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THE AGRICULTURAL SECTION of the Michigan Academy of Science will hold its annual meeting at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, the first week in April. Professor Frank A. Spragg, research associate in plant breeding is chairman of the program committee for the agricultural section. Anyone wishing to present certain subjects or have a part in the program for this year's meeting should get into communication with Professor Spragg by March 1st. The program is now being prepared.

MORE THAN 100 TRACTOR STUDENTS completed their course last week after a month's study in the special school. They will be followed by another large group of students who enroll for the second tractor school. Increasing importance of the position that the tractor is occupying on Michigan farms, is demonstrated not alone by the large enrollments at these special schools but by the great interest shown in tractor work by visitors at the college during Farmers' week.

THE ANNUAL MIDWINTER MEETING of the Michigan State Horticultural Society was held at Fennville February 11, 12 and 13. Prof. Eustace, Prof. Halligan and Extensionist I. T. Pickford, '13, are attending the meeting from the college.

DONALD HOOTMAN, formerly grounds superintendent for the horticultural department and now a member of the American North Russia Expeditionary Force with the 310th Engineers, has just sent a cablegram to Prof. Halligan of the horticultural department telling of his safety and health. Hootman is some distance inland from Archangel, and has been in several engagements with the Bolsheviks.

EDGAR A. GUEST of the Detroit Free Press lectured before members of the M. A. C. Woman's club and guests in the auditorium of People's church at East Lansing, Wednesday evening. Following the lecture an informal reception was held and Miss Louis Walsworth sang.

THE INFLUENZA SITUATION at M. A. C., although not considered serious has caused the postponement of the tractor school which was to have opened Monday. To date there are 35 cases, mostly among the short course students and four cases among

the women. The Athenaeum society house has been converted into a hospital and is in charge of a corps of nine nurses. With but two possible exceptions all cases are mild.

Y. W. C. A. GIRLS realized over \$100 from the "Y" canteen, which they operated in the war relics exhibit building during Farmers' Week. The money raised is to go to the Lake Geneva fund for sending representatives from M. A. C. to the annual summer Y. W. C. A. conference at Lake Geneva, Wis.

A VALENTINE PARTY and cabaret will be held in the Woman's Building Friday evening, February 14th, for the benefit of the Maud Gilchrist Students' Aid Fund. The girls of each college class have been given charge of some particular feature of the evening's entertainment. The entire building will be given over for the evening, with dancing and entertainments in the corridors on all three floors. The Maud Gilchrist fund was started in 1911 by the East Lansing Women's Club in response to a very pressing need to which their attention had been called. In 1914 an appeal made to the State Federation of Women's Clubs has brought a number of gifts to the fund during the past three years from Women's Clubs over the State. The purpose of the Valentine party is to raise money for present needs since much of the fund is in the form of permanent investments.

A STANDARD ARMY TARGET RANGE is being contemplated by the military department as a means of developing better marksmen at M. A. C. and rounding out the R. O. T. C. courses. It is suggested that the new range may be located in the vicinity of Chandler's marsh. A range of the latest type is being considered; one with up to date pits and steel target frames. A range of over 500 yards is financially impossible for the present time.

THE MILITARY DEPARTMENT has just taken over all of the equipment of the demobilized S. A. T. C. unit, including 500 Enfield rifles and some 350 woolen blouses. Each man in the R. O. T. C. will have issued to him an overcoat, campaign hat, flannel shirt, woolen breeches and blouse, leggings, field shoes, belt, and red,

white and blue hat cord. S. A. T. C. men now wearing their uniforms will probably be allowed to retain them on entering the R. O. T. C. A full marching pack is to constitute a part of each man's equipment. Details of the R. O. T. C. courses are somewhat unsettled due to readjustments now being made by the War Department.

THE FIRST ANNUAL INTERSCHOLASTIC basketball tournament to be held in the college gymnasium is scheduled for March 28 and 29. Fourteen high schools are already enrolled for the tournament but it is announced that more than 20 can be accommodated so it is likely that several more cities will be signed up by the college athletic department in the next few days. Headquarters of the visitors will be at the gymnasium. Sleeping quarters and board will be provided for all teams during the two days of the tournament. In order to lower the expenses of the high school teams entering the gate receipts will be divided among contestants in proportion to their travel mileage to and from the college. Among the schools already on the tournament roster are Flint, Jackson, Battle Creek, Grand Rapids Catholic Central, Lansing, South Haven, Hastings, Lake Odessa, Clarksville, Adrian and Midland.

Through the failure of Purdue to enter into the annual tri-state debating contests, which have been held for several years at M. A. C. between M. A. C., Iowa State and Prudue, college debaters will contest with Iowa State only this year. Arrangements have already been made for the meeting although a definite date has not been fixed. Probably it will take place late in April.

The subject for this year's debate is "Resolved that the United States Should So Far Depart from Her Traditional Policies as to Participate in the Organization of a League of Powers to Enforce Peace." Iowa State sends a negative team to M. A. C. and we send a negative team there, the contest being held in each place on the same night.

Purdue's chief argument for failing to enter the tri-state meet this year is on account of the lateness of the season and from fear that she would be unable to develop a team in the short time elapsing since the disbanding of her S. A. T. C.

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A GOOD USE FOR A PERMANENT FUND.

The publication of the poem, "April Night," by Katherine Hume, '18, in this year's collection of college verse is the means of placing M. A. C. among the first sixty American colleges and universities in the literary attainment of their students. Ninety-six institutions are represented in the volume the entries of forty colleges falling in the mentioned class of "poems of distinction."

