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PLANS FOR THE WEEK.

Plans for the celebration have moved along very nicely. The program as heretofore planned will be carried out with very few changes. A representative from Washington was here last week and O. K. had the arrangements for the Roosevelt meeting. He favored an outside meeting both for the reason that it would be more democratic and also insure greater safety to both the president and spectators. It has, therefore, been decided that if the weather permits the address will be given outside; if not, it will be given in the tent as previously arranged.

It will be necessary to begin the Friday morning session promptly on time, and as this is the real jubilee meeting, the usual custom observed on such occasions will be followed out. A procession consisting of students, faculty, delegates and alumni will be formed on the campus and will march to the tent. Students, on this occasion, will not be required to wear uniforms; but as the student body at this time will be under observation by the delegates from other institutions, every one will, of course, be in his place.

This procession should be ready to move at 8:45 and be seated in the tent at 9:00 o'clock. This will be necessary in order that the morning program may be over before President Roosevelt and his party arrives on the grounds. The president is expected to reach the college any time from 11:30 to 11:45, the trip from Lansing being made in autos, and will then be entertained at luncheon by President and Mrs. Snyder. At 1:30 the battalion will form and march to the lawn in front of President Snyder's residence.

At two o'clock, as President Roosevelt comes from the house the battalion will present arms and immediately form two lines leading to the platform between which the president and party will march. A place will be reserved for the battalion, but it will be necessary for all holding tickets to keep them whether the address is given outside or in the tent.

After the president's address the degrees will be conferred upon the graduating class. A number of honorary degrees will also be conferred. The president and his party will leave at once for Lansing and will depart at 4:15 via Lake Shore.

There are to be four companies of state militia and one company of cavalry here to handle the crowds so that every protection possible may be given. If it is a fine day ample opportunity will be given to from ten to fifteen thousand people to hear the president's address.

ATHLETICS.

ARMOUR 35—M. A. C. 82.

In spite of the cold rainy weather on Saturday the meet with Armour was a success. M. A. C. did herself proud winning by a large majority of points. Small broke his own

record in the high hurdle, Burroughs in the shot put, and Oviatt in the half and Bignell in the quarter tied the previous college records made by Meek and Moon. We were never better fixed for middle distance men than now, and things look good for Field Day, June 7-8. The winners on Saturday were as follows, Armour (A. I.) men only being designated:

100 yard dash—McKaran, A. I., Griffin, Phippeny. Time, 10 3-5.

Pole vault—Gongwer and Gilbert tie, Small third, all M. A. C. 9 ft 9 in.

120 yd. hurdle—Small, McKenna, Stadeker, A. I. Time, 16 4-5.

Shot put—Burroughs, Benson, A. I., McKenna. 36 ft. 11 in.

Half mile—Oviatt, Bignell, Bohn, all M. A. C. Time, 2:52-5.

High jump—Ellett, A. I., Fitch, A. I. and Allen tied at 5 ft. 4 in.

220 yd. dash—Griffin, McKaran, A. I., Phippeny. Time, 24 sec.

Discus—Burroughs, McKenna, Campbell, all M. A. C. Distance, 94 ft.

220 yd. hurdle—Tregay, A. I., Pearsall, Hotchkio, A. I. Time, 27 1-5 sec.

Broad jump—Fitch, A. I., Small, Ellett, A. I. Distance, 20 ft 7 in.

440 yard run—Bignell, Fregay, A. I., Griffin. Time, 53 seconds.

Hammer throw—Wheeler, McKenna, Benson, A. I. Distance, 103 ft. 6 in.

Mile run—Waite and Carr tied, Frisbie, A. I., third. Time, 5 min.

The baseball games with both Hillsdale and Albion were called off on account of rain. And now for the University on Wednesday at 4 o'clock. We must win.

On Saturday, June 1, the last home game will be played with Olivet and on that afternoon will occur also the triangular meet—M. A. C.—Albion—Olivet. These are the strong teams in the intercollegiate and will be one of the very best meets of the year.

APPRECIATION.

An effort was made to arrange for a reception at the Women's Building for the benefit of our successful debating team, but due to the fact that there is so much going on at the present time in preparation for the semi-centennial week, such attempts had to be given up. It is safe to say, however, that the student body appreciates very highly the work done by the debaters, and shares with them the laurels of victory. Next year, it is hoped that greater interest will be taken in the intercollegiate debate. There is no reason why M. A. C. cannot repeat the victory again next year for we have some strong debaters. Two of this year's team will be back next year.

