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Mrs. MILDRED OSBAND of Lansing is the new matron of the Senior House, succeeding Miss Williams who left last term. For several years Mrs. Osband was matron at the Eclectic House and is an honorary member of that society. Mrs. Osband comes to the Senior House from Grand Rapids where she has been similarly employed.

THE HORTICULTURAL DEPARTMENT is making strenuous efforts to repair the ravages of war on the campus lawns. Drilling the S. A. T. C. men were many spots bare of grass, particularly in front of the dormitories and on those sections used regularly for company formations. With this spring's military drilling confined to the drill ground the grass will have a chance again. The Hort department is also "sprucing up" the wild garden which is another sure indication of spring.

"HOTTEDS AND COLDFRAMES" and "The Home Vegetable Garden," by C. W. Wade, extension specialist, are March and April bulletins of the extension division of the college just out for distribution. The illustrations are from photographs of the more flourishing of East Lansing's home gardens.

A STATE VOLLEY BALL tournament will be held at the gymnasium Friday, April 11. Lansing Y. M. C. A. will have a team entered and besides Lansing, teams will be on the floor from Grand Rapids, Bay City, Saginaw, Jackson and probably Detroit. The tourney will be finished Friday evening, unless the entry list becomes considerably larger. The Kresge cup will be awarded the championship team. The cup is now being held by the Lansing "Y" team for the second year. Cadillac held the cup one year. A victory by the locals gives them permanent ownership of the cup. Any other team winning the trophy must return it for competition next year or until any team has won it three times.

A REAL WHIPPET TANK, like those that went over the top with the 301st Brigade Tank Corps in the Argonne Forest, modeled after the French style and highly camouflaged "noised" itself about East Lansing Monday afternoon. It is in Ingham county in

the interests of Victory Loan and started its demonstration tour of the state in East Lansing. The college town is favored with this honor because of its record as a volunteer community during the last Loan Drive. The tank was in charge of Sgt. Carl Voss and Charles Duncan of Detroit, who were 10 months overseas in the tank corps. It is painted with bright yellow and blue in camouflage designs and is equipped with a 37 MM. semi-automatic rifle. It demonstrated its ability to stomp out machine gun nests on the streets of East Lansing, and then charged in upon the campus, giving college people a fair idea of some of the noises of war, by waltzing up and down over the ruins of Old Williams.

THE ATHLETIC CARNIVAL which used to be an annual affair and which was reintroduced last spring for the first time in several years will be held this spring in the gymnasium. April 26 is a tentative date set for the carnival but it is entirely possible that the carnival may be put on as an entertainment feature for the interscholastic track meet on May 24. Formerly the carnival has been given the first Saturday of the spring term but was crowded out of its usual place by the J. Hop.

THE SECOND GENERATION was in evidence at the Junior Prom of this year held in the gymnasium last Friday night. The president of the Junior class who led the grand march and who responded so ably to a toast at the banquet was Stanley Johnson, son of W. F. Johnson, with '91, of Roscommon. Laura Collingwood, vice president of the class, with whom President Johnson shared the grand march honors, is the younger daughter of Judge C. B. Collingwood, '85. L. L. Bateman, treasurer of the class, and one of the grand march leaders, is the nephew of A. N. Bateman, '92.

THE CURRENT ISSUE OF THE HOLCAD devotes considerable space to an account of this year's J. Hop, introducing it with full page head lines. Our old political (?) friend, Jim Helme, would probably point to this as an indication of the depths of degeneracy to which the student body had fallen, however we know better—the Holcad editors are all juniors.

EAST LANSING POLITICS were not at all heated over the spring election. The city ticket came up and passed without so much as a ruffle over the surface—with one exception. Mrs. Gilson, wife of W. I. Gilson, '10, was the first lady to grace the city ticket in East Lansing and she is now the new city treasurer. The new city officers, elected without any opposition whatever, are Mayor E. H. Ryder; alderman for one year, Mark Smith, '85; aldermen for two years, A. J. Nash and Frank Mitchell, '01; city clerk, B. A. Faunce; treasurer, Mrs. W. I. Gilson, and supervisor, J. Schepers.

AN ADDITIONAL INSTRUCTOR in Military Science has reported at the college as an assistant to Major Wrightson. He is Serg. Donovan B. Albright of the 20th Infantry, formerly stationed at Fort Brady, Michigan. The R. O. T. C. unit is entitled to one non-commissioned officer for every 100 men and besides Sergt. Robinson and Sergt. Albright another non-com is expected to be sent here soon by the War Department to assist in the instructional work. Sergeant Albright has had two years service in the army and on account of his qualifications as a rifleman, he will probably be given the coaching of the rifle team another year.

