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1909 BULLETIN.

An interesting bulletin published by the class of 1909 has been received, and the very first subject to receive attention is, quite naturally, the coming Reunion. A list of the members who are expected here for the festivities is given, and commenting upon the same the Bulletin adds:

"Now, isn't this inducement enough to attract all other 'ogers who can come, but are possibly hesitating because they think it wont be worth while? Do come, every one of you who can, at least for Alumni Day, June 22, and the first thing go to the Armory, register, and then find out what the definite plans are for the 'og reunion this year. The 'ogers in Lansing will try to have some time and place planned so we may all get together for a good old visit. To those of you who cannot get back, we will drink a toast, and later-maybe in next year's bulletin-we will give you an account of the 'doins.'

An interesting summary of the year 1909–10 is given by Harry Kempster. The military department write up was furnished by C. W. McKibbin, '11, and athletics was well handled by Nelson Hub-

bard.

Following these is an interesting poem, "From the 'og Girls' Chain Letter, Summer 1909," in which each girl receives some mention, written for the Bulletin by Olive E. Graham. In so large a class the personals picked up during the year are extremely interesting, and occupy nearly four columns. The purpose of the Bulletin is set forth in an editorial, and this is followed by a directory of the class, which not only gives the present address and occupation of each member, but the home address as well.

Altogether, it is a publication which will be eagerly read by the members of the class of 1909, and will no doubt "break the ice" for other classes.

AUROREAN.

The Aurorean Commencement Party and Alumni Reunion, to be held at the Downey House, Friday, June 17th, promises to be a most enjoyable affair. The banquet starts at eight o'clock, and will last an hour if each course takes six minutes. During the course of the ceremonies there will be four speakers.

Toastmaster, B. E. Hoffman. "Here's to All of Us," J. A. Westerveld.

"To the Ladies," H. H. Coplan.
"The Seniors," H. A. Dorman.

"Coming and Going," Eli R.

When these are finished there will be a short intermission for the alumni to get together and talk over old times and then the dancing commences. Booth's orchestra, of Jackson, will furnish the music, and will probably be kept busy until the small hours on Saturday. Prof. and Mrs. Polson and Prof. and Mrs. Clark will act as patrons.

TRIENNIAL ALUMNI REUNION

A PAGE FROM THE "REUNION DIRECTORY"

"Admission to the alumni dinner will be by ticket only. Be sure and get your ticket and badge at the place of registration.

"The first alumni business meeting will take place at 9 a.m., June 22, in the chemical laboratory lecture room.

"The alumni literary exercises will be given in the armory at 10 a.m. All are invited.

"The alumni dinner will be served in the pavilion of the new agricultural building at 12 o'clock. Present your tickets at the main entrance.

"The second alumni business meeting will be held in room 311 of the

agricultural building. Elevator will carry you up.

"An alumni picture will be taken in some suitable place immediately

after the second business meeting. All should get in.

"Public telephone station (both phones) will be found in the main entrance to the library.

"Alumni and their friends will be designated by green ribbons (college green); all others by white ribbons. A badge with ribbon of either color entitles wearer to two tickets to the alumni dinner."

REUNION NOTES.

The music will be in charge of Prof. A. J. Clark. Some matters which concern the business meetings.

The maintenance of a permanent alumni secretary.

The record of the Alumni Advisory Council.

The history of the origin and development of this college.

A memorial fund.

The publication of a "college quarterly."

The status of "Old College Hall."

The reform of the triennial system of alumni reunions.

Things the alumni will bring with them.

The Not pellucidly clear inquiry upon the alumni invitation announcements as to "I may bring with me" has resulted in quite a medley of replies, as the following answers show. "My wife," "my son," a friend," "father and mother," "unlimited enthusiasm," "myself," an old sweetheart of mine," "the family." the bird cage," a lady friend." no one," wife and babies," prospective student," daughter," not certain," sister," some of the children," etc., etc.