The Massachusetts College celebrates its 40th anniversary during commencement week, June 14-19.

JUBILEE WOLVERINE.

The Junior Annual is now a reality and will no doubt be the topic of conversation for at least the remainder of the term. The members of the faculty are the first to receive attention, some appropriate remark following the title of each. Following these are the regulation pictures of the literary societies with history of each, mention of the various clubs and a number of very good original poems and short stories. The "grinds" are plentiful and the man at the crank has spared none.

The book will form a valuable souvenir for the students in College the past year, and the price of \$1.25 should bring it within the reach of all. No doubt many of our alumni and former students here for the week will want a copy and we predict that during the week the 1,000 copies will go rather quickly. The members of the class deserve great credit for the work they have accomplished and we extend our congratulations. The work is dedicated to the alumni of old M. A. C., a fitting dedication at this particular time.

MEALS AND LUNCHESES.

Arrangements have been made whereby it is hoped every one present this week may be able to secure meals. Meal tickets may be secured at the lunch tent at which place sandwiches, pies, bananas, oranges, baked beans, etc., may be purchased. Meals may be secured—at clubs, A., E., and G., Williams Hall; B., Abbott; C.; Women's Building, and special for visitors at Wells Hall as follows: Breakfast, 7 to 8:30 a. m. at 25 cents; dinner, 12 to 2 p. m. at 35 cents; and supper, 5 to 7 p. m., 25 cents.

In addition to above, breakfast from 7 to 9 and dinners from 5 to 7 p. m. will be served on the second floor of the Women's building at the rate of 50 cents each.

with '90

A. E. Hart, '86-'88, Denver, is known as an expert stenographer and is the official reporter of the Moyer Haywood trial at Boise, Idaho.

'80.

W. W. Remington, '80, is a successful teacher of Denver. Instructor in the high school and generally active in educational matters.

'83.

A. F. Kinnan, '83, is chief examiner, Division of Electricity, patent office, and has been for a number of years. A responsible position acceptably filled.

With '00.

On June 1 will occur the marriage of Miss Grace Lundy, with above class to Dr. Drolet, in Detroit. Both young people are former residents of Lansing and will locate in that city after the marriage.

ALUMNI.

'79

Prof. L. G. Carpenter, '79, Fort Collins, Colorado, has been east to New York and Washington three times during the winter, twice as expert on the Kansas-Colorado Institute Irrigation suit and once as umpire arbitrator on a technical suit submitted to arbitration. The other two arbitrators were from New York City. He comes direct from Brownsville, Texas, where he has been in a professional capacity going into Texas on the private train of a large number of high railroad officials.

'91.

President K. L. Butterfield, of Mass., gave the first annual rural progress lecture at the Western State Normal School, Kalamazoo, on Friday evening. From there he went to Chicago, where he attended a meeting of the western alumni of Mass. Agricultural College on Saturday evening. His subject at Kalamazoo was, "The Social Factors in Rural Progress."

'97.

Announcement has been received of the birth of Florence Genevieve to Mr. and Mrs. George A. Parker. Mr. Parker was a graduate of the above class and is now Mechanical Electrical Engineer for the Brown Hoisting Machinery Co., of Cleveland, Ohio. His private address is 1341 82nd St. N. E.

With '02.

We are indebted to Mrs. Alice Hadley Wise, '03, for the following item: Mrs. F. J. Klooz, (Edna Deyarmond, with '02,) died on Jan. 12, of consumption, at Ft. Morgan, Colorado, where she and her husband went three years ago, for her health. The body was sent back for burial to the old home at Lewiston, Mich.

'03.

Prof. and Mrs. W. J. Carrel, of Lexington, Ky., announce the birth of Lucile Yeates Carrel on May 2, 1907. Mr. Carrel is now professor of Civil Engineering at the Kentucky State College at Lexington. Mr. Carrel was instructor in mathematics at M. A. C. for one year following his graduation in 1903.

'05.