We have been accused of the tendency of spending too much effort on vocational and technical training of our students and not enough on literature and the arts that broaden and round out an education. Of course it is true. Yet for the past several years M. A. C. has been represented by a poem or two in the yearly collection of college verse published as the Anthology. Our success in this has been due more than anything else to the Eunomian prize which is offered each year for the best poems written by M. A. C. students. These poems that have been the means of having M. A. C. represented in a volume of the best verse of American colleges and universities have been drawn out by a \$25 prize.

The prestige gained for the college by means of the Eunomian prize is worth many times its cost. The prize has always been unailing yet it may not be called permanent. Here again is a place where a small permanent fund, the earnings of which would be used to stimulate literary endeavor and divert us from strict vocationalism, could be used to excellent purpose.

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FARMERS' WEEK.

It is estimated that 3,500 farmers and housewives attended the meetings at the college last week. The meetings, exhibits, and special programs probably drew close to 5,000 outsiders to the campus during the week. These figures are but bare approxima-

tions but they serve to indicate some things of the success of this last farmers' week. Certainly it was the largest and most successful roundup meeting that the college has ever held.

The attendance figures, however, show something besides just plain numbers. They indicate that the college is winning the interest and support of Michigan agriculturalists, and that it is giving them what they want and giving service. Furthermore with such numbers attending college meetings there are indications that M. A. C. is attaining rank with the agricultural colleges of Ohio, Missouri, and Iowa, institutions that have become famous for the service they give farmers and the support they receive from them.

In every respect it was a banner week. Those who came enjoyed themselves and gained much good from the programs and exhibits. Next year they will come again and bring their neighbors with them.

M. A. C. MAN DECORATED BY CONGRESS.

Harold A. Furlong '18 Wins Medal of Honor.

The highest award of honor which the United States can bestow upon her soldiers has just been granted to an M. A. C. man.



Lieut. Harold A. Furlong, M. C. 353 Infantry, son of A. D. Furlong, Detroit, has just been awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor for

extraordinary heroism in action, Nov. 1, 1918, on the St. Mihiel sector. On December 17 he was given the Distinguished Service Cross at Gondelsheim, Germany, by Major-General Winn, commander of the 89th Division, of which Lieut. Furlong's regiment is a unit. This decoration led to the action by Congress which was reported on February 5. Lieut. Furlong is 23 years old.

Only 44 men have been thus decorated with the Congressional medal for gallantry in the war, so that Lieut. Furlong's award brings unusual honor to M. A. C.

During the engagement November 1 the commanding officer of his company was killed and the company command devolved on Lieut. Furlong, it is reported. Single-handed he captured a machine gun nest of four guns that had been holding up his advance, and captured 20 prisoners. Four days later his family was notified that he had been killed in this action, and it was not until after several letters had been received from him that the War Department reported a mistake had been made.

Furlong left college to attend the first camp at Ft. Sheridan. After graduating from the officers' training camp there, in August, 1917, Lieut. Furlong was stationed at Camp Funston, Kan., as a special instructor in bayonet, until May, 1918, when he was sent overseas.

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR BREWER RETURNS FROM ARMY WORK.

C. L. Brewer, director of athletics, returned from army service and is again on the job at the M. A. C. gymnasium.

Brewer reached East Lansing Saturday and took active control of athletics again Monday. He has received numerous delays in getting back to the old job but his welcome was none the less enthusiastic in spite of the fact that it was somewhat delayed. And Brewer says that he is mighty glad to be back in school again after spending several months in the service as divisional athletic director for the Training Camp activities commission.

M. A. C. REPRESENTED IN YEARLY ANTHOLOGY.

In the annual volume of "Poets of the Future," a college Anthology for 1917-18, M. A. C. is represented by a poem by Katharine Agnes Hume, '18, entitled "April Night." This year's Anthology, which has just been published by the Stratford Company of Boston, contains poems from sixty-six American colleges and universities. Ninety-six American institutions entered poems, forty being mentioned with "other poems of distinction."

This year's Anthology is a much smaller volume than in previous years.

due largely to the war conditions under which colleges have been struggling. The editor, Dr. Henry T. Schnittkind, says in his introduction, "the present collection is the most significant of the student Anthologies because the poems in this volume were written at that point in the world's history when their very authors were in the act of tearing into shreds the false poems of Autocracy and creating in its place the song of the Democracy of the World."

The M. A. C. poem, "April Night," by Miss Hume, will be published in an early issue of the RECORD.

"The Best College Short Stories," a volume containing twenty-two best stories written by college students during the past year and "Sixty-four Other Stories of Distinction" is another very recent publication from the Stratford Company. Among the stories of distinction is mentioned "For France," by Erma E. Preston, '19. This was the only story entered from M. A. C.

MEMBERS OF COLLEGE STAFF RETURN FROM ARMY.

Members of the college teaching force who were released to enter service are gradually returning to resume their duties. Beside Director Brewer several others have returned within the past couple weeks, among whom are Professor R. C. Huston, of the chemistry department; instructor Burkett of the English department, and C. S. Robinson of the Experiment Station.

Professor Huston, who has been a captain in the Sanitary Corps, returned to East Lansing last week. He entered service as a captain on August 6, 1918, and has served at three different posts. He was employed in laboratory work at the Rockefeller Institute of New York, the Yale Army Laboratory School and laboratories in Raleigh, N. C. He was discharged February 1 from the general hospital No. 19, at Oteen, N. C. Much of his work in service was in connection with gas defense and gas warfare.