All members of the teaching staff and all other college employes are cordially invited to attend all the alumni exercises. The alumni literary exercises are public exercises and all are welcome to attend. The pro-

gram will consist of:

Music

The Presidential Address Judge Wm. L. Carp	enter.
Oration Hon. Chas. Ga	rfield.
History Mr. Guy St	ewart.
Necrology Prof. S. B.	
Music.	

An alumni "pathfinder" will be issued from registration headquarters—old College Hall—in which will be found the street car and railroad time tables, the chief attractions upon the campus, especially the newer ones, and such other information as will be useful to the busy alumnus.

Registration headquarters will be open—in Old College Hall—both on June 21 and June 22. Be sure you register here and get your badges and get your dinner tickets.

ENGINEERING ANNOUNCEMENT.

Headquarters for engineering alumni will be room 101, Engineering Hall. All visiting alumni are requested to call at the above room and register. Prof. Vedder will be found in room 104, and Prof. Sawyer in room 119.

The business meeting will be held at 2 o'clock instead of 2:30, as pre-

viously announced, in room 117, Engineering Hall.

A business directory of the engineering alumni and former students will be ready for distribution at the above meeting. This directory contains the business addresses of about 80 per cent. of the graduates, beside those of a number of former students.

'86

William A. Kinnan is principal examiner in the patent office at Washington, D. C. His private address is 1110 Fairmont St.

'97.

E. A. Robinson is a busy surveyor of Boyne City.

Sanford H. Fulton is a busy fruit grower of Sleepy Creek, West Virginia. Expects to ship fifty car loads of peaches this season. '08

In the Official Gazette of the U. S. patent office, May 24, is a drawing and complete description of a surveying instrument patented by Myron J. Dikeman, of Joliet, Ill. The instrument will no doubt prove a valuable addition to the surveyor's outfit. Mr. Dikeman was with the American Bridge Co., of Chicago and Joliet, but has quite recently accepted a position with the Empire Bridge Co., of New York City.

SOPHOMORE ORATION CONTEST.

The annual sophomore oration contest for the prizes offered by the English department was held last Friday evening in the chapel. Nine contestants took part. The first place was won by Louis Hirshleifer. His subject was "The Jew as an Idealist." The second place went to Edwin Smith, who spoke on "Perils of the American Home," and the third place to Howard Hough, with the oration "The Brotherhood of Man."

This contest showed that in the sophomore class are many men who are well able to do excellent work in college oratory. This college will come to its own in this branch of college rivalry whenever its men are able to find time to do the work involved. They have the ability without doubt.

STATE ORATION CONTEST.

A new plan for selecting a representative from this college to the State Oration Contest will be inaugurated next year. The details have not all been worked out. The big feature will be an absolutely open competition. Should sufficient men wish to enter the contest, such preliminaries as are necessary will be held. The same plan will be followed in selecting a man to represent the college in the State Peace Contest. It is also hoped that several women will come back in the fall with orations well under way, in order that a contest may be held to select a representative to the Women's State Contest.

With this announcement made at this time, many men should take time during the summer to rewrite orations prepared for sophomore class work, or to write new orations, in order that they may be ready to go on the preliminary contests. Plans have been devised by which credit will be given for all time legitimately given to this kind of work during the college year. The same plans will apply to debating.

SORORIAN.

Not a more pleasant evening could have been spent than the evening of June eleventh, when the Sororians held their annual flower and commencement party in the "Ag" building. The rooms were decorated to give a Japanese effect, with lattice and wisteria bloom. The music was furnished by Fischer's orchestra.

Patrons were Dean and Mrs. Bissell, Director and Mrs. Brewer, Mr. and Mrs. Baker and Mr. and

Mrs. C. C. Taylor.

Those who were back for the party were, Mary Allen and Helen Esselstyn '09, Ethel Chapin, Alice Kelley, Lucile Stout and Bessie Andrews. Other guests from away were Misses Warble, Butler, Lewis, Frederick and Young.

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TUESDAY, JUNE 14, 1910.