ATLANTA, Ga., May 20, '07.
Editor M. A. C. RECORD:

Unable to be present at the Jubilee, I still have enough interest in the "Old Place" for a desire to see the announcements for that great event, and am returning to the fold by enclosing herewith the price for the RECORD. Am at present chemist for the Swift Fertilizer Works, which accounts for my residence in the Sunny South. My kindest regards to all at M. A. C., and with fond recollections of cherished memories that shall always linger, I am,
Very respectfully,

E. G. KENNY, '05.

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THE RECORD extends hearty welcome to the many alumni and friends of the college who are here to participate in the celebration of our 50th anniversary. To those who are unable to be with us we desire to give a good report of the exercises in next week's number. Among other things let us have a complete roster by classes of those present. This will give to the boys and girls at home a knowledge of how each class was represented, an item in which they will surely be interested. We are sure that students and faculty alike will unite in an endeavor to make this season one of the most enjoyable and by our visitors one long to be remembered.

BACCALAUREATE.

In spite of the storm on Sunday, a large audience was present to hear the baccalaureate exercises. The order of service as given in our last issue did not include the quartette by Misses Porter and Stretch and Messrs. Webber and Schroetter which was certainly enjoyed very much. The music throughout was exceptionally good and we feel that we were extremely fortunate in securing Miss Stretch of Ann Arbor and Miss Porter of Lansing to aid in the singing at this time. The sermon by Mathew Henry Buckingham, D. D., L. L. D., President of the University of Vermont, is published herewith:

SERMON

II Samuel vii, 8. Thus saith the Lord of Hosts, I took thee from the sheepcote from following the sheep, to be ruler over my people.

This is so frequent an occurrence in human experience, the calling of men from the sheepcote to national leadership, that it has become a common-place of moralists. But it never ceases to be an impressive fact, and may well be studied for the instruction with which it is charged. The callings of Divine Providence rest on good reasons which we may well seek to discover. Why are shepherds of sheep so often called to be kings of men?

I.—Let us try to get the essential out of that which is incidental in the fact under review. The pastoral calling stands for much in itself. It is human life as first organized—

social life in its freshness and simplicity. Idealized in after ages it inspires the poetry of the idyl and the pastoral. When life becomes luxurious and corrupt a Tacitus or a Rousseau recalls the pastoral life to men's imagination, and it becomes the fashion to mimic its simplicity and innocence. But that which is good in the pastoral life takes on a larger good in the more developed agricultural life with its fixed homes, its seed time and harvests, its granaries and fruits. God calls men to leadership also from the furrow, from the harvest field, from the garden and the vineyard. And we cannot stop here. From every humble calling in life men have been advanced to high station—from fishing and tent-making, from type-setting and rail-splitting, from the tanner's vat and the shoe-maker's bench, from the sailing craft and the ferry boat, from opening and shutting of a steam valve, from a hundred arts and industries. And was not the world's supreme leader taken from the bench of the carpenter?

But we should make a great, though common mistake if we should conclude from these facts that the larger life is a soil in which the masterful virtues cannot grow. This life also has furnished to mankind its share of leaders. The noble families of the nations have had their representatives in the fields where great deeds have been wrought. "Noblesse oblige" has been not only a cry but a power. We look especially to this life for certain qualities essential to the highest manhood, for what we call the chivalrous qualities, courtesy, refinement, a delicate sense of the respect due to others, toleration, frankness, charity. But these are councils of perfection not fundamental principles, flowers rather than roots of character. A man can have them and not be a leader. The prime, essential, indispensable virtues and qualities which make strong and prevailing manhood and womanhood are of another order. What are they? Why do we look for them, why does God himself seem to find them more frequently in some callings than in others, and how can we retain them as life becomes more complex and artificial?

II.—We shall very soon in this quest, I think, reach the conclusion that what we call character depends largely on the existence and paramountcy of a few simple primordial virtues which are within the reach of all, not dependent on special gifts or opportunities. They are:

1.—The economic virtues, industry, thrift, sobriety, including also an instinctive and persistent horror of waste, waste of substance, of time, of opportunity, of life, of self.

2.—Next are the domestic virtues—love of kin, fidelity to home and friends and neighbors, the respect of the sexes for each other and the sanctity of marriage.

3.—Again, the patriotic virtues.

4.—And, crowning all, the religious virtues, those which have their source in religion, and especially in what the Scriptures call the fear of God, which does not mean dread of God, terror in the thought of God—and yet is not the same as the love of God which is a high attainment, the outcome of a experience and reflection and prayer—but that primary right feeling toward God which is made up of awe and reverence and devoutness—the feeling

toward God which men have who get their religion from nature and much personal thought and the spirit of God, rather than from books and human teachings. Other environments are favorable to other types of religion—beautiful types some of them, the ascetic, the contemplative, the mystic—but the religion which tends to make men staunch, robust in practical affairs, good at need, good in all winds and weather, is the kind which comes through the experiences of shepherds and tent-makers and fishermen.