THE ANNUAL INSPECTION of the Reserve Officers Training Corps is announced for May 8 and 9. This year's inspection will cover two days and will probably be very thorough, including all phases of the R. O. T. C. work. The inspecting officer named by the War Department is Lieut.-Col. John H. Hester of the general staff at Washington. The annual competition drill will be held on May 27.

THE ARMORY has been given a new maple floor during the spring vacation and once again comes into its own as a drill hall and a suitable place for dancing parties. There have been practically no social gatherings of any sort in the building for the past two years due to the conditions of the floor. The restoration of the Armory will relieve the annual congestion of society commencement parties by making available another dancing floor.



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FRIDAY, APRIL 11, 1919

## THE APPROPRIATIONS NEED HELP.

Appropriation bills for the library-administration building amounting to \$300,000 and for extension work amounting to \$180,000 for the two-year period were passed by the House of Representatives Wednesday this week. They were sent to the Senate Thursday and they are in committee along with a bill for \$300,000 for an auditorium which was first introduced in that body.

The support these issues are receiving from Lansing citizens is well shown through interviews with five of Lansing's leading business and professional men, appearing in the Lansing paper of Wednesday evening. Judge Howard Wiest, William K. Prudden, '78, F. N. Arbaugh, president of the Chamber of Commerce, R. H. Scott of the Reo Motor Car Co. and C. E. Bement are acquainted with the actual needs of M. A. C. and all were most emphatic in their endorsement of the measures before the legislature.

But these appropriations for the upbuilding and fuller development of M. A. C. aren't altogether Lansing's affair. We as alumni appreciate the assistance Lansing is giving the college in its effort to be supplied with the things it needs. We are gratified to know that they feel as strongly as they do in the matter, yet its our own affair so to speak, and their action can be nothing but humiliating to the alumni body unless we hold up our end and do our share and more to get the bills through.

Confidentially, we may say that the success of the bills in the Senate is doubtful unless every ounce of alumni influence is brought to bear. In our laeandering in and about the legisla-

ture we have been told time and again that "the Agricultural College is deserving enough but unless members of the legislature are impressed with the fact" by their constituents they will not find the cause for voting favorably on the measure.

The University, it appears, will get from this legislature over \$2,000,000 for new buildings and to carry on its work. We are asking less than \$800,000. If we don't get it, its our own fault. But let's have it said of alumni that they did their utmost.

Every single alumnus and former student in Michigan can help and must. Acquaint your representative in the House and Senate with the fact that it is your desire that he help the passage of the bills.

Wednesday, April 16, the bills will be sent out of the committee. Do what you are going to do now before it is too late.

## SPRING ELECTION BRINGS NEW MEMBERS TO STATE BOARD.

### L. Whitney Watkins '93 and Mrs. Dora Stockman Republicans Elected With Large Majority.

As a result of the Spring election just held Robert D. Graham, president of the State Board of Agriculture, and Alfred J. Doherty will retire from that body with the expiration of their terms in December, 1919, and their places will be filled by L. Whitney Watkins, '93, of Manchester, and Mrs. Dora Stockman of Lansing.

Mr. Watkins' return to the State Board of Agriculture is being welcomed by alumni all through Michigan. He served on the Board from 1899 until 1905 and during that period brought things to pass that demonstrated his regard for Alma Mater. An alumnus, he is well awake to the needs of the institution and his ability to get things done may be counted upon for service to M. A. C.

Mr. Watkins is a 1,000-acre farmer of Jackson county and is the third generation of the family on his farm. While in college he was an Olympic and captain of his class baseball team for two years. He was 'varsity baseball manager for one year, captain of Company A of the Cadet Corps and a member of the crack M. A. C. boxing team of which Jack Collins, the old D. A. C. trainer, was coach. He specialized as a student in general agriculture, horticulture and natural history.

While serving on the State Board he was chairman of the committee on military and athletic work and was instrumental in inaugurating and developing the present athletic department. He was responsible for the purchase of the land across the river for the athletic field and was also responsible for securing for M. A. C.



the services of Director C. L. Brewer who was then athletic coach at Albion college. These facts are of considerable importance when we consider that in '99 when Mr. Watkins became a member of the State Board, M. A. C. had no athletic department and no regular coach. When he graduated in '93 no football or basketball game had ever been played at M. A. C. "When the boys wanted a professional coach for other sports they chipped in and hired him."

Mr. Watkins served in the state senate from 1909 to 1912 and was vigorous in his support of measures for the betterment of M. A. C. He was for a time president of the Jackson M. A. C. Association.

Mrs. Stockman, the other new member of the State Board, is the first woman to ever serve in that body. She is fairly well known to M. A. C. and to M. A. C. alumni. She is a very practical farm woman and is in very close touch with the agricultural interests of the state through her work as a state grange lecturer.

