

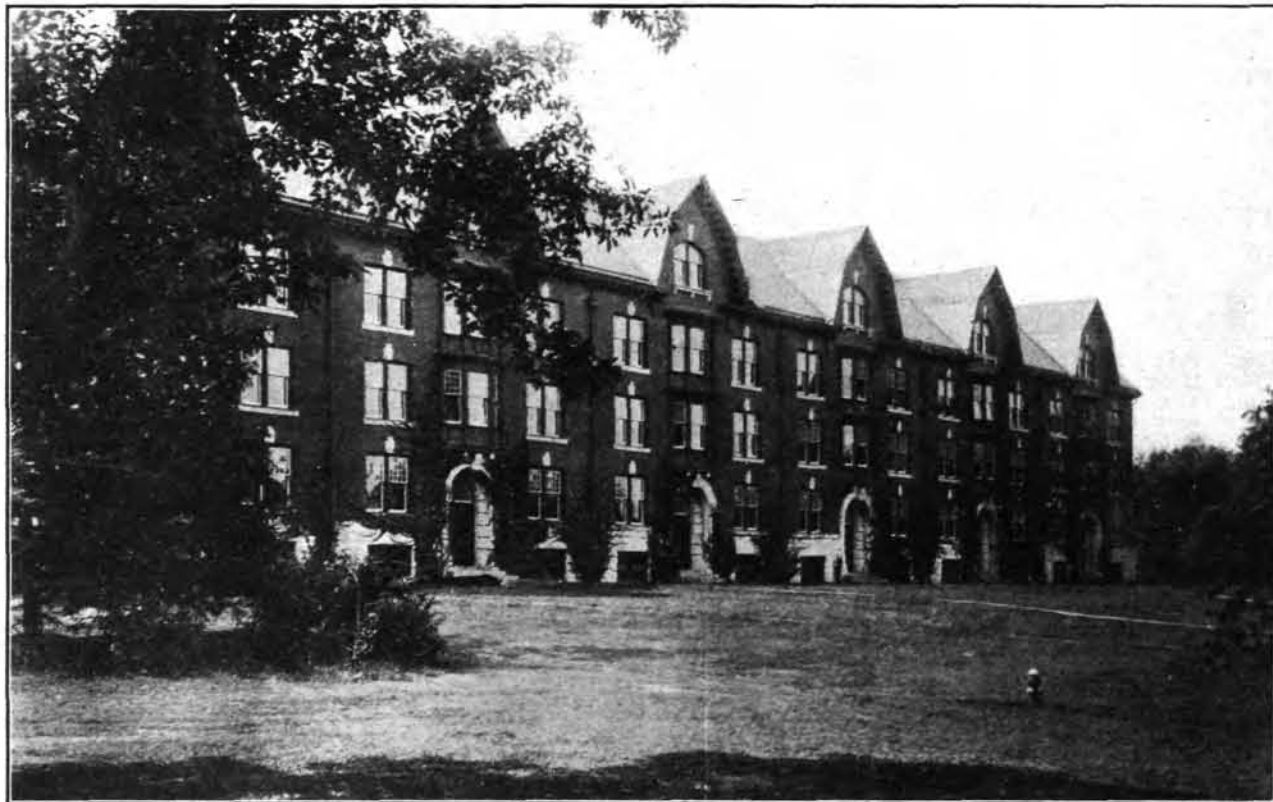
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RESULT OF THE BALLOTING.

The balloting on the new By-laws of the M. A. C. Association resulted in the adoption of every clause. Only one, that relating to the plan for reunions, was contested to any extent, and was finally carried by a large majority.

The vote by sections was as follows:

Section One	Yes, 148	No, 1
" Two	Yes, 149	No, 0
" Three	Yes, 148	No, 1
" Four	Yes, 148	No, 1
" Five	Yes, 145	No, 4
" Six	Yes, 148	No, 1
" Seven	Yes, 143	No, 6
" Eight	Yes, 146	No, 3
" Nine	Yes, 110	No, 39
" Ten	Yes, 149	No, 0
" Eleven	Yes, 148	No, 1

The lightness of the balloting was somewhat of a disappointment, as it had been hoped that keen interest would be shown in this phase of the new organization. That feature, however, appears to be offset by the unanimity of the sentiment regarding practically all of the questions involved.

THE OLDEST FARM AND TRADE SCHOOL IN THIS COUNTRY.