III. But the youths that have had this training in the pastoral and home-bred virtues, can they keep it in the larger life which opens before them? No doubt the life of freedom and opportunity endangers these virtues. They were never more sympathetically portrayed than in the "Cottar's Saturday Night," and yet Burns went out from such a home to encounter the temptations of luxurious society and to fall before them. The son of the man whom God called from the sheepcote to leadership, lost the fundamental virtues of which we have spoken—lost his strenuous manhood and became a voluptuary—lost domestic virtue—lost national pride and loyalty in a lax cosmopolitanism—lost the fear of God—and in consequence descended from the high place he ought to have kept to be a roue, a cynic, a trifle, a virtuoso in "ivory and apes and peacocks." Men doubtless moralized on it as men do now, and said, "See what has befallen the son of the man whom God called from the sheepcote to be leader of Israel, and know that wealth and prosperity and power are not good for man; they ensnare and corrupt him, it were better for him to have followed the sheep."

But is this so? Is such moralizing just? Were it not strange that God has made this life full of things of beauty and made us eager to get them—has made us capable of manifold lovely arts and high adornments, and enrichments of life and made these things the rewards of virtue, of earnest striving and patient well doing, and then has put his curse on them and made them agencies for our corruption and undoing? Shall we bid the shepherd lad remain in his sheepcote, the blacksmith stick to his forge, the poet live on in his cottage, lest in the great world they come to grief?

No—but we will say—"Be the King if you can, but be the Shepherd King. Be the U. S. Senator if you can, but keep the virtues of the blacksmith's home in the Senatorial life. When you feel that the society around you is growing artificial and intercourse is insincere and everything sophisticated and unreal, go back and get in touch again with the simpler and more genuine life out of which you came. As the Queen used to go to Balmoral and sit by the ingle of her humble cottagers and learn useful lessons of life; as Mr. Lincoln loved to have a chat with one of the plain men from whom he came; as every wise statesman consults with his constituents back in the country homes; as the divine, learned in rabbinical and patristic lore gets some of his best divinity and his sermons by talking with his sexton or his gardener—so it is good, it is wholesome to the mind, and sanitary to the soul, for every one to keep connection with that life, whatever it

may be, which is nearest to nature and reality.

Again we will bid our young aspirants cherish the spirit of youth and cling to the best things gained in youth. Wordsworth wished that his days should be joined each to each in natural piety. It were good for us all that the best of each period of life should pass on to the next. It were good to keep as long as possible the ideality of youth. There is for instance the college idealism. One who has had the great privilege of being a member of a college has a tie which binds him to the conception of life for which a college stands. And then there are one's church relations. Most right-minded young persons in these times enter into church relations. They do this in those youthful years when conscience is tender and active, when the heart readily responds to the appeals of Divine love, and the will rejoices in acts of holy obedience. It is good to hold fast to this early faith. It is not a sign of superiority to lose it for it is usually lost by neglect. In these stirring times when the trumpet is ever ringing out the challenge who is on the Lord's side, it is good to feel that this question is decided, that one is committed, and pledged, and can be counted on in the good enterprises in which the Christian church is leader.

And this brings us to say finally, let us cultivate a religion which puts due emphasis on the ethical and practical side of human life. I do not plead for an undue emphasis on this side—to the disparagement of the imagination, the emotional, the mystic elements in the religious life—those which make men devout and unworldly and saintly. But, strange as it may sound, these are the easier attainments in religion. It was easier for Solomon to make that sublime prayer at the dedication of the temple than to live a blameless life. It is easier for any of us to be pious than to be honest. But hard as it is to be honest, to be true to that in us and above which is deepest and highest and best, it is easier with religion than without it. To bring heavenly natives down to help us in the discharge of earthly duties of one of the holiest offices of religion. Therefore let the man whose integrity is in danger of being overborne by conventionalities seek aid in a religion which is strongly realistic—which never gets away from the fear of God—which can sing and soar with St. Paul in the Epistle to the Ephesians and the 13th of Corinthians but never let go of the sermon on the Mount and the Epistle of James—which so requires hard work during six days, that Sunday will be welcomed as a day of real rest—which sympathizes with and blesses men who use tools and ply manual arts—which mellows and sanctifies the cares and troubles, joys and sorrows of family and kindred, friends and neighbors—which calls no human art or relation common which it can fill with its blessing and so make holy. Thus in great cities, amid civilization, however splendid, in society, however luxurious, ministered to by all the arts, beset by all the corruptions of modern life, young men and maidens may keep themselves as simple, and pure, and true-hearted, and strong as in the days of antique virtues and may add thereto the new powers and facilities for living which the new civilization, essen-

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ABOUT THE CAMPUS.