Major A. S. Burkett, who has been in command of a battalion of the 160th Depot Brigade at Camp Custer, has just been discharged from service and will reenter the English department as an instructor. Mr. Burkett attended the first camp at Ft. Sheridan and received a captain's commission at the closing of the camp. He was promoted to Major while at Camp Custer. He will probably become coach of the debating teams for the English department.

C. S. Robinson, who has been a lieutenant in the Sanitary Corps, has resumed his work as research associate in the chemistry department at the Experiment Station. Lieut. Robinson left M. A. C. to enter the Sanitary Corps and during his entire period of service has had charge of a

course of instruction in clinical chemistry at the Rockefeller Institute for Medical Research at New York City. He was discharged on January 8th.

WORLD'S SWIMMING RECORD BROKEN IN M. A. C. TANK.

The swimming pool in the new gymnasium was properly christened by professionals last Thursday when Fred Schwedt, a young lad wearing the colors of Detroit Northern High School broke the world's record for plunging for distance, during the swimming exhibition, given as part of the athletic program for guests of Farmers' Week and the Legislature.

Schwedt in the distance plunge coasted 32 feet in 60 seconds for a world's record, adding seven feet to the best previous dive. Schwedt is a protege of Tom Clemens of the Detroit Athletic Club, who brought with him five other swimmers from Detroit to entertain the Farmers' Week crowds.

Some 3,000 people gathered in the gymnasium last Thursday evening to witness the athletic program. A half dozen boxing bouts and a lively wrestling match between Mellencamp, '22, and Hatobsky, '22, and an exhibition in the Japanese art of Jiu Jitsu by Naito, a Japanese student at the college, proved one of the most interesting and most talked of entertainments of the week.

The swimming demonstrations by six of the best swimmers in the State were the first ever held in the college pool, and served to show the crowds which thronged the gallery, the possibilities of M. A. C.'s splendid tank.

M. A. C. WINS FROM WABASH 37 TO 26.

The basketball team added another victory to their list last Friday in defeating Wabash College by a score of 37 to 26. The defeat administered at Wabash the week previously gave added "pep" to Gauthier's men and stimulated them to unusual efforts. From the result it would seem that the Wabash aggregation are used to their own small floor, which affords an opportunity for tactics all their own.

Following the Wabash game the team played at Hope College on Saturday, and lost a ragged game by a 21 to 18 score. Here again a small floor was encountered by Coach Gauthier's outfit and this, together with the fact that the team was badly off color gave the Hope men a chance to take a victory. It is the general feeling that the team did not go down to defeat before a superior quintet, but lost through loose playing.

M. A. C. DROPS GAME TO DEPAUW

The tables were turned Wednesday night when M. A. C. lost to Depauw

University quintet by a 20 to 12 score in the gymnasium. Two weeks ago M. A. C. won from the Depauw aggregation on their own floor but were unable to duplicate the stunt this week. The game was one of the best that has been played on the college courts, and was hard fought every minute. It was very well attended.

A double bill will be presented on Saturday night, when the Aggies meet the U. of M. team. As a preliminary the all-fresh quint will meet the speedy Alma college five on the M. A. C. floor. Michigan has a team of old players this year and is promising to put up a mighty battle to save themselves from defeat here on Saturday night.

WANTED; A NATIONAL POLICY IN AGRICULTURE.

Extracts from the Address of Dean
Davenport '78.

The following are extracts from the address of the president of the Association of American Agricultural Colleges and Experiment Stations delivered at the thirty-second annual convention at Baltimore, Maryland, January 8:

"The purpose of this paper is to invite attention to the very great need at the present time of a more definite policy regarding agriculture; a policy that shall be national in its scope, universal in its interests and comprehensive in its procedures. * * *

"What is meant is such a consensus of intelligent opinion and such a deliberate judgment about agriculture as shall represent the constructive purpose of the American people whether farmers, laborers, or business men, and whether operating in their private or their governmental capacities. What is meant is such a common recognition of certain facts and principles to be established by investigation and conference as shall amount at any given time to a national policy about farms and farmers and farming as over against the policy which assumes a struggle of each separate interest to maintain its place in a constantly shifting balance of power in which all are frankly antagonistic and each prospers or suffers in proportion to the force it is able to exert and the advantage it is able to secure.

This policy is not called a program because programs are made to carry out fixed and predetermined purposes, while the thing in the mind of the speaker is rather a status and a precedence under shifting conditions, with the intent always to promote the prosperity of the farmer, not as a favored class but as a typical and component part of society, producing the food of the people and in potential control of the land policies of the commonwealth.

My general thesis is this: that considerations of fairness and of pub-

lic safety both demand a higher regard for the affairs and interests of the open country and for the welfare of the farmer and his family; that in a real democracy the farmer must stand higher than hitherto in public esteem, not because of demands he may make upon society but by reason of his worth and his service; and that he should count for more in the management of public affairs, not administratively, in which he has little skill, but in matters requiring counsel, in which he is comparatively wise and relatively unprejudiced.

Agriculture, whether considered as a profession or as a mode of life, has never figured adequately in world affairs, being regarded by publicists mainly as the source of cheap food for cheap labor and of raw material good for commerce and for manufacture, both convenient for holding the balance of trade upon the right side of the ledger. The farmer himself has been generally considered as an unskilled laborer; a humble producer rather than a typical citizen.

