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## PROGRAM OF COMMENCEMENT WEEK AND SECOND ANNUAL REUNION OF THE M. A. C. ASSOCIATION.

### THURSDAY, JUNE 17TH.

8:00 p. m.—Cap Night..... Drill Grounds.

### FRIDAY, JUNE 18TH.

4:30 p. m.—Band Concert ..... Forest of Arden.

8:00 p. m.—Society Reunions.

### SATURDAY, JUNE 19TH.

7:00 p. m.—Band Concert ..... Campus.

### SUNDAY, JUNE 20TH.

3:00 p. m.—Baccalaureate Sermon ..... Tent.

7:30 p. m.—Sacred Band Concert..... Campus.

### MONDAY, JUNE 21ST.

3:00 p. m.—Band Concert ..... Campus.

4:00 p. m.—First General Session of M. A. C. Association.....

Chemistry Bldg.

5:30 p. m.—Surprise Luncheon for Alumni ..... Club D.

8:30 p. m.—Reception by President and Faculty to Seniors,  
Alumni and Friends ..... Armory.

### TUESDAY, JUNE 22D.

10:00 a. m.—Commencement Exercises..... Tent.

12:00 m.—Alumni Luncheon ..... Armory.

3:00 p. m.—Second General Session of the M. A. C. Association

Chemistry Bldg.

4:30 p. m.—Band Concert ..... Campus.

6:30 p. m.—Class Luncheons ..... Club D.

8:30 p. m.—Alumni Ball.

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## CLASS OF '83.

"It is now 32 years since we of the class of '83 left our Alma Mater. Some of us have children who are also alumni of M. A. C. Come, let us get together and, with our families, have the grandest reunion the class of '83 has ever enjoyed since it separated on the old campus thirty-two years ago this August.

"Sincerely yours,

"F. F. ROGERS."

That the above letter has had the effect of fanning smouldering flames is attested to by the following letters:

"Dear Rogers:—I am so completely surprised to get your letter that I am at a loss to know what to say. I have not been very communicative with my Alma Mater since I left it and have become isolated. Your letter has awakened me and if it is possible for me to arrange affairs here at home you may see me.

"MILTON ST. JOHN,

"Lyndonville, N. Y."

"My Dear Rogers:—Yours received. I am going to attend the '83 reunion. Get all the boys back you can.

"Yours,

"WILLIAM BAHLKE,

"Alma, Mich."

"My Dear Rogers:—\* \* \* I need not tell you what a pleasant thing it would be if I could be on deck once more with the old boys. The fact is I do not get there often enough. People may say what they will about picking up new friends and acquaintances but my experience has been that the old friendships made at college have been more enduring than anything else I have struck in a pretty busy life. There was something about college life as we had it which nailed us together, and I guess the nails are clinched so that time cannot pull them out. \* \* \*

"Very truly yours,

"W. H. COLLINGWOOD,

"New York City."

## PRESIDENT SNYDER HONORED BY SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY.

President Snyder received the degree of doctor of agriculture at the Commencement exercises held at Syracuse University last week. Besides being a signal honor to President Snyder, this action also brings honor to M. A. C.

Syracuse University is a rapidly growing institution, numbering at present about 4,000 students. There were 533 in the graduating class this year.

Mark A. Chambers, '14e, is working with the Battle Creek city engineer. Chambers lives at 148 N. Union St.

## AS SEEN FROM THE FIELD.

Editor RECORD:

J. Arnold White evidently struck a popular chord when he started the discussion of ways for making public speaking more popular with the student body. The college man should of course learn to think on his feet, but why not emphasize this idea in all the class rooms? The power to explain clearly may be developed by practice in any recitation room. While it seems to be increasingly popular during the quiz period in some schools for the instructor to do most of the talking himself, the students remaining seated, I hope M. A. C. will continue to insist that the students take a very active part in such exercises. Of necessity, practice in argumentation will be afforded by debating clubs more or less designedly organized for that purpose. The ordinary class room is not properly insulated.