LOST — Ring and two keys. Please return to secretary's office.

Mr. W. R. Lynn of Grand Rapids called on G. B. Kamps last Tuesday.

Prof. Taft is receiving a visit from his mother, Mrs. Austin Taft, of Massachusetts.

The librarian respectfully requests that all books belonging to the library be returned on or before May 31. This does not apply to books drawn for department use.

The P. M. railway are to run special trains from the city to the College grounds every half hour on Friday, which will help materially in handling the large crowds on that day.

Mrs. Cornelia S. Perry, of Elk Rapids, is here for the Semi-Centennial. She has been spending the past week with her daughter Mabel, in Lansing, and son Neal at the college.

M. A. C. girls who go to Albion for the Field Day exercises will be entertained free of charge by the Albion Association on Friday night for lodging and at breakfast Saturday morning.

The loop at the terminus of the street car line is now a reality and it is believed will save much valuable time this week. The worst feature it would seem are the unsightly guy poles.

Dr. Blaisdell spoke in chapel Friday morning on Roosevelt. He mentioned several incidents in his

early life, of his college days at Harvard, and something of the beginning of his college career.

W. L. Hart, '07, has accepted a position as manager of a large fruit and poultry farm near Holland, his work to begin July 1. There are about 10,000 fruit trees on the farm, and several hundred fowls are raised annually.

H. B. Weeks '07 will be with D. M. Ferry Co. this summer. Mr. Weeks is interested in plant breeding as applied to seed growing and selection and will be on the large seed farm of Mr. Ferry near Rochester, Mich.

The Union Literary society have elected the following officers for next fall term: Pres., R. J. Carr; Vice Pres., H. H. Harrison; Sec., Glen Burkhart; Treas., C. J. Oviatt; Record Ed., R. P. Holdsworth; Janitor, C. C. Taylor.

The military inspection by Capt. Penn passed off very nicely on Wednesday. It rained all the forenoon, but stopped until the inspection was over, then began again in earnest. This made 22 inspections made by Capt. Penn and about the only rainy day he had experienced.

The seven copies of the *Bubble*, the first college paper printed, have been bound and a number of blank leaves have also been included. It is hoped that during the week those of our alumni and students who were in college during the early years especially will place their autograph in this book.

Hon. Victor Johnson, a representative of the Swedish government, was the guest of Prof. Smith one day the past week. He is in this country studying American machinery and American methods. He was shown over the experimental plots and in the evening Prof. Smith took him to the mass meeting in the Armory. He was delighted with the music and singing, but the yells nearly took him off his feet. He left here for Canada where he had been directed by the government.

Mr. G. Reutter has just made a purchase from the college of twenty head of fat cattle. These are what are known as baby beeves, having attained the weight of about 1,000 pounds at 18 months of age. They consist of two lots of experimental cattle individual record having been kept from birth to the present time, in which two methods of beef production have been employed. The animals have made good gains, have acquired prime finish and will furnish the college people and citizens of Lansing with a fine article of beef during the semi-centennial week.

The caucus and registration of East Lansing will, it is expected, be held June 1.

Delegates, alumni and old students are beginning to flock in, and by tomorrow morning the great majority of visitors will have arrived.

M. A. C. is not the only community to receive attention this

week Lansing is decorating in fine shape for the great event of Friday.

WEDNESDAY.

On Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock in the tent, will occur the addresses under the division of "The College and the State."

At 2:00 p. m. in the assembly tent will occur one of the most interesting sessions. "The Builders of the College" will be the subject and the speakers those who were prominent in the early college history. The big base ball game will be held at four o'clock on the athletic field and in the evening in the big tent will be given the oratorio "Elijah."

THURSDAY.

The addresses relating to land grant colleges will be given in the assembly tent at 9:00 o'clock Thursday. This will be followed at 11:00 by the business meeting of alumni. At 12:00 o'clock luncheon to alumni followed by alumni literary exercises.