Outside the technical journals, the public press is almost as silent about farmers and agriculture—except for an occasional poor joke, the annual crop statistics, or the market report—as if our farming were done upon Mars. The columns are full of the struggles between labor and capital, of society notes and of business schemes, but in general a murder trial with a mystery, or the love letters in a triangular divorce suit are good for more space than the greatest livestock exposition in the world.

Fundamentals of a National Policy

Among the achievements necessary to insure the proper development of American agriculture whether from a private or a public point of view, the following at least are of sufficient significance to be considered as fundamental in a national policy.

First—Subsidization of country schools to an extent that will insure to every child born upon the farm the opportunity of a good high school education admitting to college, with choice of differentiation along agricultural, mechanical, commercial, scientific, or literary lines—and this without leaving the father's roof or breaking up the home and the business.

Second—Public recognition of the fact that the farmer is neither a capitalist nor a laborer, as the terms are understood in the commercial world, but a managing operator of a small business of which the home and the family are integral parts, and therefore entitled to stand in the public esteem as a typical democrat, not as a "rube" or even as an eminently useful laborer that should be "contented with his lot."

Third—Recognition of the fact that the American farmer, as a typical citizen representing our largest and most fundamental industry, and as our greatest home-builder, is entitled

to an income comparable with his labor, his investment, and his managerial skill.

Fourth—The assurance of this income, not by arbitrary price fixing in defiance of the economic law of supply and demand, not by force, but by conference between producer, distributor, and consumer.

Fifth—Requirement by law of minimum housing conditions upon rented farms, such conditions to be maintained under a system of adequate inspection.

Sixth—The obligation not only to maintain but to increase the fertility of land, this obligation to be equally binding upon landlord and tenant and enforced by public license.

Seventh—Recognition of the fact that as between the owner and the operator of the land, the sympathy and support of the public should be with the operator.

Eighth—Recognition of the fact that as between the owner-operator, the tenant, and the speculator, the sympathy and support of the public should be with the owner-operator as the typical farmer.

Ninth—The elimination from the public mind of the idea that tenantry is to be regarded in America as typical land occupancy or as the ideal road to ownership, theories for nationalization and mutualization of land to the contrary notwithstanding.

Tenth—The appropriation of public funds for financing young men in prospective ownership as soon as they shall have fully established a reputation for thrift and shall have accumulated say ten percent of the purchase price of productive lands.

Eleventh—The establishment of interest rates on funds loaned upon land for home-building purposes that shall be based upon those of the most favorable bond issues, not upon current banking rates for short term loans—rates that cannot be generally realized in farming and that ought not to be realized in the business of producing the staple foods.

Twelfth—Discouragement of speculation in land, by means of graduated taxation and if necessary by prohibiting the accumulation of large numbers of farms or other acquisition of land with no intention of occupancy; in other words, the absolute dissociation of real estate speculation from farming and from the production of the food of the people. If we are to retain the principle and practice of private ownership, we must not abuse the privilege.

Thirteenth—Recognition of agriculture in all its phases as a matter of deep public concern, whether regarded as the machinery for the production of the food of the people, or as the means of providing ideal conditions for the rearing of children.

Fourteenth—Finally, the determination to maintain upon the land the same class of people as are those who

constitute the prevailing type among the mass of American citizens.

Granted that these or some similar principles are not only right but desirable, how may we best set about their realization in the form of a working National Policy? Upon this point there is interesting material for reflection in the methods by which we have arrived at other convictions and policies that may fairly be called national.

Specifically, I would suggest for your consideration the following proposition: That the Association of American Agricultural Colleges and Experiment Stations memorialize both Congress and the President of the United States, as representing the legislative and the administrative functions of our government, to join in the appointment of a permanent Agricultural Commission, not of officials but of representative citizens, who shall serve without compensation except for actual expenses and a nominal per diem; the personnel of the Commission to be representative not only of farming as a business and of agriculture as a national enterprise but also of other interests, particularly labor and capitalized industry; a body resembling in purpose the Roosevelt Country Life Commission and in function the National Advisory Committee appointed jointly by the Department of Agriculture and the Food Administration; a body competent to consider from time to time the agricultural situation and needs, charged with the duty not of drafting bills looking to specific legislation but of preparing and publishing findings that shall be regarded as advisory to the legislative and to the administrative branches of our government and that also may be helpful in creating healthy public opinion and influential in establishing and maintaining sound national policies in agriculture.*

*The recommendation contained in the last paragraph of the above address was endorsed by the Association, and the Executive Committee was instructed to take suitable action toward making the recommendation effective.

SOME ALUMNI WHO REGISTERED LAST WEEK.

R. V. Tanner, '09, Hastings, Mich.; Sgt. W. H. Thies, '19, Traverse City, Mich.; F. O. Foster, '03, Detroit, Mich.; Alice M. Kuenzli, '16, Manistee, Mich.; E. O. Ladd, '78, Old Mission, Mich.; B. F. Beach, '15, Hart, Mich.; Alfred Hemishorn, '11, Shelby, Mich.; Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Bogan, '16-'18, Rosebush, Mich.; Wm. M. Rider, '88, Brattleboro, Vt.; N. S. Mayo, '88, 1650 Malden Ave., Chicago, Ill.; Wm. T. Langley, '82, Constantine, Mich.; M. W. Sprague, '09, Vermontville, Mich.; Earl C. Sanford, '12,