Would it not be well to also consider the power-making possibilities of every-day conversation? Citizens make few speeches but converse often. Surely there is need for wholesome conversation in street and market place. The saloon is moving out, but some of its vocabulary seems reluctant to go too. Here is a chance for college trained men to help the general public, for bad language is a sign of indolent mental processes, it is the resort of the verbally inapt. The public will welcome clean ideas clothed in clean speech. Any man who has something to say in a pleasant and piquant way will have listeners even though his remarks convey little information.

Professor Canby in the April 14 Harper's says: "Speech and writing, if you get them in fair samples, indicate the extent and the value of a college education better than a degree." He makes this illuminating remark also: "Words are often the most convenient indices of education, cultivation and intellectual power." But he neglected to tell us how to render slang unpopular in our schools. Might it be ruled out as unsportsmanlike?

As birds in flitting about their feeding grounds and nests on the homely errands of every day develop powers of flight to carry them successfully on great migrations so the students by giving heed to lesson, theme, conversation and debate may develop those powers of concentration, analysis, exposition and illustration demanded of successful public speakers.

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## INVITATION TO THE ALUMNI.

On Monday evening, June 21, will be held the reception by the President and Faculty in honor of the senior class to which all alumni and their guests are hereby cordially invited.

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TUESDAY, JUNE 15, 1915.

PACIFIC COAST REUNION, SAN FRANCISCO,  
AUGUST 12TH.

*The next Record will be somewhat delayed  
because we will not go to press until Com-  
mencement and Reunion Festivities are over.*

## SENIORS ESTABLISH PRECEDENTS.

The class of 1915 will go down in the history of M. A. C. as one of the classes that *started* things, and, if present indications are of any value, this class will also be known as one that *does* things. One of the most important innovations which they have made a part of their program is the arrangements which they have made for continuing their class organization after graduation, and thereby preparing a means by which at least one unit of the alumni of M. A. C. will be in a position to take a strong part in the M. A. C. Association. The exact steps they have taken is to appoint three permanent class secretaries, one for the women, one for the ags. and vets. and one for the engineers. These people will be the executive officers of the class after graduation and it will be their duty to keep a record of doings of the class, and co-operate with the alumni secretary in all matters of mutual interest. This may perhaps seem to the old grads like a small matter, but in the opinion of the alumni secretary who has studied conditions at other institutions, the establishing of the permanent class secretary idea augurs more for the future of the M. A. C. Association than any step since its inception.

The senior class have started another idea which will be sprung at Reunion time and which we believe have a better influence for good at M. A. C. than the co-operative efforts of any previous graduating class.

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## PEOPLE OF LANSING AND NEARBY TOWNS.

In another column will be found a list of those who have signified their intention of being present

for the Reunion June 21st and 22d. This list is almost exclusively devoted to those classes which return according to the Dix plan. We know that a great many others will be here. People are coming from San Francisco, from Cuba, from Texas, from Washington, D. C., from Nebraska and Minnesota, in fact from all points of the U. S. There will surely be some friends among these whom you will wish to see.

It has been said that the M. A. C. people from a distance show more loyalty than those nearby, that they visit the College more often. This is a sweeping statement but we believe there is much more truth in it than there should be. If these are people who can afford to spend almost a week just in travel to return to their Alma Mater, surely you who live within a stone's throw can afford to pull up stakes and camp at M. A. C. on June 21st and 22d. There will be something doing Monday afternoon and evening and all day Tuesday. Come out and help make this Reunion a success.

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## ARGUMENTS ADVANCED ABOUT REUNIONS.

The following comes from the University of Illinois Alumni Quarterly (Revised) and should hold interest for all M. A. C. people:

1. *I can't leave my business.*

It would hardly be advisable to go out of business just for coming back to the reunions. Still the Chicago Grand Opera Company was not involved in reunions. But the risk is considerable. King John died "of a surfeit of peaches and new ale."

2. *I am an alumnus but my wife isn't. I don't feel as if I should come and leave her at home.*

Nobody is asking her to stay at home. Doesn't she go with you when you visit your father and mother?

3. *I wouldn't mind coming if I had a decent place to stay. I detest hotels.*

There'll be little time for sleep.