A short letter from Dr. Beal reveals the fact that, contrary to the popular belief, the Michigan Agricultural College is not the oldest agricultural college in the country.

On Thompson's Island, in Boston Harbor, is located a farm and trade school which celebrated its hundredth anniversary on March 21. There is a farm of 157 acres, where boys, during a course of four years, learn agriculture and horticulture in farm and garden. They also learn carpentry, metal working, and electricity. Athletics receive some attention; a scheme of self-government was instituted twenty-five years ago; they have a band. The school was established to serve boys of poor families, but is not a reform school. Mention of this school is made in Dr. Beal's History of M. A. C., now passing through the hands of the state printers.

DEAN WHITE TAKES OFFICE.

Dr. Georgia White, the new dean of the home economics department, arrived at the opening of College this term, and took charge of the work at once.

Miss White is a graduate of Lake Erie Seminary and Cornell University. She also studied abroad for several years, and completed her work for the degree of Ph. D. at Cornell. She later taught sociology at Smith College for eight years, and had been dean of women at Olivet College for two years prior to accepting the position at M. A. C.

The fall and winter have been spent by Miss White in travel and study abroad. A woman of fine address and executive ability, it is believed that her selection has been an especially fortunate one.

INGHAM COUNTY AGAIN "DRY"

On Monday, April 6, the question of local option was again submitted to the voters of Ingham county, with the result that the saloons were voted out by over 1,200 majority. The size of the vote was a surprise to both sides, as each had felt confident of a victory before the polls were opened.

ARRIVALS.

Violet Irene Hornbeck, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry N. Hornbeck, 448 Sixth St., Grand Rapids, on March 27, 1914. Mr. Hornbeck was a member of 1904.

Kathryn Emily Pennell, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ray L. Pennell, 1123 W. Front St., Traverse City, Mich., on March 8, 1914. Mr. Pennell was a member of '07, and has for the past four years been orchardist at the Traverse City State Hospital.

W. E. Wilson, '06e, is with the Bay City Industrial Works. He states that they are now building a traveling crane which will be the largest of its type in the world.

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AND NOW, FOR THE REUNION.

The M. A. C. Association is now rounding into the stretch of the first year of its new existence. It is to be hoped that when the returns are all in we will be able to justify the enthusiasm with which the new plan was adopted.

The race is not yet finished. Unlike most long distance events, this race must have a sprint at the finish. During the greater part of the time we have been jogging along, sizing up the situation, measuring our men and conditions. Now we are at the point where it is time to jump out ahead, call up that reserve energy, and throw every effort toward bringing about a successful reunion on June 23.

No pains will be spared by the alumni residing at the College to provide the most enjoyable time possible. They will surely do their part willingly, even eagerly, but the real secret of success lies in the spirit among the alumni away from home.

Begin now to make your plans to be present. Write to some of your classmates, telling them you want to come back, and that you want to meet them here. Tell them that a jail sentence without the option of a fine will be meted out to unexcused absentees. For it's going to be a regular live time, the band playing, old friends clasping hands, and everything that goes to make up a heartfelt homecoming.

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SUPPORT WE CAN APPRECIATE.

The RECORD has recently received some support from unexpected sources, and wishes to take this opportunity of thanking those who extended the same. We are somewhat handicapped by not being permitted

to mention any names, but the appreciation is none the less real for that reason.

It has been felt for some time that more people should subscribe to the RECORD. In every community there are former students of this College whose words and opinions have weight. They need the little paper to keep them in touch with the spirit of the College and the alumni, and the College needs their support in their several communities.

Seeing this need, and wishing to familiarize these influential people with the paper, three of M. A. C.'s loyal sons have given thirty half-yearly subscriptions each. It is thought that if a taste, and appetite, for the RECORD is once created, the future will take care of itself.

This act of generosity brings the total subscriptions up to nine hundred. We are still lacking somewhat in our efforts for a thousand readers, but hope is an invaluable asset, and we have large quantities on hand.

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EFFECT OF THE DRY VOTE.

The return of Ingham county to the "dry" column was a great surprise to many, and has been freely commented upon in the state press. One important feature, that of its effect on the Agricultural College, seems to have been overlooked.

It goes without saying that general conditions will be more favorable to the College. Not that its effect on the present student body will be marked, for we are glad to say that the students at M. A. C. are not the kind to be seriously affected, one way or the other. Thanks to the high average of our students, the saloon, open or closed, makes but little difference.