Grass Lake, Mich.; Otto W. Pino, '17, Manchester, Mich.; C. E. Smith, '10, 822 Farwell Bldg., Detroit, Mich.; Grace H. Hitchcock, '15, Grand Haven, Mich.; A. MacVittie, '11, Caro, Mich.; C. A. Stahl, '12, Dowagiac, Mich.; R. S. Linton, '16, Owosso, Mich.; Herman W. Reynolds, 522 Isaac Peral, Manila, P. I.; Elvina A. Reynolds, '04, 522 Isaac Peral, Manila, P. I.; Robert L. Taylor, '10, Lapeer, Mich.; C. L. Rose, '11, Evart, Mich.; R. E. Morrow, '98, Bellam, Mich.; Gale Gilbert, '12, Onsted, Mich.; S. C. Hagenbuch, '10, Three Rivers, Mich.; L. J. Reed, '13, Clio, Mich.; L. L. Cardwell, '14, Imlay City, Mich.; L. B. Littell, '01, 544 Giddings Ave., Grand Rapids, Mich.; Alta Lawson Littell, '03, 544 Giddings Ave., Grand Rapids, Mich.; Edward B. Benson, '17, Fennville, Mich.; Carl H. Knopf, '11, Manistee, Mich.; C. S. Langdon, '11, Hubbardston, Mich.; George F. Stow, '88, Fowler, Mich.; Robert H. Gorsline, '19, Battle Creek, Mich.; Royal J. Bondie, '18, Dearborn, Mich.; Lieut. W. S. Beden, '16, Lansing, Mich.; Irving Kirshman, '14, L'Anse, Mich.; Hazel Ramsay, '14, Eaton Rapids, Mich.; W. P. Wilson, '06, Col. C. A. U. S. A. Ft. Revere, Boston Harbor, Mass.; M. J. Hamilton, '20, Ithaca, Mich.

WEDDING.

The wedding of Capt. Fred A. Stone '12 of Chicago, and Miss Lena Vee Kelley, daughter of Congressman and Mrs. Patrick Henry Kelley of Lansing, took place Wednesday evening, February 5, at seven thirty o'clock in the home of the bride's parents, Royden apartments, Washington, D. C. The ceremony was performed by Rev. James Shera Montgomery, of Calvary Methodist church. Capt. Stone, since graduation, has been with the engineering department of the Illinois Central railroad and during his war service served in the 20th Engineers overseas and as instructor at Camp Humphries, Va. Mrs. Stone is a graduate of LaSalle Seminary and Columbia university, and has been teaching in New York.

UNDER CLASSMEN STILL IN SERVICE.

Arend, C. H., w'21, Co. D, 337th Inf., Amer. E. F., France.
Andrews, H. J., w'19, M. I. T., Naval Avia. Det., Cambridge, Mass.
Andrews, Ward, w'19, M. I. T., Naval Avia. Det., Cambridge, Mass.
Archer, Laurence C., w'19, Co. 616, Bks. 828 N. Camp Decatur, Great Lakes, Ill.
Delamarter, Arthur R., w'20, Corp. Rifle Range Det., U. S. M. C., Quantico, Va.
Engels, J. L., w'19, Co. B, 106th Eng. Amer. E. F.
Gustafson, Clifford W., w'20, U. S. S. West Zula, care Postmaster, N. Y.

Higbie, Chas., w'20, Co. G, 307th Am. Train, A. E. F. France.
Perkins, Eaton F., w'19, Sergt. Sanitary Squad No. 57, A. E. F. France.

Rowley, Harold, w'21, Ensign, Receiving Ship, New York, N. Y.

WITH OUR MEN IN SERVICE

From Lt.-Col. M. L. Ireland, '01, U. S. Army, A. P. O. 717, France, to Prof. H. K. Vedder.

January 21, 1919.

This is just to say hello and to register encountering over here Capt. L. H. Taylor, Engineer Corps, class of 1901, Mr. Bemies, Athletic Director 1899-00, as special agent with Russian Forces in France, Brigadier-Gen. Thomas Reldy, Corps of Engineers, class of 1882 from Williamston, 1st Lieut. Marvin L. Streeter, Motor Transport Corps, with 1914 Eng. I think, Major Floyd C. Hecox, Motor Transport Corps with 1908 Engr. I also met the 125th Infantry from Michigan shortly after they had occupied Andermarch on the Rhine while on a trip to Coblenz in early December. Sometime I may tell you how interesting my work has been. I saw Brigadier-General H. H. Bandholtz among others.

From R. E. Brightup, '11, Capt. Coast Art. Cps., now attending the Army Line School, A. P. O. 714, Laugres, France:

I was assigned to the 56th Regt. of Artillery (C. A. C.) when it was organized in the coast defenses of Long Island Sound, Dec. 20, 1917, and came to France with that organization in March, 1918.

After much training, etc., we landed in the Chateau Thierry region, the latter part of August, as army artillery equipped with the French 155 mm. G. P. F. guns. Just before the offensive started on Sept. 26 we were moved over to the region northwest of Verdun and just below Montfaucon where we took part in that drive. I didn't get to finish though as I was soon ordered down here to the Line School. If the war had continued I suppose I would have been sent to the Gen'l Staff College on finishing this course. However, now that it is over I hope soon to land in the good old U. S. A.

I have met only a few M. A. C. men since coming to France. Smith of about 1913 come over on the same boat and I had a lad in my battery who had left to join the army (my battery was made up of regulars) at the end of his freshman year.

