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THE STATE BOARD OF AGRICULTURE will meet in special session on May 1 to consider the details of the budget for next year.

A CHAPTER OF ALPHA GAMMA RHO, national agricultural fraternity, was established at M. A. C. on Friday, April 14. Beta Sigma Alpha, local fraternity of agricultural students, was initiated as a body on that day into the Tau chapter of the national organization. Representatives from Illinois and Wisconsin universities, as well as Alpha Gamma Rho men on the M. A. C. staff, comprised the initiation team at the installation. While membership in the new fraternity is limited to students of the agricultural division, men will be selected from all four classes, the organization plan being similar to that of national social fraternities.

OLIVET COLLEGE WAS DEFEATED in a dual debate held in the college gymnasium last Saturday evening, the decision of the judges standing three to nothing. This was the last debate for the affirmative or "home" team of M. A. C. debaters. The negative team is still on its extended western trip. It recently won a decision from the Colorado State College and lost to Iowa State.

REMODELING OF THE PRESIDENT'S OFFICE in the Library building was completed in time for the State Board meeting last Wednesday. Permanent walls to replace the old temporary partitions, new furniture, and attractive decorations and finishings have worked a remarkable change for the better in the old office. President Friday's "five foot" bookshelf, which reaches clear across the east wall, gives an academic tone to the office.

A PLAN TO ESTABLISH a "fraternity row" along Grand River Avenue is being advanced by students of the college. The proposal is for the college to donate or loan a strip of ground for the houses, in order that they may all be grouped and that the organizations may be exempted from property taxes. More democratic spirit among the fraternities because of the proximity of their houses, and "publicity" value because of the location on the main Detroit roadway, are advantages urged for the plan.

SENIOR VETERINARY STUDENTS spent last week in Detroit inspecting various packing houses and veterinary hospitals. The famous Parke-Davis laboratories were also included in the trip. The tour was taken under the direction of Prof. R. A. Runnels, in connection with class work in meat inspection.

THE M. A. C. CO-ED RIFLE TEAM won a recent match with girls from the University of Michigan, the score being 1661 to 1605.

NEW DECORATIONS have been installed in the Flower Pot Tea Room, campus restaurant managed by alumnae of the college, in preparation for spring trade. Special chicken and waffle dinners and picnic lunches "to be taken out" are features planned to stimulate business.

REPRESENTATIVES OF THE M. A. C. CHAPTER of Omicron Nu, honorary home economics fraternity, attended the national convention at Illinois University last week.

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME was adopted in East Lansing and at the college last Sunday. M. A. C. is now on "Detroit" or Eastern time.

FINAL RANKINGS in the inter-society bowling league, play in which was conducted during the winter term, put the Eunomian Society in first place, with the Union Lits and Delphics ranking second and third, respectively.

ARCHERY WILL IN THE FUTURE be included in the program for girls' athletic work at the college, equipment for the old English sport having arrived this week. Archery has been gaining in popularity steadily among American women's colleges, and the M. A. C. athletic department has decided to offer instruction in the sport. Quoit pitching is also included in the girl's program, inter-dormitory matches being planned for the spring term.

ARTHUR KRAFT, TENOR, sang in the gymnasium on Thursday evening, April 20. His program was the final number on the year's Liberal Arts schedule.

ANNUAL FIELD DAY for the M. A. C. military forces has been set for June 2 this year. Three inspections of the military work will be made by representatives of the War Department during the term, including a special cavalry inspection on April 26 and 27, general inspection on May 17, and inspection for the distinguished service class on May 30 and 31 and June 1 and 2.

THE STATE BOARD MEETING Wednesday was the first at which President David Friday has presided officially.

THE ANNUAL M. A. C. Interscholastic Track and Field Meet will be held on June 3 this year, according to announcement just made by Director C. L. Brewer. Three classes, A, B, and C, grouped according to the enrollment of the competing schools, will be provided in the competition. Medals will be awarded by the athletic association. Forty-six high schools entered the meet last year, forty-one of them actually winning points. An even larger entry list is expected this year.