Mrs. Stockman has done considerable work for the college, being one of the first to take up demonstrating for the extension department. This she undertook at Bay View in 1914 and her success was so great that later she represented the college as a special home economics demonstrator during the winter months and lectured at some 30 farmers' institutes in Southern Michigan. Previous to her election it was said by all her supporters that "she knows the tests and needs of the farmers' wives as well as any woman in Michigan."

## MILWAUKEE ALUMNI GATHERING.

M. A. C. people in and about Milwaukee held a meeting Saturday,

April 4, as a preliminary to a reorganization of the Milwaukee Association. Officers were elected at the meeting and William L. Davidson, '13, is to be president for the ensuing year and George B. Wells, with '00, is secretary and treasurer. The president was very gratified at the spirit shown and the Milwaukee Aggies believe that inasmuch as a number have returned from service now they are warranted in getting things started on a regular basis.

Already they are planning to join with the Chicago Association this spring for their annual banquet.

## LIBRARY AND EXTENSION BILLS PASS HOUSE.

### Auditorium Appropriation Held up in Senate Committee.

The appropriation bills first introduced in the House of Representatives passed that body Wednesday afternoon this week. The bills provide \$300,000 for a library and administration building and \$90,000 a year for two years for extension work. The two bills were incorporated as one and amended so that in case the revenue from the mill tax is increased within the next two years, the appropriation will be decreased by that amount.

The bills were sent to the Senate Thursday and will be in committee there until next Wednesday, when they will be sent out there for final vote.

The auditorium bill originally introduced in the Senate, is still in the committee there, with hopes of its passage doubtful, unless the attitude of the Senate is made to change. A hearing on this bill was had Wednesday night before the Senate committee. Mr. Hull, former master of the State Grange, C. E. Bement of Lansing, Mr. Graham of the State Board of Agriculture, W. K. Prudden, '78, Pres. Kedzie and Secretary Brown pointing out the need of the auditorium to the Senate representatives.

Thus far every state institution, both educational and penal has gotten all of the amount it has asked from the legislature, the University to date being given \$2,200,000 for buildings and to carry on its work. M. A. C. requests are apparently the first to be frowned upon. The largest appropriations in the history of the state are being voted by the present session. Every assistance from alumni and friends of M. A. C. will be necessary to get the amount that the college is asking just for its bare needs.

### STUDENT PASTOR FOR COMMUNITY CHURCH.

Rev. O. B. Behrens has just arrived in East Lansing as a student pastor to assist with the work of the

People's Church and the College Y. M. C. A. Mr. Behrens has been a chaplain in the Navy and was present at the surrender of the German fleet.

Although a Presbyterian he is sent to M. A. C. by the Presbyterian, Methodist, Episcopal, Congregational and Baptist denominations. He will work with the Y. M. C. A. secretary and with the People's Church in behalf of the students, coming as an associate or student pastor, a particular field of work that is now coming into prominence in large college and university towns. He will undertake such work as will make the church more effective among students. Mr. Behrens is a college graduate and a graduate of McCormick Theological Seminary in Chicago. He has been in the ministry since 1912. He brings to East Lansing a family of two small girls and a boy besides his wife. They expect to move into Dr. Giltner's house on Oak Hill where the Lindemanns are now living.

## Commencement Reunions

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### JUNE 10 AND 11.

### ATHLETIC BOARD FIX RULES FOR AWARDING VARSITY MONOGRAM.

A long standing source of contention relative to the winning of the 'varsity monogram has just been settled by the Athletic Board of Control through their action this week in adopting rules setting forth the conditions under which the M. A. C. athletic emblem will be given out in future. Although in the past, there has been little if any dispute in the matter of who of the players on each athletic team is deserving to wear the monogram, it has placed a considerable responsibility on the captain and the coach who select the monogram men, and has left the matter open to contention should the question of a player's winning the monogram ever be brought up.

With the newly adopted rules athletes will know just how they stand at any time during the season with respect to the winning of the letter. The rules have been drawn with the

idea of giving a monogram to every man who is deserving without in any way cheapening the award.

The regulations in regard to 'varsity monograms were adopted by the Board of Control of Athletics, on recommendation of a special committee consisting of the four major sport captains and the director of athletics. The system used in some dozen of the western institutions was investigated and the plan adopted conforms very closely to that in use in most of the Western Conference schools. The following are the minimum requirements for the 'varsity letter:

**Football**—Participation through a full quarter of three or more major games or three quarters either of the Michigan or Notre Dame game or a game of equal rank.

**Baseball**—Participation through seven innings of three or more major games or for pitchers and catchers five innings of three major games or seven innings of three minor games.