4. *When I was in college I had a spat with one of the profs. If you will promise to send him away Commencement week I'll be glad to come back.*

You should rise. There are forty miles of air above you.

5. *I notice you are always talking about reunions. I believe you get a rake-off somewhere.*

Probably the Beautiful Isle of Somewhere.

6. (a) *Would you meet me at the train?* (b) *What kind of clothes should be worn?* (c) *How long does the whole affair last?*

a, b, and c—Yes.

7. *I'm not strong on these society affairs. Count me out.*

As Holmes said, you need some more stately mansions built. You will not be asked the difference between a pickle fork and tack puller, and it will make no difference how few of your ancestors signed the Declaration of Independence.

\* \* \*

The Stephenson Training and Agricultural School at Marinette, Wis., has just issued an excellent bulletin on "Co-operative Cattle Buying," the handiwork of D. S. Bullock, '02a.

WHO'S COMING BACK?

'61.  
George G. Torrey, James H. Gunnison.

'81.  
A. H. Voight, Jason Woodman, A. E. Smith.

'82.  
E. N. Ball, T. F. Millspaugh, L. H. Bailey, Joseph E. Coulter, Alice Weed Coulter, A. J. Chappell, W. T. Langley, J. W. Beaumont, W. E. Hale, F. E. Delano.

'83.  
O. C. Howe, F. F. Rogers, J. H. Smith, A. M. Emery, William A. Bahlke, Milton St. John.

'99.  
Mrs. E. W. Ranney, S. F. Edwards, Fay Wheeler Eastman, William Roscoe Kedzie, C. F. Austin.

'00.  
Alice M. Cimmer, John R. Thompson, H. B. Gunnison, E. W. Ranney, George B. Wells, H. B. Clark, C. H. Parker, C. H. Spring (?), Paul Thayer (?), C. H. Hilton (?).

'01.  
S. A. Gildersleeve, C. A. McCue, W. W. Wells, G. W. Gutekunst, C. P. Reed, J. H. Skinner.

'02.  
Paul Bowen, T. Glenn Phillips, Frances Sly, Mrs. Edwin Glerum.

'13.  
A. E. Warner, Hazel Powell, Louise I. Clemens, D. L. Hagerman, A. D. Wolf, F. E. Andrews, William L. Davidson, L. A. Wileden, E. C. Kiefer, Joseph A. McDonald, Mrs. R. W. Powell, L. C. Carey, C. H. Hall, J. M. Wendt, Richard Colgan, T. J. Dean, Nate Simpson.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Edna T. Smith, '03; C. B. Smith, '94; Bert Keith, '11; R. W. Powell, '11; A. McVittie, '11; William Alton Taylor, '88; F. H. Hall, '88; C. S. Crandall, '73; A. G. Gullay, '68; M. T. Rainier, '74.