The real effect is that exercised upon parents of prospective students. It makes a great deal of difference in many cases. This is shown by the fact that nearly every letter of inquiry received by the authorities contains a question relative to this subject. When the reply can be made that the county is "dry," the effect is naturally more favorable than it could otherwise be.

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No RECORD was issued for April 7. This will account for your failure to receive a copy.

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A number of horticultural students spent the vacation renovating the large orchard on the estate of Edwin Denby, near Northville, Mich. The farm, which has recently been purchased by Mr. Denby, is being remodeled into a fine estate, and T. G. Phillips, '02a, of Detroit, is doing the landscape work.

OLD COLLEGE HALL.

I was recently talking with an alumnus, one who has the College and all of the alumni at heart, about Old College Hall, and we came to the conclusion that some effort should be made to preserve, protect, and retain College Hall for a permanent home for the alumni. Now that the State Board has instructed its architect to make plans for remodeling the old building, it seems that this is the opportune time to suggest to the Board that the building be used for the alumni, and to accommodate the following: A trophy room, where all trophies won by the college could be kept and would be of special interest to the old graduates; one floor for sleeping quarters, a large assembly hall, such as the old chapel. Last, but not least, suitable rooms for the permanent headquarters for the alumni secretary.

Why not consider this right now, before any alterations are made? We all hope, however, that no *radical* change will be made in texture, or design, or anything that will tend to remove any of the landmarks of the old building; just fix it up to last another fifty years in habitable condition, and let the alumni take care of the rest.

The College has not been very attentive to its alumni so far, and here is a chance to regenerate college spirit. What better central meeting place could you think of than Old College Hall? What location or building would every alumnus that ever attended M. A. C. be more interested in? Can you think of any building, or the campus, that would so adequately meet all the needs of the alumni?

Let us get busy now, and see to it that we, the alumni, get something permanent and homelike. At this particular moment it is necessary that we move, and move rapidly. Can you think of any reason why College Hall should not remain the permanent headquarters of the alumni? It is the one building on the campus that is familiar to every alumnus, and it will always remain the center of all college activities. Other buildings have come and gone, but Old College Hall remains forever.

This would take the place of the proposed alumni building, and I think all those that have pledged money to start an alumni building fund will transfer their affections to Old College Hall with great delight, and use this fund to start some memorial feature in College Hall. Think of it—what it means to all former students who come back to visit M. A. C. and find a welcome sign out, a nice place to sleep, a place to eat, in the center of all activities. Think what it means to the college and the alumni, something tangible to bind their relationship

closer. This same alumnus I mentioned before says: "I don't see why Commencement day should end a fellow's college life; in fact, it should be a real commencement. Because he is only beginning to be useful to himself and the College, then why not devote more time to old college life?" Let's go to it fellows, and we will leave it to the State Board to do us this homage. In this event, will we stick? Well, I guess!

The alumni and former students do a great deal for the institution; in fact, they are the advance agents for the college. Why not house these good fellows in suitable quarters to continue the good work now existing?

Does it appeal to you? Well, then, get busy. In order to conserve for our own good, we must move rapidly. Here is a chance to see if the Alumni Association have any influence.

T. G. PHILLIPS, '02.

DEARBORN - FISHER.

The marriage of Alida A. Dearborn and Durward F. Fisher, both of the class of 1912, took place at noon on March 31, at the home of the bride's parents in Bellaire, Mich.

Since his graduation Mr. Fisher has been connected with the United States Department of Agriculture in the Bureau of Plant Industry, doing special work in fruit disease investigations. The bride spent some time at the University of Michigan, later returning to her home in Bellaire. Mr. and Mrs. Fisher have the well wishes of a host of friends and classmates as they go to their new home in Wenatchee, Washington, where Mr. Fisher will continue his work for the government.

Stacey S. Fisher, '09e, is in the office of R. Winthrop Pratt, sanitary engineer for the city of Cleveland. His address is 1920 E. 105th St.

It is rumored that Charles G. Burns, '12f, with the Edison company of Detroit, is to be married in June, and return to the farm.

Frank E. Bostedor, ex-'10, is on a farm near Eaton Rapids, Mich. R. F. D. No. 8 will reach him.

James F. Gerow, a student at M. A. C. in '03, is now employed in the civil engineering department of the Michigan Central, at Detroit. His home address is 627 Baker St., Detroit.