ND now for commencement and the big reunion. We have endeavored to publish such information this week as would be of interest especially to those who are to visit the institution during the coming week. The local alumni committee have been hard at work perfecting plans, and nothing will be left undone to make this the most enjoyable and all round successful reunion ever held at M. A. C. The coming together of the engineering alumni and former students will be a special feature, as this marks the 25th year of the founding of the engineering course. When these big classes get together for the dinner there will be no end of enthusiasm, and it is hoped that a large majority of them will be represented. Everybody endeavor to give everybody else a good time and next week's program will be a success.

FRUIT BANQUET.

A beautiful sight met the eyes of the junior and senior Hort. students as they entered the club room on Thursday evening. It was the event of the second annual fruit banquet of the Hort. Club.

The tables were tastily decorated with roses, sweet peas and asparagus. A large orange and banana were at each plate, while cherries were scattered in profusion over the

When all was ready Mr. C. E. Smith, president of the club, led Dr. Beal to the seat of honor. It was a great pleasure to have present this distinguished member of the faculty. He has always been one of the warmest friends of the club since its organization.

The first course consisted of sliced pine apples and lemonade. Then came the strawberries and later ice cream and lady fingers. Candies and nuts were served, and, to cap the climax, the waiters rolled

on large red apples. The fruit all looked fine, but tasted better, and there was an over abundance to be had. When each had satisfied himself that he had done ample justice to it, the president called upon Dr. Beal for a few remarks. As usual the doctor was very bright and witty. Among other things he told some interesting points in the history of the club, and offered suggestions for its improvement.

Prof. Eustace was next called upon and he told of the influence of the club in bringing the student and instructor closer together. He also brought out the strong interest which the alumni members have in the club and the department.

Prof. Gunson, in his characteristic way, got off some of his usual jokes. He brought in several remembrances of the Natural History

Society and the Botanical Club. These were the two first technical clubs on the campus and did much to develop the scientific and social life of the college.

Prof. Halligan and Mr. Gregg both ably responded to toasts. Messrs. J. P. Miller and R. G. Voorhorst spoke for the graduating class and Mr. E. C. Lindemann for the juniors.

The pleasure of the evening was greatly enhanced by the presence of Mrs. Eustace, Mrs. Halligan and Mrs. Gregg.

This was the last meeting for the year, and will long be remembered by the graduates. It will also be an inspiration to the juniors to go about their various activities this summer, and they will come back in the fall determined to make the club better than ever.

There was on exhibition an interesting collection of seventeen varieties of lemons, which were kindly sent to the club by Mr. B. B. Pratt, '09. Mr. Pratt was an earnest member of the club, and has since graduation been connected with government fruit investigations in California.

P. W. MASON.

THE AGRICULTURAL PRESS.

On Thursday afternoon of last week Mr. I. R. Waterbury, editor of the Michigan Farmer and member of the State Board of Agriculture, spoke to the class in agricultural journalism, together with a large number of other juniors and seniors, on some of the fundamental principles that govern writing for agricultural papers. His talk was most practical and helpful in its nature, and was greatly appreciated by the students present.

This is the first year that a course in this subject has been presented by the English department. It was originally planned to have several talks by editors, but this address by Mr. Waterbury was the only one that was finally secured. The course has proved helpful, and will become in another year or two one of the most practical courses in the college.

WINTER KILLING.

North of the poultry plant at M. A. C. is an interesting study in the relative hardiness of alfalfa and clover. An ice sheet covered this series of row lots February, 1910. The stand was good in all the rows last fall. Labels will aid in understanding the facts. As will be noticed the first group on the west is a series of progeny ("family") rows of alfalfa. Here we have a chance to compare the hardiness of different families. The second group of alfalfas is not a progeny series but a "variety" series. Each row is from a different lot of commercial seed. Because the stand was good last fall, the number of plants that remain show the relative endurance of the plants grown from these different lots of seed. For example row No. 25, contains only 18 per cent, of living plants while row No. 35 contains 93 per cent. thrifty plants.

Students of agriculture and especially those interested in crop production will gain much from a critical study of this group of rows.