N. B. Hubbard, '09e, is with Eagon Bros., 237 Erie St., Toledo, Ohio.

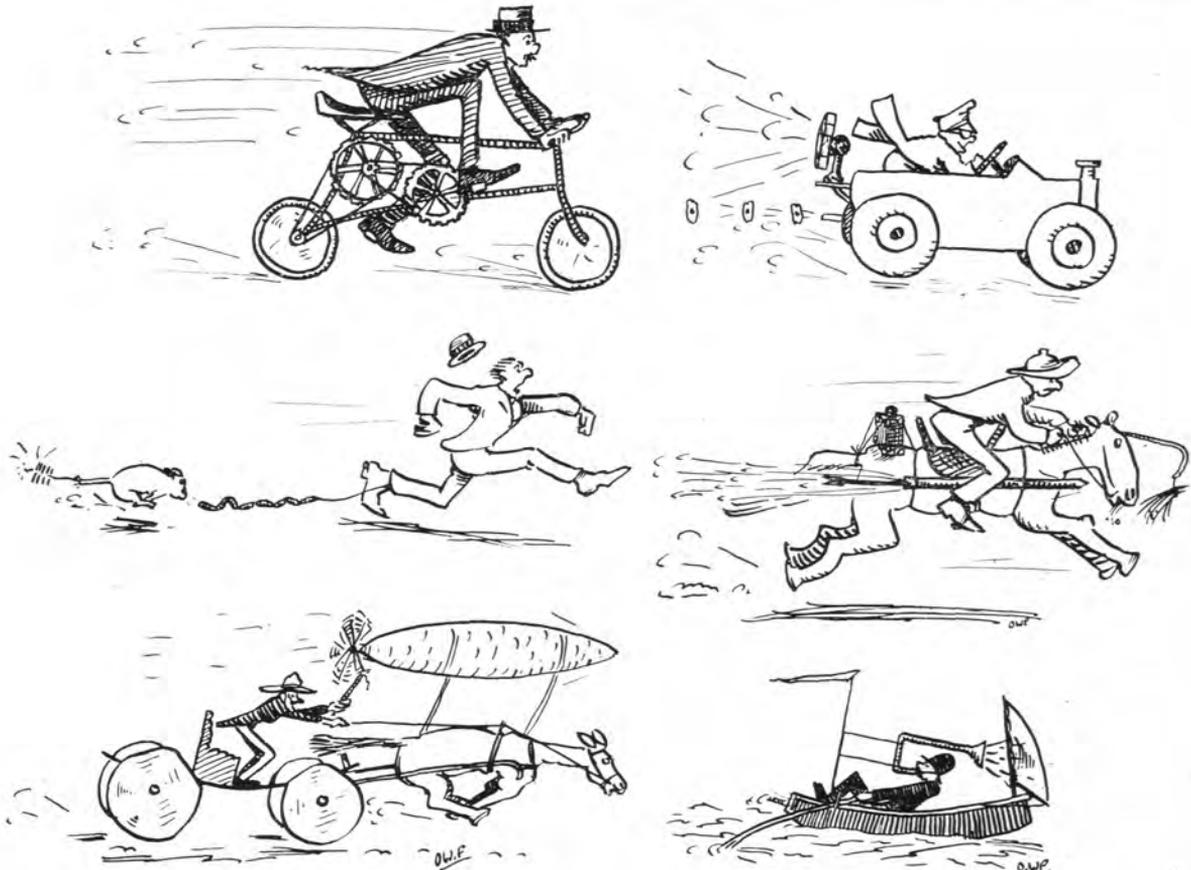
Herman Rook, '14e, is superintendent of construction for M. E. Fitzpatrick, Lansing, Mich.

E. A. Yoke, ex-'14, is one of the managers of the Toledo Engineering Agency, Ohio Building, Toledo.

Sherwood Hinds, '05m, is with S. F. Bowser & Co., makers of gasoline pumps and storage tanks, Chicago, Ill.

"Pa" Taylor, '14a, is now in the extension department of the Heinz Pickle Co. He is located at Mayville, Mich.

Eulalia Belle Alger, '13w, who has been teaching in Flint the past year, has accepted a position in Tacoma, Wash., for next year.



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**NEWS AND COMMENT**

The senior Eunomians, together with Mr. and Mrs. Corey and Mr. and Mrs. Langdon, were entertained at a dinner party at the home of Prof. and Mrs. V. T. Wilson last Tuesday night.

The regular college catalog made its appearance last week. The quality of paper used is better than that in previous catalogs and we believe this improvement in quality will be amply worth the cost.

The Farmers' Club elected the following officers for next year: President, G. R. Bogan; vice president, H. B. Kittle; secretary A. J. Godfrey; treasurer, G. B. Frost; corresponding secretary, G. T. Henning.

Pres. Hewitt Miller, of the junior class, promises that "Cap Night," the last celebration of the season will surely be up to the usual form. This will occur this week Thursday evening with "Chief" Fallar as master of ceremonies.

The annual spring term Sororian party was held in the Armory last Saturday night. All the senior girls and the instructors in home economics and domestic science were the guests of the evening. Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Crow and Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Johnson were the patrons.

The Themians held their annual spring term party in the Armory last Friday night. Decorations were very simple, ferns and society colors being used. The party was given in honor of the senior girls, all of whom were invited, and the teachers at the Woman's Building. Mr. and Mrs. Conger and Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy were the patrons of the evening. Janet Renwick, '14, and Mrs. Rebecca Faringer Prouty, ex-'13, were back for the party.