State Board Establishes New Engineering Courses.

Courses in Engineering Administration will be offered students of the M. A. C. engineering division, beginning with the fall of 1922, as a result of action taken by the State Board of Agriculture at a meeting on April 19.

Desirability of strengthening the instruction given in engineering by the addition of courses in the principles of economics, business law, industrial management, accounting, and kindred subjects was pointed out by President David Friday at the March meeting of the Board. The President and Dean G. W. Bissell were appointed a committee to consider the possibilities for the proposed work, with the result that definite recommendations were laid before the Board and accepted last Wednesday.

Details of the new course, as outlined by the special committee in cooperation with the college engineering division faculty, call for forty-five hours of "subject matter" courses in the administration field.

The work in engineering will be divided into two groups: first, the technical courses, substantially as given now; and second, the new courses in engineering administration. The two groups will be identical until the middle of the sophomore year, in order that all engineering students may receive some instruction in economics.

The work in the new group will include: Freshman year—3 credit hours. Sophomore year—7 hours in economics; 4 hours in accounting. Junior years—5 hours in banking, credit, securities, etc.; 5 hours in marketing and transportation; and 5 hours in statistics. Senior year—5 hours in corporation finance, regulation of securities, etc.; 5 hours in industrial management, cost accounting, etc.; 3 hours in contracts and business law; and 3 hours in business cycles.

Demand for engineers trained in the proposed work is mentioned by the special committee in the report upon which the Board based its action.

TO PUSH HORT WORK.

Authority to go ahead with plans to expand and strengthen the work of the college horticultural department was given the administrative officers by the State Board at the same meeting. Addition of men to the department staff, increase of the facilities for teaching and experimental work—including a new horticultural building, and general "rejuvenation" was indicated by the action of the Board.

NEW SOILS EXPERIMENT STATION.

A gift of forty acres of land near Manclona, Michigan, was accepted by the Board. This tract, donated by the Manclona Chamber of Commerce, is to be used as a soils fertility experiment station, to be managed by the soils division of the college experiment station. Soil improvement for potato and legume production, extensive lime tests, and

other work incident to the special soil problems of the section will be undertaken on the new tract.

TO COOPERATE ON LAND SURVEY.

Authority for the college to co-operate with the State Department of Agriculture in economic land survey work was granted by the Board. A county, or counties, will be selected for the opening work this summer, the effectiveness of the endeavor to be a guide for future undertakings of a similar nature. Antrim County was mentioned as among the possibilities for the early surveys.

ESTABLISH METER TESTING LAB.

A meter testing laboratory, to cooperate with the Michigan Public Utilities Commission, was established in the college engineering division by action of the State Board.

CONSIDER BUILDING PROGRAM.

The college building program, with special reference to the Home Economics and Library and Administration buildings, was given further consideration. Orders for immediate completion of the plans for these buildings were given in order that work might be pushed on them. While the two buildings are to be built practically together, indications are that the Home Economics building will be started first, plans for it being farther advanced.

Thirty Attend South Haven Gathering.

Alumni and undergraduates in the vicinity of South Haven gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Johnston, '20, for an informal meeting during the recent spring vacation period. More than thirty turned out in spite of a heavy rain and sleet storm which undoubtedly cut down the attendance materially.

Among those from a distance were Mr. and Mrs. H. Blakeslee Crane, of Fennville; Bernice Woodworth, of Allegan, and Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Stewart, of Lansing. The next meeting is to be held in June, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd M. Barden, in South Haven. L. A. Spencer, president of the association, sent in the above report.

Associations Plan Founders' Day Celebration.

Recognition of M. A. C. Founders' Day, May 13, is being planned by many of the alumni associations. New York alumni have sent word that plans are under way for a special celebration, and other groups are taking similar steps.

Meetings of alumni were held all over the country at noon on Founders' Day last year, with special messages and speakers from the college where possible. Plans for celebration of the day have not yet been completed on the campus, but some sort of program is understood to be contemplated. President E. W.

Ranney, of the general association, recently sent out letters to all associations urging recognition of the day in some form. Any definite plans which are made will be announced in the Record later.