From Pvt. V. R. Cooledge, Co. A, 347 M. G. Bn., Amer. E. F., A. P. O. No. 776, to Dr. Giltner:

We left Hoboken July 5th and arrived at Liverpool on July 16th after an uneventful trip. From there we went to Southampton, crossed the channel to LeHavre and took side-door Pullmans to Mamay, Haute

Mame. We drilled for about six weeks before going to the St. Mihiel sector. We were only in reserve here but on September 26th we went over the top in the Meuse-Argonne offensive northwest of Verdun. We were in that battle until October 12th when we left for the Belgian front and fought under King Albert in the Lys-Scheldt offensive around Audenoide from October 31st to November 3d.

You have no doubt read of the strong resistance met by the 91st in the Argonne. The Prussian guards were used to try to stop us.

Over on this front (Belgium) a German document was picked up in which the German soldiers were offered eighteen days additional leave for every member of the 91st division captured. So I guess we were not very popular with them.

From here we expect to go to Le Mans, France, to be reequipped for our trip home or else to the Rhine.

From a 'Dad's Day' letter written to G. E. "Buck" Ewing '92 by his son, now in Germany with the army of occupation.

We entered the trenches May 30th in the Alsace sector near Bell Fort. We were just holding the lines there. That was a good war, but August 1st our troubles began. We entered the drive at Chateau Thierry, here our Battalion advanced eight kilometers one day. From here we went to the Soisson front on the 28th of August. We entered and went over the top the morning of the 29th. I went through that O. K. but the 30th we were ordered to attack again at 4:30 p. m. Well, we had just reached our objectives and I was digging like H— to get out of danger of shrapnel when I was struck by a piece on my left hip, about 6:30, believe me I hobbled for the dressing station, the next morning found me in Paris at an evacuation hospital. I stayed there about a week, then was transferred to a base hospital at Nantes, where I remained about three weeks, then I got back to my company just in time to enter the Argonne sector on the Verdun front, where we put in twenty-one days of H— in which our battery went over the top three times. When we were relieved some of us were given a furlough, but it was cut short one day because our regiment was put in the lines again November 5th and we were there until the finish. I heard the last shot fired—it was the eleventh minute of the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month 1918, and believe me Dad I will never forget the minute, hour, day, month or year. I do not believe you can imag-

ine how we celebrated. American and Dutch alike, they came over to our line and told us where some of our boys were lying that had been wounded in an attack the day before. They also turned prisoners loose which they had captured the day before, including four from our company.

Well we spent the rest of the week cleaning up and drilling some, and on the next Sunday started our hike for the Rhine. Sunday and Monday we hiked 56 kilometers, bringing us to the border line of France and Luxembourg, where we did guard duty for two days. The third day we were going over the line to the Rhine to establish our front lines ten kilometers beyond the Rhine, but two of us corporals were sent back to attend N. C. O. school at Gancourt so here I am at school, while my company is probably over the Rhine river into Germany.

From J. M. Maze, '16, 300 2d St., Jersey City to Dr. E. A. Bessey:

I have written very little from the front the opportunities being very few for such a dangerous operation. Then, too, we in the artillery did not have the same heroic part as the superb American infantry. Ours was on most occasions the silent heroism, to lie low and hope and pray that the 77's or 150's do not make a direct hit on our shelter trenches or gun platforms. At times, too, we found it necessary to disobey the Huns and keep our 190's blazing away with shells breaking all around us and casualties here and there. Our battery was a 194 mm. howitzer (an old French gun) and was very effective. Being a howitzer our work was principally that of destruction and as such very compatible with the general spirit. At St. Mihiel we fired on some of the very renowned Boche underground "palaces." On visiting our targets the next day we saw some of the work that we were hardly conscious of having accomplished. Since then we had very much respect for our engine of destruction. Our shells knocked in many a dugoutful of Boches, and induced hundreds of Boches to take to the air. In the first Argonne battle we nred at German batteries in the town of Varennes, and on Mt. Fancou when it was retaken by the Germans. The infantry in both cases advanced too fast for the artillery, especially ours of the heavy kind like our 19's. On the 11th of October we moved to Charney, north of Verdun. Here the infantry was considerably slower in its progress and we had the opportunity of firing and being fired upon almost daily. Later we advanced to Chattencourt and Coumiers, where the armistice hushed our guns at 11:01 a. m. One of the guns, to finish an even 100 for the morning, was "compelled" to fire the last shot "after" the war.



Alumni Notes



'81.

"If anyone asks for Root (J. F.) with '81 tell them I am on a part of the 400 acres my grandfather settled on in 1825 and that I expect my son to go on with it soon." The Root farm is at Plymouth, Michigan.

'82.

E. N. Ball, Hamburg; W. E. Hale, Eaton Rapids; Wm. T. Langley, Constantine, Michigan, met at M. A. C. Farmers' Week. Ball for 18 years has been secretary of the Michigan Tamworth Breeders' Association; Hale for years has been president of the Cyclone Insurance Company; Langley has quit in his own behalf and is now active with others in putting old St. Joe county back in the fruit ranks of the counties of Michigan. He had the satisfaction of seeing three of the four sweepstakes-premiums on corn come to St. Joe county besides the lesser premiums on White Top Corn, beans, wheat and clover seed. The three "boys" went out and took a look at the beautiful double row of elm trees set along the north side of the campus, forty years ago this spring, in 1879.

Theo. F. Millspaugh, during the last month, has lost by death his mother, his oldest daughter and a granddaughter. He lives at 62 Claredon Ave., Detroit, Michigan.

John F. Evert, Mendon, Michigan is assisting "Uncle Sam" in collecting the income tax of Michigan.