The senior foresters will occupy the following positions next year: Alden, B. B. Clise Lumber Co., Gilchrist, Mich.; Brundage, Oregon National Forest Reserve, with headquarters at Portland, Ore.; De Pagter, Gurney Seed and Nursery Co., Yankton, S. Dak.; Dunford, Morley Cypress Co., Morley, La.; Ewing, Whiteville Lumber Co., Goldsboro, N. C.; Fisher, teaching; Goetzen, tree surgery work this summer and with lumber company in the fall; Henry, travel in West during summer and associated with lumber company in fall; Mandenburg, foreman on Mackinac Island forestry work; Meschke, American Creosoting Co., Boundbrook, N. J. Prof. Chittenden said that he could have placed a number more seniors with lumber companies this fall as 15 had written in that they would like to take men on at that time.

The annual Hort. Club banquet was staged in the dining room of the Woman's Building last Thursday evening with covers laid for eighty-five. The banquet was served by the Omicron Nu girls, the proceeds to be used for the girl's student aid fund. Fruit, served in all conceivable forms, was the only food on the program. The theme of the toast program, which was in charge of President K. P. Bemis, was "Our College a Garden." D. A. Stroh spoke on "Planting," E. A. Boettcher, "Cultivation," M. E. Bottomley, "Weed and Other Pests," H. P. Henry, "Harvesting," and Prof. Thomas Gunson, "Results." Prof. Steubenrauch, of the University of California, was the principal guest of the evening and he was called upon to speak of horticultural conditions in California. Prof. Eustace gave a farewell speech to the seniors.

The Forester's Fourth Annual Camp Fire occurred last Wednesday night on the bank of the Red Cedar at the east end of the Pinetum. About seventy-five foresters were on hand to fill up on the hamburgers and coffee which were served throughout the evening.

A program had been prepared and speeches were made by A. K. Chittenden, "Herb" Hall, '15, and "Fat" Ewing, '15. Prof. Chittenden called attention to the fact that lumbermen and foresters were now co-operating, where, formerly it was thought that the forester could only work where lumbermen had been before. He also said that there were fewer idle men in forestry than in any other profession and that the demand was growing. As evidence of this letter it might be said that every senior and junior has accepted, or is considering, a position at the present time. Following the set program all the seniors were called on for impromptu talks, also Instructor Gilson and Prof. Sanford, the latter of whom called attention to the fact that the study of forestry has much value outside of the technical field. To prove his point he read unsolicited letters from two former foresters, not now in forestry work, who expressed the opinion that they could not have taken a course that would have been more broadening or fitted them better for their present work.

The Howard City Farm Boosters swept down on M. A. C. last Wednesday thirty-five autos and one hundred and fifty men strong. The party consisted of prominent farmers, bankers and business men interested in agriculture. They spent Wednesday looking over the campus and buildings and Thursday on the College farm. One of the men was a short course graduate and he celebrated his return to the College by buying three thoroughbred heifers. On Wednesday evening the top floor of the Agricultural Building was the scene of a very successful get-together. Talks were enjoyed by Dean Shaw, Dean Bissell, Secretary Brown, Dean Lyman, and George Brown. Many favorable comments on M. A. C. were heard and only one thing marred the pleasure of the visit. This was in the form of another of the so-called pranks which have been perpetrated in this vicinity recently. One of the autos belonging in the party was taken by some joy riders. As soon as the theft was found out the Lansing police were put on the trail. The car finally turned up down by the White Elephant with nothing damaged. The owner then drove it into town but was accosted by the police who had the number of the supposedly missing car and the man was compelled to go to the police court to prove his ownership. Such an incident as this might easily undo all the good advertising that would result from such a pilgrimage.

### THE 1915 WOLVERINE

Made its first appearance at the band concert last Wednesday evening, when 500 copies were disposed of in a short time. Fine pictures of the students, excellent pen sketches and representative views and write-ups of all the college activities make this annual one to be highly prized.

This Wolverine is appropriately dedicated to President Snyder. There are five sections divided by colored inserts, there are five inserts bearing designs and inscriptions of great merit.