ATHLETIC CARNIVAL.

The following is a financial summary of the athletic carnival, 1910:

> Gate receipts\$111 61 Coupon sales 712 45 Miscellaneous.... 60 55

> Total receipts 881 61 Total expenses... 338 58

Net profit \$546 03

The elevator and police proved the best source of income, with a net profit of about \$75. Next in importance comes the lunch and candy, combined. The Monte Carlo, minstrel show, garten school, and Mighta Ben Hur, also deserve special mention, while the dance and moving picture show added liberally to the net proceeds.

The hearty cooperation of all who had a part in the carnival and the privilege of using the new agricultural building, made possible the unusual success. To those who participated and the public who attended, as well as the authorities that permitted the use of the new agricultural building, the Athletic Association wish to express appreciation.

MAURICE JOHNSON, H. L. KEMPSTER, Committee on Report.

BASEBALL.

M. A. C. lost to Olivet last Saturday in the last ball game of the season. The team had been "laying off" for a week, and, while they hit the ball and hit it hard, were unable to hit safely. On the other hand, Olivet's hits were well placed -always just out of reach. Pattison pitched the first five innings, and then gave way to Weston. The game was called in the eighth in order to allow our boys to catch a train home. Part of the team made the trip in an auto.

Summary:

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Hits - off Pattison, 8; off Weston, 5. Struck out-by Pattison, 7; by Weston, 1; by Wallick, 5.

INSTITUTE TRAIN.

Among those on the train will be Hon. T. F. Marston, of Bay City, the secretary of the Northeastern Michigan Development Bureau, who has been instrumental in arranging for the train; Hon. Colon C. Lillie, the new State Dairy and Food Commissioner, who will speak on dairy topics; Prof. V. M. Shoesmith, of the department of farm crops at the Agricultural College, who will discuss "Soil Management;" Mr. Harry L. Kempster, of the college poultry department, who will speak on "Poultry and Poultry Houses;" Prof. L. R. Taft, Superintendent of Farmers' Institutes, will be in charge of the train and will talk upon, "Orchards and their

W. B. Liverance demonstrates the care of the cream separator, use of Babcock test, and also speaks upon the type of dairy animals and care of milk. George A. Brown will have upon the train representatives of the different classes of sheep and will demonstrate methods of dipping, shearing and the preparation of wool for market. Governor Warner has promised to be with the train for four days and will give short talks on the dairy interests of the state.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture will also cooperate by furnishing Prof. C. B. Smith and Prof. J. C. McDowell, of the Farm Management Bureau, who have for several years been studying the soil and crop conditions in Northern Michigan and are well prepared to discuss the growing of such crops as potatoes, clover, alfalfa and vetch and the methods of tillage adapted to the various classes of soil found in that section of the state.

The express cars will be used for exhibits of grains and forage crops, spraying outfits, and poultry. The poultry exhibits, in particular, will be very large and complete, consisting of ten of the leading breeds, besides breeders, incubators, models of poultry houses, samples of rations, etc.

Everyone interested is invited to visit the train and they will certainly find much that will be interesting and instructive.

As the train will remain for but one hour at each place, visitors should be at the station at the time scheduled for its arrival. Stops will be made at the following points, at the time given:

ITINERARY "BETTER FARMING" TRAIN.

Detroit & Mackinac Railroad.

Monday, June 27th. Omer, 9:30 a. m. Twining, 1:30 p. m. Au Gres, 10:45 a. m. Whittemore, 2:35 p. m. Rose City, 4:30 p. m.

Tuesday, June 28th. East Tawas, 7:45 a. m. Black River, 1:00 p. m. Au Sable, 9:20 a. m. Ossineke, 2:15 p. m. Harrisville, 10:45 a. m. Alpena, 3:40 p. m.

Wednesday. June 29th. Bolton, 7:25 a. m. Millersburg, 11:15 a. m. Posen, 8:40 a. m. Onaway, 1:30 p. m. Metz, 9:50 a. m. Tower, 2:40 p. m. Aloha, 4:00 p. m.