GEORGE KRENTAL.

On March 1st, last, George Krental, College carpenter, closed a connection with this school which has been so honorable and so protracted that it becomes a matter of pride, both to him and to the institution. All recent students at the M. A. C. will remember this tireless worker and faithful man. The hurried walk or half trot with which Krental always hastened from one piece of work to another as though his self-assigned stint could never be caught up with, was familiar to everyone. How eloquently the life of this man rebuked that ancient sarcasm, grown hoary in its ineptitude, that "you can always tell a government employee by the way he works."

Mr. Krental had continuous employment with the College for more than a quarter of a century. During most of this time his headquarters were in the little old brick building to the rear of the veterinary laboratory—originally the College barn, and vying with College Hall in respect to antiquity—now, and for many years past, the "carpenter shop." From this work room what masterpieces of craftsmanship have come forth to serve and adorn! Krental had been taught carpentering under the rigorous apprenticeship system of the "old country," and there was apparently no species of wood manufacture which he had not mastered. Several of the largest frame buildings on the campus were built under his direction, nearly every structure has been rebuilt to some extent under his supervision, and scarcely a class room or office upon the campus fails in having some choice article of furniture or repair to attest his workmanship.

Until five or six years ago, Krental had taken no vacation. Two summer periods were then spent at Bay View in the interests of Mrs. Krental's health—enforced periods of idleness to Mr. Krental to which he was little accustomed.

Mr. Krental is not, strictly speaking, an old man as years go—seventy-two or three, at most, but the death of his beloved wife caused dejection and some morbidness, and actual age came on fast.

The Krentals reared to manhood four sons, three of whom graduated from this school. Krental, himself, was something of a story teller, and nothing pleased him more than relating tales of early life in Denmark, of the Danish-Prussian War, part of which he witnessed, and of life spent along the Rhine as an artisan.

For some months before his resignation the College management had often urged upon Krental that he should relax some of

his customary energy, "lay off" more and try less difficult feats of work. But a high sense of duty compelled the old man to a forfeiture of his position when he came to consider himself no longer equal to the efficiency he had always maintained, and his resignation came forthwith.

It is understood that Mr. Krental will spend his time with his sons, three of whom live in this neighborhood. Every old acquaintance, old student and alumnus, we are sure, wishes a long extension in days to the life of this useful and worthy citizen.

WILBUR O. HEDRICK.

LOCAL ALUMNI MEET.

A meeting of the college alumni was held last Thursday afternoon, for the purpose of appointing committees to handle the details of the coming alumni reunion. More than passing interest was displayed, and the signs point to a rousing big celebration on June 23.

Dr. F. S. Kedzie, '76, was chosen as permanent chairman of the local organization by a unanimous vote. An informal discussion of the problems which are likely to come up was conducted, and resulted in a general arrangements committee, consisting of Dr. Kedzie, the general secretary, and five others to be appointed by the chairman, and authorized to conduct such business as should arise. Conferences with the State Board and other organizations will be held and plans for the reunion perfected.

Prof. Kedzie was absent from the College at the time, and the five members of the committee were not appointed at once.

Irving Gingrich, '02a, is teaching music in the Carbon county high school at Price, Utah. He writes that, since he is doing the work that was assigned three men last year, he has no time to get lonesome. When he leaves Price, it will be to take a year's work in California University for his Master's degree.

C. F. "Banty" Vinton, ex-'14, who has been in the employ of the Michigan State Telephone Company at Detroit for some time, has been promoted to a position as foreman of the Hemlock subway.

Work on the construction of the new veterinary building has been started. The building will stand just east of the farm superintendent's house, and will be rushed to completion as rapidly as possible.

CHILL WINDS RETARD BASEBALL.

With the opening game coming on Saturday, Macklin's men have had little opportunity for outdoor work. The men returned from the vacation to find the ground covered with snow, and the temperature since has not been such as to permit of work outside of the cage.

In Dodge, Le Fever, Blake Miller and Peterson the College has a pitching staff that is looked to to win a majority of the games. What ability the men possess in the batting line has not yet been shown, as but little can be told from the indoor work. Spencer, formerly on the College nine, and more recently a member of the Saginaw team in the South Michigan league, has been assisting by serving up some choice curves for the new men to look over, but so far that is about all they have done.