**Track**—Winning of a first place or six points in a major dual meet, in the State Intercollegiate meet, or a score in the Western Conference meet or member of a relay team winning first in the State Intercollegiate meet, a major dual meet or placing among the first four in a Western Conference meet.

**Basketball**—Participation through one-half of three major games or one-fourth of at least five major games.

**Tennis**—Winning of a first place, singles or doubles, in at least five dual intercollegiate matches or placing in Western Conference. Members of tennis team each year will be awarded usual tennis emblems as distinct from 'varsity emblems.

**Cross Country**—Winning of one of first three places in State Intercollegiate run or one of first ten places in Western Conference run.

Awards will be made by the Board of Control of Athletics on above basis at the close of each season. Further regulations were also adopted as follows:

1. A man to be awarded the monogram must complete the season with the team unless prevented by accident or other unavoidable circumstances. Removal from squad by coach forfeits right of the monogram.

2. Monograms may be awarded other men than those coming under above regulations for any distinguished athletic service and to seniors who have been members of a squad for three years but who may have missed the full regulation by a small margin.

### STATE BOARD MINUTES.

On March 5th, 1919, the State Board of Agriculture met in the president's office. Those present were President Kedzie, Messrs. Woodman, Waterbury and Doherty.

The members present met with an

investigating committee of the House of Representatives and informally discussed matters relating to the college, after which the meeting was adjourned for lack of a quorum.

The regular March meeting of the State Board of Agriculture was held in the president's office on March 19, 1919.

Present were: President Kedzie, Messrs. Wallace, Graham, Doherty, Waterbury and Beaumont.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved without reading.

The bequest of Amand A. Ransom of the George L. Allen scholarship was accepted with fitting resolutions.

The secretary presented a resolution from the Poultry School of VanBuren county commending the work of Dr. L. E. Heasley.

The matter of selecting a person to whom the scholarship in French shall be offered, was referred to the president with power to act.

The matter of a summer graduate course in Farm Crops, as outlined by Prof. Cox, was referred to Dean Shaw for further information and recommendation.

The matter of sending Mr. Grantham to Madison, Wisconsin, for consultation in regard to extension field

work, was referred to the president with power to act.

The president presented a communication from Dean Shaw accompanied by a letter from R. B. Ogilvie, secretary of the American Clydesdale Association, giving notice of the gift of a Clydesdale stallion to the college by Mr. Houser, president of the American Clydesdale Association, and making certain recommendations. The gift of Mr. Houser was accepted with appreciation and the recommendation of Dean Shaw approved.

The resignations of Mr. C. W. McKibbin, alumni recorder, to take effect April 15th, of Earl Trangmar, publicity manager, to take effect April 1st, and of E. A. Armstrong, assistant professor of physics, to take effect April 1st, were accepted.

Miss Cowles was authorized to attend a conference in Kansas City, with all expenses paid.

The recommendations contained in a letter from Ashley M. Berridge, director of short courses, were approved. They asked that the State Board of Agriculture make the first week in February a permanent date for Farmers' week each year, and also that they set aside an appropri-

ation of \$2,500 for Farmers' Week expenses of 1920.

The fees recommended by Miss Edmonds, dean of home economics, for certain courses in domestic art were adopted.

Dr. Lyman was authorized to employ Judge Collingwood to deliver a course of lectures before the senior and junior veterinary students.

The secretary was directed to prepare a bill to be introduced in the legislature authorizing the State Board of Agriculture to sell to the East Lansing People's Church a building site upon the campus. It was directed that Mr. Olmsted of Boston, landscape gardener, be consulted in reference to the propriety of placing such a building upon the campus and as to its proper location.

Mr. Woodman was authorized to initial the January and February vouchers.

The recommendation of Major Wrightson that students be required to deposit the value of their uniforms before they are issued and that the same be refunded to them at the close of the spring term provided the articles are in his possession at the last prescribed formation of the corps, was approved.



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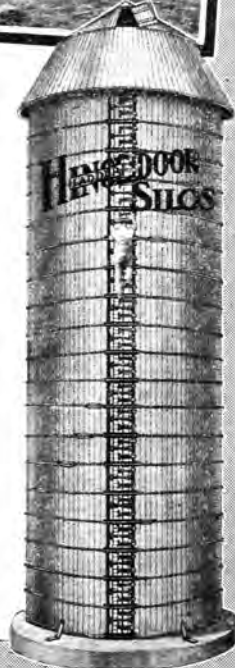
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The expense accounts of the Board members were approved.

Mr. Graham was authorized to initial the vouchers beginning with March.

On motion adjourned.