Other dates given next issue.

'02

E. A. Richmond, who was granted the degree of M. E. in 1909, is engineer for the Postum Cereal Co. of Battle Creek and has charge of all the machinery in connection with the institution.

'09.

B. H. Roberts, of the above class, writes: Please send my remaining numbers of the M. A. C. RECORD to Grand Rapids, R. F. D. 5. Am going back to the farm, and cannot miss the last RECORD. Mr. Roberts has been teaching agriculture at Hudson.

Charles Dunlap is employed by the Converse Bridge Co. of Chattanoga, Tenn. He is at present on the road taking contracts and selling structural work.

F. K. Webb is in the drafting office of the same company with which Mr. Dunlap is connected. Mr. Webb says there is not "a million a minute" in the engineering profession, but there is lots of work and some fun and he could not be induced to leave it.

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Mr. Frank Tyler, of the U. of M., was a guest of college friends over Sunday.

E. C. Lindemann, '11, will have charge of some of the landscape work in Moore's Park during the summer.

Prof. and Mrs. Ryder leave this week for Europe, and it is their intention to make a complete tour, landing at Liverpool and leaving at Naples. They sail from Montreal June 17.

On Thursday evening 28 seniors who started the work together five years ago met in Club E. and held a final reunion and banquet. A. G. Tyler, of Grand Rapids, acted as toastmaster.

There was a wild scramble for the new catalogs last week when it was noised that they were out. There are 200 pages in this year's book and some new cuts are in evidence. The work in meteorology for next year will be in charge of Mr. Seeley of the U. S. Weather Bureau.

Prof. and Mrs. H. W. Reynolds, of Berkeley, Cal., visited friends on the campus last week and left Thursday for the east. Mr. Reynolds was assistant professor of engineering at M. A. C. in 1902–03, and is at present in charge of engineering at the above institution. Mrs. Reynolds was formerly Elvine Armstrong, of the class of 1904.

Prof. French delivers the H. S. commencement address at Decatur this week.

Clifford Roe '07 and Roswell Carr, '08, were college visitors a day or two the past week.

Miss Anna Belle Lee, instructor in botany, goes to Corvallis, Oregon, next year at an advanced salary.

There were 487 pupils of Kent county who passed the eighth grade examination. Prof. French delivered an address before these young people on Friday afternoon.

Ray S. Baker and son, Stannard, left Friday, for Frederick, Crawford Co., and will go down the Manistee River in a boat, by way of an outing. The distance traveled will be largely determined by the condition of the river, the number of mosquito pests, etc.

The rhododendrons that were planted some time ago near the clump of evergreens around the '73 class stone have not done well, and have made scarcely any growth at all. During the spring they have all been transferred to the space back of the Women's Building formerly occupied by the pond.

Five veteran foot-ball players will graduate this spring and some new timber will have to be called into action. The men which will be lost by graduation are Charles Lemon, Lansing; P. G. McKenna, Quinnesec; "Octy" Moore, Freeport; Roy Wheeler, Athens, and A. L. Campbell, Cheat Haven, Pa.

J. G. France, '11, has secured a position for the summer with the Illinois State Inspector of Orchards and Nurseries.

The grounds about the new Weather Bureau Building is being rapidly gotten into shape and will soon be one of the beauty spots of the campus.

Gerrit Masselink, of the Ferris Institute, Big Rapids, writes that he expects to be here to greet old friends commencement week. Mr. Masselink was RECORD editor in 1903-04.

An informal "farewell" was given Thursday evening in the Zeta rooms in honor of the members of the Alpha Zeta, who graduate this spring. The feed consisted of coffee, sandwiches and strawberry shortcake, and about twenty members participated.

Mr. E. F. Carey of Galesburg was a college visitor one day the past week and states that the high school students of their city are very much interested in M. A. C. Mr. Carey was looking for a farm in the vicinity of the college that he might move here and educate his children.

Newell Snyder, with '05, and wife left today for San Francisco, Cal., after a two weeks' visit with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. Snyder of Collegeville. Mr. Snyder is with the Oliver Plow Co., and is assistant superintendent of the plant located at the above city.