Memorial Day exercises preceded by battalion parade will be held at 4:00 p. m. in the tent. Hon. Washington Gardner, M. C., will deliver the address.

In the evening at 8:00 o'clock will occur the illumination of campus, students parade, bonfire, etc., followed at 9:00 o'clock by the reception to delegates, alumni and friends of the College.

tially a Christian civilization, has put into their hands for the adornment and enrichment of their lives.

ADDRESS TO THE CLASS.

Members of the Graduating Class: I suppose it would be regarded as a bit of baccalaureate flattery to assume that college graduates are foreordained to be leaders of men. As individuals, of course, they are not all so destined—as a class they are. More and more in our time and country they are coming to be, and are expected to be, leaders in the communities in which they live. Some leaders of few—some of many. When a man emerges into public prominence and his biography is given, we expect to be told at what college he was graduated. This implies the acknowledged potency of a liberal education in life. But it implies much more than that. Graduation in a college of high grade selects men and women by their moral more than by their intellectual qualities. Many are called but few are chosen. Many start but few arrive. A hundred enter a class and fifty are graduated. Not that all who fall out by the way fail because they are unworthy to reach the end. That we could not say, remembering those who have been with you for a time and whom you miss today. But in general in our American communities the struggle for survival to the end of a college course, the struggle with poverty and hardship and the chances of life, is a moral struggle, and success means the survival of the qualities that make up strong masterful character. And the same law holds all through life. Success in any high sense is moral superiority—the ascendancy of virtue. And the virtue which here prevails is the aggregate of the simple and elementary virtues which all men may have if they will. What I have been trying to do for you today is to glorify in your minds these simple virtues, to help you to see that they make a plain, humble life bright and strong and even noble, and that no other qualities however brilliant can in any life supply the lack of them. You will be quite likely to meet men who are not college men and who will be your superiors—men who will do more for your art or profession, more for invention, or statesmanship, or philanthropy, or religion. It may be because they will have more genius than you—but more probably because they will have more industry, more resoluteness, a higher purpose.

Revolving very often in my mind during my many years of college experience the question of the relative importance of the moral and the intellectual factors in the product which we call success in life—success of a high order I mean—I have come to the deliberate conclusion that they stand in the ratio of at least three to one, that saying nothing about heaven above and the life hereafter, the worth of a man or a woman here and now is one part intellect and three parts affection, conscience and will. Has one a brilliant mind? With adequate moral force behind it and within it, it becomes a mighty power; not so concerted and energized it avails little. Are you conscious of having only moderate intellectual gifts? You can triple their momentum by aid from the moral side of your nature if that is true and strong. But some of you may say, "I do not

aspire or care to be a leader of men. I am content to slip into an easy place and go through life without ambition or struggle or prominence." It is too late for you to choose that position. It is shut against you. In accepting the great trust of a liberal education, in consenting to receive from society this loan of leisure and seclusion, and the costly appliances of study, you have undertaken a great responsibility which you cannot now throw off. Noblesse oblige. You are hereby called of God to service, to influence, to the labor and dignity of leadership. Your college expects this of you. It will be disappointed if you do not, in some sphere, do some effective, helpful, honorable work. Your Alma Mater will rejoice with the great joy at once of self congratulation and of sympathy when she hears of such good work done by you. Go with her blessing and prayers and come again to receive her felicitations and to join with her in thanksgivings.

Editor *State Republican*:—Two articles appeared in your paper of Wednesday, which were very misleading, and the source of considerable annoyance to both students and faculty. The article with reference to the College band was especially misleading. With two or three exceptions, I think the spirit of the boys in the band is all that could be desired, and they are doing their best to prepare for first-class service. There has been no threat on the part of the faculty to send the band home in case it did not play, and as far as I know there has been no disposition on the part of the band at any time to refuse to play.

A large number of new instruments were purchased for the band last fall, and they have made good use of them, and have reached a standard of excellence very seldom equaled by a college organization. All the plans for the Semi-Centennial are coming along finely.

Very truly yours,

J. L. SNYDER.

On account of some very erroneous statements concerning the band the above letter was published in the *State Republican* of the 24th. By special request it is repeated in the RECORD.

AUROREAN ELECTION.

The Aurean Literary Society held its election of officers for the fall term, Saturday evening, resulting as follows:

- President—A. W. Brewster.
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