loomis, 5 in 2; off Meyers, 0 in 2.

Dr. Joseph Bascom Griswold, a student at M. A. C. in '59-'60 and '62-'63, died March 10th at his home in Grand Rapids. Dr. Griswold served as regimental surgeon in the U. S. Army, being discharged with the rank of major in '66. He graduated from Rush Medical College, Chicago, in '68, and for six years immediately following practiced medicine in Taylor's Falls, Minn. Since then, until his death, he practiced medicine in Grand Rapids, and during that time has been connected with offices of trust and importance in city and state affairs, so that he has, besides the many friends of his clientele, a host of admirers who will deeply mourn his death. (From the *Grand Rapids Press* of March 10th, sent by Dwight S. Cole, '93.)

## RIFLE TEAM ESTABLISHES ANOTHER WORLD'S RECORD.

The score of 994 out of a possible 1,000 established by the M. A. C. rifle team a year ago was shattered in the last meet of this year, held March 25th, with the M. A. C. of Massachusetts. The score was 995 and this sets a new record for intercollegiate indoor rifle matches.

When the totals for the season's shooting are finally tabulated it is found that in the number of games won, M. A. C. ties for the first place with Washington Agricultural College, both having lost but one of the 11 games of the series. Incidentally it was the game with M. A. C. that Washington dropped. But since the winning team is that one which pulls through with highest percentage of possible scores the laurels for this year will have to go to Washington State, with a percentage of 98.64, and M. A. C. will take second place with 97.71. Massachusetts Aggies ran a close third with 97.53.

In Class B, the North Georgia Agricultural College won first place, while in Class C, Yale University took high honors. In fact, Yale had the only team in the three classes that won every shoot. As a result of these matches there is a little shake-up in the personnel of the classes for next year. Purdue, Illinois and Minnesota drop out of Class A, and their places will be filled by North Georgia, Vermont and the University of Pennsylvania. University of Michigan wins fourth place in Class C.

The individual honors of the series go to John Geue, of Washington State, who has an average of 198.2 out of a possible 200. M. R. Freeman, of M. A. C., wins third place with a count of 197.2. Seven of the 25 highest scores are M. A. C. men, while Washington claims but five in this string.

Ten men shoot in each match in each college, the scores of five highest only being counted. On the M. A. C. team, Freeman, of Flushing, qualified in the first five in every match; Kean, of Stanley, N. Y., in ten of the matches; Pennington, of Pewamo, 7; Berry, of Aberdeen, Scotland, 7; R. F. Giffels, Laingsburg, 6; S. W. Harmon, Geneva, N. Y., 5; E. H. Pate, Lansing, 3; B. Giffels, Laingsburg, 3; Berridge, Hudson, 2; Patch, Moscow, 1. Each of the contestants shot ten shots prone and ten shots standing, at a target 50 feet away. The M. A. C. team always shot better in the prone position. As Sergeant Cross said: "The men would fall down standing up." Only two of the men on the team graduate this year, so that M. A. C. can well expect a good record in the matches next year.

This week Wednesday will probably see the start of the Aggie track squad for Philadelphia to compete in the Penn. games the 23d. The relay men have been rounding into form rapidly and Bill Blue has been doing great stunts with the weights. Harvey, Alderman, Beatty, and Blue are sure to be picked for the trip and probably Bishop and Shelden.

Orders for legume culture pour into the bacteriology laboratory at the rate of about 100 per day. Evidently the farmers of the state are getting next to something pretty good that comes at a low price.

R. J. West, '05a, the *Better Paint* man from Springport, called at the alumni office last week.

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F. J. Free, '88a, lives at 200 Baker St., Lansing.

Elmer Geyer, '13f, is working with the Herzog Art Furniture Co., of Saginaw.

Gladys Graham, '13h, teacher at Ithaca, Mich., was a college visitor last week.

Word has been received of the marriage of Katherine Slaght, '04, to Edward Evatt, on April 11th.

D. L. Hagerman, '13a, instructor in agriculture at St. Johns, Mich., visited at the college last Wednesday.

Mrs. John Soltman (Ruby Clemons, with '13), spent part of last week at M. A. C. She now lives at Pontiac, where Mr. Soltman has a ministerial charge.

M. T. Foote, a member of the class of '74, is living at 511 W. Lenawee St., Lansing, and expresses himself as being very desirous of keeping in touch with the doings of the college.

Louis N. Bregger, '88, proprietor of the Outlook Farm, Bangor, Mich., sends his renewal of subscription for two years. This is a mighty good hint for others, as this procedure would help our present financial condition very materially.

E. P. Robinson, '07, Saginaw county agent, and the new secretary of the N. E. Michigan M. A. C. Association, is bending every effort to make the next banquet, which will be held in the near future, the biggest success in the history of the association.

J. R. Dice, '08a, head of the department of animal and dairy husbandry at the New York State School of Agriculture, Morrisville, N. Y., states a big fact when he says in regard to an advertisement which ran in the Record last fall: "It is to be regretted that the alumni allows the Record to become so poor that it has to publish fake ads. to pay its way."

P. J. Baker, Jr., '08e, hits the nail on the head when he says, after a suggestion that there are many ways we might feature the paper so that it would be more interesting to the engineers: "However, I suppose that the trouble is that most of the boys are slow with the cash as I am and so you have no money with which to feature." But we'll be mighty glad to have the suggestions and will do what your promptness and generosity will allow.

H. Foley Tuttle, a graduate from M. A. C. in 1905, received his M. S. in 1913, and since then has been assistant in soil physics in the Ohio Agricultural Experiment Station at Wooster, Ohio. A copy of the *Wooster Voice* for April 1st makes known to us that Tuttle has other duties on the side. One of these has been the coaching of the basketball team. The *Voice* says: "He made good basketball players out of several who had been before but mediocre. No one swears by Coach Tuttle so absolutely as the men who worked under him. He is a fine coach but a finer gentleman." (This seems to us to be about the finest tribute a coach could have paid to him.)

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