Mr. F. T. Riddell is entertaining, for a few days, his brother, who is a student in Yale University.

The 39 commissioned officers banqueted at the Downey House Thursday night. Lieut. Holley gave a short address, following which the party attended the Bijou theatre.

While no definite plans have been made for the alumni ball game on the 22d it is planned to have one. The teams will be made up of alumni and the regulars who will be in college next week.

A. McVittie, '11, won the prize offered by the Bacteriological Department to the student doing the best work in the course. The prize amounts to about \$20.00 and is the interest on the sum of money given the department by the parents of Mr. Sayer, a former instructor, and who lost his life while canoeing on Red Cedar one year ago. This money is in trust by the above department and the interest upon same is to be awarded as a prize each year.

Forensic Society held "Senior Night" on Friday, June 10, and all seniors gave farewell talks with tears.

They then proceeded to elect the following officers for the coming term:

Pres.—E. Wallace.
Vice Pres.—W. W. Pratchner.
Sec.—E. S. Lautner.
Treas.—L. E. Eyer.
Press Editor—V. T. Bogue.
Marshal—C. F. Barton.

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Dr. Rahn, of the bacteriological department, left Sunday for his native Germany, where he will spend the summer.

Notice.—All books belonging to the library should be returned on or before June 14. Books drawn by heads of departments should be returned on or before July 1.

All the rooms in Engineering Hall have been lettered in gold leaf, so that it is now an easy matter to tell where "your at." The word "Engineering" over the main door, in gold, is also plainly seen from the main walk in front of the building.

A large crowd witnessed the senior-faculty game Friday afternoon. The seniors were victorious, 9-5. Prof. Hedrick sustained a bruised nose and was succeeded by Mr. Roller. The proceeds of the game, about \$44 was turned over to the church building fund.

The organization of the University Club was effected at a recent meeting and the following officers were elected; Dr. Otto Raan, president; H. H. Musselman, secretary; Harry Kempster, treasurer; W. B. Wendt and Bell Farrand, members of the board. There are now thirty-three members of the club.

The officers of the Hort, Club for next fall are as follows:

Pres.—B. W. Keith. Vice Pres.—F. C. Dayharsh. Sec.-Treas.—G. W. Dewey. Press reporter—U. S. Crane.

Following are the officers of the Sororian Society for the coming term:

Pres.—Lucile Hawkins.
Vice Pres.—Hannah Williamson.
Rec. Sec.—Grace Dickinson.
Cor. Sec.—Alice Wood.
Treas.—Margaret Logan.
Marshall—Jessie Whitney.
Editor—Phila Smith.

Mr. Razik, our Egyptian student, sails for his home on June 25, and will return to continue his college work next fall. Mr. Razik has been much interested in American machinery, and has ordered sent to his country a plow which is propelled by gasoline power, and a spraying outfit. These he will demonstrate to his people during the summer. He expects to spend much time in study while away, especially along the line of plant pathology. Mrs. Ella Kedzie will accompany Mr. Razik to Paris.

J. Haskins Smith is a publisher in New York City, with business address at 1227 Tribune Bld. C Commball

R. S. Campbell, of Port Huron writes that he has just returned from Washington, D. C., where he enjoyed a "little reunion."

W. G. Kains is associate editor of the American Agriculturist, New York City. His home address is 439 Lafayette St.

Don B. Jewell, who for the past year has been at the head of the agricultural department of the Warren, Minn., schools, has recently accepted a position as head of the agricultural department of the State Normal School at Athens. Ga.

A. S. Armstrong, with Bates & Rogers Construction Co., Chicago, states that they have a great deal of work to do outside the city and writes as follows: "C. E. Merwin, 'o8, was with me on this work for about three weeks when he was transferred to the main office as estimator, and now I have R. S. Canfield, 'o7, in Merwin's place. This shows that the M. A. C. men must be making good with this firm, as there are now six of us in their employ.

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