### WEDDINGS.

Clarence R. Oviatt, '16, and Miss Vera Gruner, '16, were married on March 31 at the bride's home at Coldwater. The Oviatts are at home at R. F. D. No. 4, Bay City.

The wedding of Ray H. Storm, '14, and Miss Eola Mercer of Jerome, Hillsdale county, took place on March 20. They are to be at home at Jerome, where Storm is engaged in farming.

### FURLONG '18, MEDAL OF HONOR WINNER, MEETS M. A. C. MEN IN GERMANY.

Lunebach, Germany,  
Feb. 27th, 1919.

Editor M. A. C. RECORD:

I wish to inform you that the report of my death in action as reported by the RECORD was grossly exaggerated. I am one of the healthiest specimens in the A. E. F. at present. I can hardly account for the circulation of this report, because at no time have I even reported to a hospital for treatment. However, it was a pretty good writeup you gave me, glad I could read it.

Things at M. A. C. seem to be gradually resuming their old pre-war status, although I suppose it will be a long time before they completely drop back into the old round of events. The war has certainly given our old Alma Mater a severe jolt, let us hope for the best. I think all the men in service are immensely proud of the wonderful response M. A. C. made to the nation's call for college men. Those old antagonists of military training at M. A. C. can see the purpose of the government in maintaining such institutions revealed in the part M. A. C. played in winning the war. Not only its course in military science but that old M. A. C. spirit of fighting to the end, the love of clean sports and warm fellowship has equipped M. A. C. men to lead an army life of comfort and enjoyment. We have found amusement in our games and pleasure in our ready ability to meet large numbers of men of all walks of life. M. A. C. has surely justified its existence.

I was recently back to France for about a month. At Chaumont I met Bob Raven, '18, who was in the hospital there for a slight ailment. Had a long talk with him. Also saw Lawson, '18, who was on his way to a division in the Army of Occupation. I understood him to say he had accepted a commission in the regular army, or at least had applied for one.

M. E. Bottomley is now a 2nd Lieut. in the Headquarters Company, 255th Infantry, one of the regiments of this division. Recently had a letter from him. He is not far from where I am stationed, but as yet have not seen him. C. H. Hillers is still at Nevers and writes frequently. He seems to think he will have to stay here some time yet. Harold Parks, '18, is with a Guard Company at Nevers and was acting Regimental Adjutant when I saw him late in January.

This army of occupation is some life. My battalion is billeted in two very small villages, about fifty kilometers north of Treves. The most exciting event of the day is the passage of the motorcycle courier or the arrival of the ration cart. The people are all very poor, constituting the peasant class which is one of the results of the vicious system of government under which this country has lived for centuries. The houses are all squalid stone cottages, often with thatched roofs. Modern farm machinery is almost unknown, it being a common sight to pass a door of one of these combination barn and house affairs and see the men aided by women flailing wheat. A crude cream separator is common. The use of oxen is very extensive, and to see the women spinning is not at all unusual. But if this part of Germany is a little slow agriculturally, its larger towns and cities are surprisingly modern and wonderfully American-like. Treves is very much like an American city of the same size. The streets are clean, well paved, and the stores are prosperous and employ much the same tactics to entice buyers (with the possible exception of fire sales) as our own.

Hope you will continue to send the RECORD as its receipt every week is an event eagerly awaited. Regards to all,

HAROLD A. FURLONG,  
1st Lieut. 353d Infantry,  
A. P. O. 761, Am. E. F.

### COMMENTS ON "FEEDING" BY A 17ER IN THE "A. OF O."

Sayn, Germany, Feb. 25, 1919.

Editor M. A. C. RECORD:

A copy of the RECORD has just recently come to my hands and I had a great laugh over Howdy Rather's description of how it seemed to be "in on the finish." I think if I had read it several days ago I would have died happy for at that time I had the mumps and couldn't grin to save my soul.

My experience since my transfer to the 32d Division last September have been largely the same as those of many others and I will not crowd your columns with them. However, since I am essentially an Ag at heart I couldn't help making some observations which I hope may be of value to stock feeders. To be more explicit—mule feeders. I have heard of

mules eating blankets, gas masks and the spokes from wagon wheels but I was rather surprised one day to find 4 mules eating the boards away from around several hundred hand grenades. When I arrived on the scene a still small voice told me that I should allow them to eat all they desired for forage in quantities sufficient for mules was hard to obtain and the thought flashed through my head that if I let them eat a little more our feeding troubles would soon be put to an end. In view of my observations I desire to raise the question (and Prof. Brown's ire) if a few hand grenades were judiciously added to nearly any animal's ration wouldn't it shorten the feeding period considerably? It seems that this hint could be used by the cattle raisers of the future.