In case of favorable weather between now and Saturday's contest with Olivet, Macklin expects to put the squad through some severe sessions, and hasten the development of his fielders.

The keenest race for a position seen so far has been between Bibbins, veteran catcher, and Rowley, a new man. What advantage Rowley possesses in the way of natural ability is offset by Bibbins' knowledge of the game, and Macklin's preference will not be known until the games begin.

FARMERS' WEEK IN THE EAST.

Dr. Beal, our star correspondent, sends the following item regarding the farmers' week recently held at Amherst. It is of interest on account of the similar meeting recently held at our own college. He says:

"In showing corn, 40 ears were required and in each case, the exhibitors were required to show the germinating kernels from each ear. The tests ran from 41 per cent. to 99½ per cent.

"In the exhibit of apples, one barrel was bought of a Boston man for \$5.75. Those facing the head were fine, while all the rest were small, wormy, scabby, and of two or more kinds. Another barrel from Springfield, purchased as first grade Baldwins at \$6 per barrel, had excellent apples facing the head. All the rest in a single layer were inferior to a remarkable degree."

Martin De Glopper, 13e, for the past eight months in the State Highway offices at Lansing, has accepted a position with the county road commissioner of Oakland county. Pontiac will be "Pete's" headquarters in the future.

OBITUARY.

Helen D. Baker, a special student at M. A. C. about 1904, died on April 5, of typhoid fever, after an illness of five weeks. Miss Baker, who since her graduation had been teaching music, was a sister of A. D. Baker, '89, and Luther H. Baker, 93, was a Lansing girl, and her untimely death is deeply regretted by her many friends.

New uniforms for the cadet corps have been authorized by the Board of Agriculture, and will be required of all entrants beginning with next fall term. They will be of thirteen-ounce olive drab material, and will conform to the regular army equipment in every detail.

Lieutenant De Lancey states that men now having the gray uniforms will not be required to purchase new ones, but the majority of the students now drilling express themselves as being favorable to the change and it is probable that many of the old cadet suits will be discarded in favor of the "O. D.'s" which are much more comfortable. Many of the students express their intention of wearing the uniform through the day, which will noticeably decrease the expense of clothing for the year.

C. C. Taylor, '09a, has written to the RECORD from Baltimore. He was on the last lap of a long trip through the East, on which he met W. B. Liverance, '07a, and G. Verne Branch, '12a. "Chan" says he enjoys the RECORD, but would like to see more alumni notes. He may be addressed in care of the Kentucky Tobacco Products Co., Louisville, Ky.

The members of the championship freshman basketball team received their new sweaters last week. As the present ruling requires that a man on a class team must be a member of a championship aggregation before he can wear numerals, the first year men are fittingly proud of their trophies.

Mary F. Brennan, with '11, writes that she has recently spent considerable time in Virginia, nearly two months being near the famous battlefields of Bull Run. Though in Lansing at present, she expects shortly to return to the east and expresses her intention of becoming actively associated with the Washington, D. C., alumni association.

M. E. Russell, '13a, who has been assisting in the Farm Crops Department during the past term, has returned to his home in Greenville, Mich.

The situation with regard to the College finances remains unchanged. The supreme court, as was expected, granted a writ of mandamus ordering Auditor General Fuller to show cause for withholding the funds of the College, and the case was argued before the court last Tuesday. Friends of the institution are anxiously waiting the decision of that body.

'06e.

Leslie J. Smith, professor of agricultural engineering at the Manitoba Agricultural College, writes that, while he would enjoy frequent visits to his alma mater, the nature of his work makes this impossible. For that reason he states that he prefers not to vote on the reunion question.

The Northeastern Michigan Association will hold its second meeting in Saginaw on April 17. Prof. Gunson, General Secretary Sheffield, and possibly Prof. Kedzie, will represent the College.

A. R. Carter, '04e, has recently been appointed superintendent of highways for Winnebago county, Ill., at a salary of \$2,400 per year. His address now is 123 Pearl St., Rockford, Ill.

M. L. Holland, '13a, paid a brief visit to the College during vacation. "Jennie" is traveling for the Vaughn Seed Company of Chicago, and we predict that he is a success.

Dr. R. L. Snyder, a brother of Pres. J. L. Snyder, was recently elected mayor of Council Bluffs, Iowa.

Burtwill F. Harvey, '13e, former diamond star, has recently been appointed assistant head chemist at the Studebaker automobile plant in Detroit.

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