Why should not '82 have a "Round Robin Letter" and a reunion with every living member present? The class that made Bailey famous (?)

Every R. F. D. mail box of an M. A. C. man in the state should have on it M. A. C. — so that other M. A. C. men passing could stop and get at least a drink of water. Why not?" —W. T. Langley.

'87.

W. C. Sanson of 632 W. Burnside st., Caro, Michigan, has been particularly active in Red Cross and Y. M. C. A. work during the past year and "in getting the cash from that fellow who wants to dodge coming across financially to aid the boys."

'90.

R. Bruce McPherson is still making his headquarters at "the old home town, Howell, Michigan. Am interested in banking, timber lands and running a 360 acre farm near here where I keep a herd of about 100 head of Holstein-Friesian cattle so you see my agricultural training has borne some fruit. Would be glad to hear from any of the boys who are interested in similar lines. I do not hear much from the boys of '90. H. L. Bunnell writes occasionally from Vancouver, B. C. where he is cruising timber for the Canadian Government." Also see Will W. Morrison, a banker of Toledo, Ohio, occasionally."

'91.

Thomas Flower (with) is associated with his cousins, John and Charles Flower, and is manager of the Flower-Stephens Co., Detroit, manufacturers of waterwork materials and fire department supplies. His company has been employed on emergency fleet corporation work. He is living at 66 Maidstone, Detroit, Mich.

'92.

L. C. Brooks is electrical engineer for the Bethlehem Ship Building Corporation at Bethlehem, Pa.

'96.

Louis D. Sees conducts two stores in Unionville, Michigan; he is also "School Director, Village Assessor, Justice of the Peace, Secretary of the

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'97.

Dwight Sanderson has recently been elected professor of rural organization at the New York State College of Agriculture, Cornell University and is living at Lodge Way and Wait Ave., Ithaca, N. Y. Previous to his acceptance of the Cornell position he was engaged in special work in the office of agricultural extension, north and west, States Relation Service, U. S. Department of Agriculture.

'01.

C. L. Dean is General Contractor and a member of the Fleisher Construction Company, 610 Building Exchange, Minneapolis, Minn. His company built eight buildings in Minneapolis last year costing from \$25,000 to \$100,000 each and are now finishing a court house and jail at Superior, for which the contract is \$325,000. Dean's work is estimating, designing, pricing estimates, bidding and buying materials, and he is rated as Chief Engineer for the company. He adds, "have been very busy in the twenty-one years and two months since entering M. A. C. in November 1897, and this is my first message back. Dean is living at 2728 Emerson Ave., S. Minneapolis, Minn.

'03.

Emma B. Barrett has the domestic art work in the Ballard high school at Seattle, Washington and is living at 4001 Whitman Ave. There are several M. A. C. people in western Washington who get together quite frequently for social evenings.

'04.

D. A. Gurney is Chief Draftsman for the Mobile Gun Carriage Section, Artillery Division, Ordnance Department, U. S. Army. He is living at 1217 Gallatin st., N. W. Washington, D. C.

George W. White has joined his wife (V. A. McDowell with '08) and their three children at Atascadero, California. His family have been living in California for the past year, but he has been "keeping the home fires burning on war work along engineering lines in the Cleveland industries."

'05.

George W. Nichols is owner of the Webb Engineering Company, designing and contracting engineers, with offices at 801 Oliver Bldg., Pittsburg, Pa. He is living at 2968 Mattern Ave., Doumont, Pittsburg, Pa.

'06.

A. S. Armstrong is in charge of the construction of lock and dam No. 33 on the Ohio river. His address is Box No. 36, Maysville, Ky.

W. J. Kingscott is a district engineer for the State Highway Department, with headquarters at Cadillac, Mich.

'09.

Floyd H. Valentine is chief engineer of the Bishop & Babcock Company, manufacturers of heating specialties, Cleveland, Ohio. He is living at 9230 Wade Park Ave., Cleveland, Ohio.

'10.

Bert Shedd is supervisor of Tekonsha township, Secretary and Treasurer of the Tekonsha County Co-operative Co., and looking after a 300 acre farm at Tekonsha, Mich.

'11.

Frank L. True is in the Motor Transport Corps Detachment at Ft. Wayne, Michigan.

G. P. Springer is employed in the construction division, Railways and Terminal Branch of the War Department at Washington, D. C. He is living at 2312 Woodbridge St. N. E. Springer is treasurer of the Washington Society of Engineers.

O. G. Anderson and Mrs. Anderson (Grace Dickenson) "are actively engaged in farming. We have two boys, aged five and two, who will be candidates later. Murl Kurtz '14 and Joe Myers with their respective wives and families live on farms in the neighborhood. We get together and while away the long winter evenings very successfully once in a while.

'12.

S. L. Hall is County Highway Engineer for Ingham County. He has been with the Board of County Road Commissioners since 1913, and constructed over 130 miles of State Road road. Their program for next year includes 22 miles of road.

'13.

F. E. Andrews is Division Inspector, Public Service Co., of northern Illinois, and may be addressed care Public Service Co., Chicago Heights, Ill.

'14.

R. W. Wilson is sales engineer for the Clarage Fan Co., of Kalamazoo, Mich. His address is 808 Van Vranken Court.

D. M. Purnell is an instructor at the Baron de Hirsch Agricultural School at Peekskill, N. Y.

H. B. Vasold of Long Lane Farm at Freeland, Michigan, "took a hit at the Kaiser this year by producing two tons of sugar beet seed and expects to deliver a like blow next year."