In my wanderings around this division I have met many M. A. C. men. Jas. McDonald, '12E, was at one time my company commander. Since I am dependent on him for RECORDS I won't give him away. Sufficient to say that he is now on the colonel's staff. Marshall Guelfuss, '20E, is in our company and he turns the pages while I tell them about M. A. C. Cheal, '19E, was one of my victims while I acted as a divisional machine gun instructor. Other M. A. C. men I have met are DePrato, Sargent, Kushwa, Anderson and Bunny Warren. The division is full of M. A. C. men but I cannot recall all of their names.

I am glad to note that Miss Lou Butler has been so thoughtful as to continue the alumni work for the class of '17, in the absence of the fellows appointed by the class. Such acts will be greatly appreciated by those of us who hope to be on the campus soon, at that much-talked of '17 reunion. At present we are much elated over a recent G. H. G. order putting May 1st as our sailing date.

Regards to all former classmates and friends from

LT. LLOYD R. LEAVITT, '17a.

From Major Frank R. Parker, '09, "Turk," U. S. Infantry, Monthou-sur-Cher, A. P. O. 727, Amer. E. F.:

The writer has been fortunate in having seen considerable of France, especially the part indicated on some maps with a heavy red line. I landed at the Havre last May and went up into the Somme country. Six weeks were spent in the British training area, part of the time with a British machine gun company with an Australian unit on its right flank. This gave me a chance to observe what is probably the finest looking and best fighting body of troops that have engaged in the war. June 18th we reached Toul and trained about two weeks, then went into the line. From July 2d until October 30th my old company was out of Hun artillery range just seven days. We did one

tour in advance positions of twenty-eight days.

August 15th we moved to the Marbach sector, which is opposite Metz, and were the right pivot of the St. Mihiel drive. After October 6th we rambled up through Apemont, Mountblainville, Fleville, Corney, St. Juvin, Champigneulle. The going was very hard in spots, traffic kept the roads blocked and the artillery could not keep up with the infantry. After the Hun line of four years standing was once past our infantry did not need an artillery barrage to attack with. A little thirty calibre ammunition and machine guns, some hard tack and bully beef was all the equipment needed by our doughboys. Our boys had morale and then some. It was wonderful. As a company commander I used to speculate as to what our men would do in a real long, hard fight. They far surpassed my fondest hopes.

Received my majority October 18th. At that time there were seven men and one officer left in my original company and the best machine gun outfit that ever went over the top in a fight. But with only seven men left it was still a company. Never will I cease to praise the morale of the doughboy.

No doubt you will read in the newspapers about the conditions at St. Aignan, Brest and other base camps. Most of the complaining comes from the casual camps. It is a fact that St. Aignan would not be chosen by many persons as a place to spend their vacations but it isn't as bad as the papers say. A casual officer, or one without a command is liable to be demoralized. That accounts for many of the complaints which are being given publicity.

The American soldier, either drafted or volunteer, is the best fighter in Europe today. Our high command has made mighty few mistakes. Our engineering troops have done wonderful work. I have no complaint to make about our army, especially the old regular army contingent, but I have been away from my native land too long. I want to come back to the United States and civil life.

THE DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY of the M. A. C. experiment station is preparing to make a shipment of 73,500 tree seedlings to Ottawa, Muskegon and Newaygo counties for planting on the sand dunes in some of the western Michigan districts. The infant trees will be set out on the dunes to determine the feasibility of this procedure for checking the shifting dune sands. County agricultural agents, with representatives of the M. A. C. department of forestry, will direct the work. The shipment of seedlings will be about equally divided among Ottawa, Newaygo and Muskegon counties. The kind of trees that will be planted will be white pine, spruce, jack pine, white ash and silver maple.

J. A. Polson, formerly head of the mechanical engineering department, who has just left the college to enter manufacturing work at Milwaukee, is living there at 435 Layton Boulevard.



## Alumni Notes



'95.

H. R. Smith, Live Stock Commissioner of the Chicago Live Stock Exchange, has just issued a report of the sanitary committee of the Exchange on their activities and progress in the eradication of tuberculosis in cattle and hogs during the year ending January, 1918. It contains a memorial to congress in behalf of future legislation for the eradication of bovine tuberculosis that was unanimously passed by representatives of cattle registry associations in convention assembled, in Chicago, December 2, 1918. Mr. Smith was chairman of the committee to draft the resolutions asking Congress for \$2,000,000 for the Bureau of Animal Industry to continue the work. Smith is president of the National Agricultural Society.

'98.

Jeannette Carpenter Wheeler is living at 400 East Cortland Place San Antonio, Texas, "where any M. A. C. person is welcome."