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ALUMNI NOTES

Miss Hearty E. Brown, with '09, is teaching in the department of English of the University of Kansas, at Lawrence.

M. L. Holland, '13a, now with M. Rice & Co., Philadelphia, is interested in starting an M. A. C. Association in Philadelphia.

J. A. McClintock, '13a, takes up his duties this month as plant pathologist for the Virginia Truck Experiment Station at Norfolk, Va.

Truman G. Yuncker, '14a, has returned from the University of Nebraska, where he received the degree of M. S. for his past year's work in botany.

Hazel Fern Cook, '15, and F. Royal Kenny, '14a, will be married on Commencement day. Kenny is manager and proprietor of the Hazelfern Farm, Hazardville, Conn.

Winford C. Trout, '09a, formerly connected with the Grand Rapids Park Commission, is now superintendent of the Ella Shank Park, Jackson. This is a new park and Trout has the job of building it up.

Almira Brimmer, '14b, spent a few days at the College last week. She has been teaching domestic science and art in the high school at Keosauqua, Iowa, this last year and expects to continue at the same place next year.

D. W. Francisco, '14a, is assistant advertising manager of the California Fruit Growers' Exchange, with headquarters at Chicago. He left for a month's trip to California last week, where he will look over the citrus industry.

Glenn Barcroft, '10e, who was reported in a recent issue to be on his way to the coast, got no further than Grand Rapids, where he took a position with Horner & Kelley, construction engineers. They put him at once on a rush school house job at Lowell, Mich.

The class of '88 has three graduates who have sons in school. Two of these sons graduate this June. The three men are L. A. Bregger, of Bangor; E. H. Hall, of Geneva, N. Y., and William Alton Taylor, of Washington, D. C. Both Hall and Taylor will be on hand for the Commencement of their sons on June 21 and 22.

J. M. Knapp, one of the few surviving members of the class of '61, now living at South Bellingham, Wash., has recently been made an honorary member of the faculty of the State Normal School at Bellingham, Wash. This comes as a recognition of the excellent service he has rendered in the biological work pursued by the school. Mr. Knapp has been studying the flora and fauna of the Northwest for the past six years.

NEWS AND COMMENT

Prof. E. A. Bessey spent last Friday and Saturday with W. W. Gilbert, specialist on pickle diseases for the U. S. Dept., at Big Rapids and Grand Rapids. Immediately following the close of college Dr. Bessey expects to spend three weeks at Lincoln, Neb., in going over his father's business.

Seven seniors in landscape gardening accompanied Prof. C. P. Halligan on an inspection trip last week. The first stop was at Pontiac where R. J. Coryell, '84, and R. I. Coryell, '14, met the boys with automobiles and took them for a ride to Birmingham through the beautiful Bloomfield hills. At Birmingham they met O. C. Cobb, '14, who is teaching agriculture there. The next leg of the trip carried them to Detroit, where on Monday evening they attended the convention on City Planning, held at the Hotel Statler. On Tuesday they were in charge of City Forester C. E. Smith, '10a, and "Sammy Brice," '13a, who showed them, by automobile, all the large city estates and the work that has been in progress in spraying and pruning on the streets and boulevards in Detroit. Besides being a pleasant outing the trip was very profitable from the standpoint of landscape impressions received.

ALUMNI REGISTERS.

Headquarters of General Association—Forestry Building, Michigan Agricultural College. All former students visiting College should register.

Minneapolis, Minn.—Register kept in the Tailoring Parlors of Charles F. Herrmann, '97, 524 Nicollet Ave. Records will be found here of all M. A. C. men in the surrounding country.

San Francisco, Cal.—All alumni and former students visiting San Francisco are requested to register at 424 Holbrook Building, with George H. Freear, ex'10.

ALUMNI LUNCHEONS.

Every Saturday noon the M. A. C. Association of Chicago has luncheon at the New Morrison Hotel, Clark and Madison Sts. Any M. A. C. men who happen to be in Chicago at this time will find some friends here and a hearty welcome.

Luncheon meetings of the Northern California Association are held the last Saturday in every month at the Hotel Sutter, San Francisco, Cal.

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