Glenn H. Myers is connected with the Essex Motors branch of the Hudson Motor Company in Detroit as assistant in charge of the engineering department. He writes that he and Mrs. Myers (Minna Baab, '13) will be glad to "see any M. A. C. people who care to drop in at 443 Continental for a chat."

Mark A. Chambers is assistant engineer in the Public Works Department for the city of Battle Creek and lives at 35 Willard ave.

The engagement of Miss Ethel Krauss to G. O. Marklewitz, both of Lansing, Michigan has been announced. Miss Krauss is in the employ of Brown & Kelley, attorneys and Marklewitz is with the Reo Motor Car Company.

Ray R. Kittredge, who has been Chief Wood Inspector of the Detroit District of the Bureau of Aircraft Production has returned to his former position as chemist with the Solvay Process Company, Detroit, Mich.

Ruth Jane Kittredge arrived January 3d. Mrs. Kittredge was formerly Miss Helen B. Boyce '15. They are living at 563 Vinewood Ave., Detroit, Mich.

Ensign Harold L. Smith has been discharged from the navy and has resumed his position as designing engineer with the Westinghouse Electric Company at Pittsburg, Pa. Ensign Smith was cruising during the early part of the summer on the U. S. S. Savannah and the submarine O-3. The past three months he spent in training at the Naval Academy at Annapolis.

Leda Moore is teaching domestic science and art in the Detroit public schools. She is living at 120 Lothrop Ave.

'15.

C. P. Johnson is County Agent of Carlton County, Minnesota. His county is the one that suffered so heavily in the recent fire, both in lives lost and in financial losses. His address is Box No. 238, Carlton, Minn. "Kris Bemis, '15, recently paid me a visit and went through a part of our burned over territory."

Harold V. Dunford is a master engineer, Sr. Grade, with the Hdqs. Detachment of the 15th Grand Division Transportation Corps, Gievres, France, A. P. O. No. 713. He has been over eight months in service, having gone over with the original 46th Engineers. His work is that of railway maintenance.

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Annice Hargreaves is head of the Home Economics Department at Adrian College, Adrian, Michigan.

Laura M. Trebilcock is teaching in Gwinn, Michigan and living at Princeton, Michigan.

John DePachter, who has been with the 87th Spruce Sqdn., at Joyce, Lake Pleasant, Washington in the Spruce Production Division of the army has been released from service and visited the campus this week.

*16.

Harry J. Crisp is "busy at present collecting dog tax and registering women in Wheatland township. My main job, however, is running 120 acres at Pittsford, Michigan. R. F. D. No. 2.

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Gideon E. Smith was mustered out at Camp Taylor, Ky., January 10th, and has resumed his work as instructor of chemistry at the West Virginia Collegiate Institute. Smith was overseas with the 814th Pioneer Infantry (The Black Devils). His organization got as far as South Hampton wharves and were ordered to remain in England. Smith writes that he did hate to get that near to the line of action without even seeing one little battle.

H. L. Lewis has again taken up his graduate study in plant pathology at the University of Wisconsin. During the summer he was employed by the Bureau of Plant Industry in the Cereal Disease Survey, and during the fall in the Smut Control Campaign in the Atlantic Coast States. In November he was transferred to Barberry Eradication project and worked in the Detroit district, and later at Milwaukee. He is living at 509 Lake St., Madison, Wisconsin.

A postcard from C. P. Pressley, sergeant in Co. G. 47th Inf., Amer. E. F. says "am on my way to the Rhine and O. K."

Ruth E. Wagner is on her third year in the medical department of the University of Michigan. She spent a month last fall as Laboratory Technician in the Children's Free Hospital in Detroit, Mich. Her address is 127 N. State st., Ann Arbor, Mich.

*17.

A. B. Muir was discharged from the Field Artillery Training School at Camp Taylor, in December and is now employed as shipping clerk for the Monroe Corrugated Box Co., Monroe, Michigan. His address is Hubble Apts.

Harry L. Campbell C. A. C. at Ft. Stevens, Oregon was recently promoted from 1st lieutenant to captain.

Alice Dalby is teaching in the public schools of Detroit and living at home at 23 Ferrin Place, Mt. Clemens, Mich.

L. O. Stewart has been in the Coast Survey a year and a half and has worked in Alaska and along the Atlantic Coast. During the fall he worked with a party making a wire drag survey for the navy of sections of Long Island, Block Island and Fishers Island Sounds, with headquarters at Stonington, Conn. His address is Watervliet, Mich.

Martha Goltz is bacteriologist at the Sherman Laboratory at Detroit. Her address is 792 Dickerson ave.

M. R. Tonkonogy is science teacher in the high school at Storm Lake, Iowa.

Grace Holtrop is supervisor of domestic science and art in the Petoskey schools. She is living at 714 Grove st.

*18.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Mallman, East Lansing are receiving congratulations on the arrival of a son, born Tuesday, February 11th. Mallman is an assistant in the bacteriology department.

Mrs. Merritt Reeves (Blanche MacNaughton) has left her work in the Flint schools to accept a position in the State Food and Drug Commissioner's office at Lansing. Mr. and Mrs. Reeves are living at East Lansing where he is completing his college work.

John E. Wilkinson is a Sergeant of Arsenal Co. No. 2, Raritan Arsenal, N. J.

Clyde H. Mitchell is a Sergeant, Co. A. 1st Bn., 310th Engineers in the American North Russia Expedition, via Archangel.

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