William W. Taylor, with, is a colonel on the general staff at Washington, D. C., address care the War College. He was made colonel while acting with the chief of the staff of 7th Division in France. He returned to America December 21st, and since that time he has been on the general staff at Washington.

'00.

John R. Thompson, formerly with the interstate commerce commission in Chicago, is in France with the Headquarters Transportation Service, A. P. O. 747, American E. F. Since he has been in France he has been connected with the Headquarters Transportation service of the zone of advance with headquarters at Commercy and has "enjoyed a most interesting experience. He is serving as a captain of engineers having received his commission last October.

'01.

The New York State College of Forestry at Syracuse University of which Hugh P. Baker is dean, is just announcing short courses in paper and pulp making, dry kiln engineering, and timber grading, which are to be given April 15, to June 1. There is apparently a great demand for men with experience in paper making and inasmuch as the College of Forestry is located in the center of a considerable paper and pulp manufacturing district, the State College of Forestry has very exceptional facilities for offering such courses.

An attractively printed and practical booklet of forty-four pages entitled, "Grow A Vegetable Garden" comes from J. H. Prost, Agricultural Extension

Agent for the International Harvester Company. The book is of a popular nature and is very profusely illustrated. Prost says, "There should be a garden for every home in America. We must put our idle land to work. We must feed ourselves." The booklet may be secured from the International Harvester Company, Agricultural Extension Department, Harvester Bldg., Chicago, Ill.

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'03.

Edna V. Smith and Horace Norton at M. A. C. are working out plans for the '03 reunion at the coming commencement. They have enlisted the services of several other leading '03 men and women and are making arrangements for a big gathering of the class.

'06.

L. J. Smith, professor of Agricultural Engineering of the Manitoba Agricultural College at Winnipeg, is keen for alumni notes. He writes that "after a glance at the items on the first page I always turn to read the news items of the classes from '03 to '08 and cannot help but feel a bit of disappointment if there is nothing from those whom I knew so well in the old college days. If we would only send a little news item twice a year our own interest in the Records would leap a pace. I recently received a visit from Walter Small, '08, former football captain, who is now with an elevator construction company at the twin cities of Thunder Bay, Port Arthur and Fort William, Ontario.

J. E. Poole, of the educational division of the Emergency Fleet Corporation, has left the government organization to become production engineer for the David Luptons Sons Co. of Philadelphia. His street address is 253 North Broad street, Philadelphia.

'07.

H. I. Glazier, Captain in the Construction Division of the Quartermaster Corps., has been discharged from service after eight months service in Washington as assistant to the supervising construction quartermaster. He has returned to his old position as district sales manager of the General Fireproofing Company and remarks that he will be very glad to see any of the boys in Chicago where his address is 325 W. Madison st. While in service Captain Glazier had charge of the construction on middle western camps. This work at the time of the signing of the armistice amounted to approximately \$50,000,000.

'09.

Plans for the tenth anniversary reunion are going forward rapidly. '09ers in Detroit and Lansing are engineering the celebration but they are receiving plenty of encouragement from those of other parts.

"Chan" Taylor of the Insecticide Division of the Kentucky Tobacco Product Company of Louisville is the designer of a spray chart that according to reports has a faculty for "sticking" in all of the county agents' offices throughout Michigan. Some one remarked that it must be a mighty good chart or it could not "stick" there.

Stowell C. Stebbins (with) captain in the Quartermaster Corps, sailed last month from San Francisco for Honolulu for temporary duty at the Hawaiian Department Supply Depot.

Capt. Frank Emery (with) has just

returned from England and was on his way to his home in Winnipeg recently when he visited A. W. Wilson '07 at Toronto. Capt. Emery served over three years in a Canadian Engineering Battalion. Since the first of the year he has been in an English hospital as the result of an old wound. Wilson '07 remarks that from Emery's appearance he must have had unusually good treatment. Capt. Emery's address is 274 Langside St., Winnipeg.

'10.

Edward M. Burd who was senior instructor of orientation in the Coast Artillery Training Camp at Ft. Monroe, was discharged from service April 8, and returned to civil engineering "presumably as designer and salesman for the Blaw-Knox Co., of Pittsburgh, Pa." Burd was commissioned as captain November 27, 1917, at the coast artillery school.

'11.

J. W. Applin, "Peg," has moved from 1718 Garland Ave. to 113 Clarendon avenue, Detroit, Mich.

Alexander MacVittie, county agricultural agent at Caro, Michigan, is spending a few weeks in Maine where he is recuperating from a condition of ill health brought on by overwork.

Charles P. Thomas, with the Reo Motor Car Company at Lansing, is in charge of the company's physical and chemical testing laboratories. He lives at 1107 Lee street.

'12.

F. L. Barrows, formerly with the Square D. Company of Detroit, manufacturers of electrical safety devices, has just accepted a position as assistant superintendent of the Markham Air Rifle Company of Plymouth, Mich.

Charles H. Dickinson, superintendent of construction of the Detroit Edison Company, is building an extension on Power House No. 2 at the Delray Plant, which will house one 30,000 K. W. G. E. horizontal generator with auxiliaries. The Dickinsons live at 46 Blaine Ave.

Edwin Smith was made Ensign U. S. N. R. F. early in March and has been released from active duty to take up his former work with the U. S. Department of Agriculture. His residence address is 1348 Girard St., N. W., Washington, D. C.

Charles A. Stahl, formerly superintendent of the sulphuric acid plant of the Ductown Sulphur, Copper and Iron Co. of Isabella, Tenn., is spending a short time at the college taking special work in industrial chemistry.

I. R. Browning was a member of the S. A. T. C. at Rush Medical College and at the same time belonged to the Medical Reserve Corps. He graduates from Rush this spring.

'13.

T. F. Blomquist who has been with Company L, 345th Infantry, Camp Pike, Arkansas, has been discharged from service and is now in Manistique, Mich.

"Sam" Brice is "still with P. I. Allen making the world more beautiful and a better place to live in and that is about all you could expect from a pair like us." He lives at 301 Laburnum Crescent, Rochester, N. Y.

Irving J. Woodin is sales manager for the L. H. Pepper Company at Los Angeles with headquarters at 234 Wholesale Terminal Building.

C. H. Taylor and Mrs. Taylor are receiving congratulations upon the arrival of a boy on March 2, who "will be a candidate for the team about 1939." The Taylors are living at Upper Marlboro, Md., where he is county agricultural agent.

Nell G. Favorite lives at 1676 5th Ave., Huntington, W. Va.

A. E. Warner, with the Bureau of Markets, U. S. Department of Agriculture, is now stationed at Port Huron and lives at 1213 Wall St.

M. H. Moore directs a change of address from Woonsocket, R. I., to 246 E. Bethune Ave., Detroit, Michigan.

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R. F. Irvin is assistant advertising manager with the Square D. Company of Detroit, manufacturers of electrical safety devices.

James Seibert was discharged from Camp Custer on February 1, and is now at 300 West C street, Iron Mountain. Seibert was a first lieutenant and served as an instructor in bayonet work and the automatic rifle school at Camp Custer.

Mr. and Mrs. Corwin Armstrong (Sophie Dodge) are moving to Cleveland, Ohio. Corwin Armstrong, formerly an instructor in the English department, has just been discharged from service in the Quartermaster Corps and has accepted a position as advertising manager of the Cleveland

Press. Armstrong was a lieutenant and served on the Mexican border and in southern camps.

<sup>16.</sup>  
T. B. Dimmick has been released from service and is a road engineer, with the State Highway Department, at Lansing. He lives at 610 Townsend St.

<sup>17.</sup>  
George H. Dettling, Ensign U. S. N. R. F. with the Gallaudet Aircraft Corp., at East Greenwich, R. I., had the pleasure of meeting several M. A. C. men last Tuesday upon their arrival from overseas with the 85th Division, Lieutenant "China" Clark, '16, Lieut. Beak, '17, Capt. Huestis, '17, all with the 328th Field Artillery. Maurice Jewitt, '18, was left at the Base Hospital at Brest. He also saw Captain Doctor Landon of East Lansing, also with the 328th Field Artillery now at Camp Mills, and Lieutenant Blake Miller, '16. Dettling expects to be released soon and to return for commencement.

Victor McCall is a sergeant with Field Hospital Number 35, Sanitary Train, American E. F. France. He was in the zone of the advance from September 9 until the signing of the armistice. He recently visited Italy, Switzerland and southern France on furlough.

Earl A. R. Laufer early in March was made a corporal of Sqdn. M, Ellington Field, Houston, Texas, and is in charge of the armory at that field. Laufer writes: "At the armory we are handling about a half dozen guns a day, whereas at the time of the armistice we were handling nearer sixty or seventy. The flying isn't as brisk as it was a few months ago. A big twin-motored Handley Paige came in last week. It sure is some big bird, the ailerons alone being as big as the wing of a Curtis. Take my advice and never accuse anyone from the United States, who has been here for training, as being in the "Sunny South."

Ensign George H. Dettling, U. S. N. R. F., expects to secure his release from active service about May 1st, and also hopes at this time to be able to pay a visit to East Lansing. His address now is Navy Inspection Office, Gallaudet Aircraft Corp., East Greenwich, R. I. He writes of having met Taylor, '15, while in Providence. Taylor is engaged in promoting co-operative farmers' associations.

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