This is the sixty-fifth anniversary of the founding of the college, and as the "thirteenth" comes on Saturday associations should find it convenient to arrange suitable meetings and programs.

Wisconsin Alumni Meet at Madison.

M. A. C. came "back on the map" at Madison, Wisconsin, Tuesday evening, April 11, in a very enjoyable get-together at the home of Prof. J. G. Moore, '03.

Fifteen M. A. C. people enjoyed the generous hospitality of Prof. and Mrs. Moore until a "modern" hour of departure. Reminiscent games, stories and songs helped to discredit the accuracy of the clock. Veterans of the old time water bag brigades forgot the dignity they have acquired as professors at the University of Wisconsin, and lived again the drenching wetness so often experienced in the old Wells and Williams camps.

One M. A. C. engineer, who spoke in favor of the Michigan State College name, said he had been here seven years and "didn't know there were any more M. A. C. people in captivity here." Well, we finally got him—he came in the custody of a state official too, that shows how thorough we are. Here are the names of those with whom he renewed his acquaintance. Graduate, former instructor or "personally selected," they faithfully represented M. A. C. cordiality and fellowship.

Prof. and Mrs. L. J. Cole, Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Doolittle, '14; W. J. Geib, '02; Mr. and Mrs. Paul Ginter '21 and '20; J. Sam Hart, '15; Prof. and Mrs. G. C. Humphrey '01; W. J. Kurtz, '19; H. H. McKinney, '18; Prof. and Mrs. J. G. Moore, '03, our delightful hosts, and R. A. Small, '08.

Following a tentative organization, we discussed several campus topics but definite resolutions were deferred until we get some more up-to-date information on the subjects. The next meeting will be held whenever we want it, in Madison.

If there are any more like Sam, make yourselves known to R. A. Small, 207 W. Washington Avenue.

—R. A. S., '08.

ATHLETICS

Western State Normal Saturday

The third attempt to pry off the lid of the varsity baseball season will be made Saturday, April 22, when Western State Normal of Kalamazoo comes to East Lansing. Little is known here of the strength of the Normal outfit, but records of past teams and ability of men known to be in college would indicate a fast team for the curtain raiser.

Rain Stops Kazoo Game—Opening Delayed Again

Opening of the 1922 baseball schedule was again postponed last Wednesday when rain and snow forced cancellation of the scheduled game with Kalamazoo College. This is the second time that inclement weather has interfered with the curtain raiser, Olivet being unable to appear on College Field last week.

Coach John Morrissey's squad was all set to repel the invasion of the Kalamazoo men Wednesday, practice of the last two weeks having whipped the squad into good shape for early season games. Two Saturday practice games with teams of Lansing independent players provided necessary work under fire, and "King Jawhn" is now in a position to line up his candidates with a fair degree of accuracy.

The pitching staff continues to look strong. Johnson, Kuhn, Ross, and Captain Al Brown are all ready for mound duty and each is a possibility for call to start the opening game. Ross was considered the probable selection to start Wednesday if the Kalamazoo game had been played.

Catching duties in recent workouts have been divided between Brady and Steadman, with the former holding a slight edge. Brown has been on first most of the time, Fullen on second, Daley and Sepanek at short, and Higbie and Schwartz at third. A half dozen have been used impartially in the outfield. Pacynski, Farley, Kaiser, Schwartzmiller, Crane, Mellenkamp, and Stevens look like the first string wardens of the outer gardens.

While it is still too early to predict the real strength of the combination Morrissey has been able to whip together, it is certain that the team will have good pitching and fairly strong hitting as assets with which to start the spring campaign. If the men who will have to fill the gaps in the infield continue to improve at the rate they have progressed during the last two weeks, it is safe to predict a much better than average diamond season.

Tennis Schedule Includes Strong Squads

Opening with the Pontiac Country Club team at Pontiac on April 22, the varsity tennis squad will play the longest and hardest schedule this spring which has ever been lined up for M. A. C. racquet men. Fourteen meets in all are scheduled, according to announcement just made at the Athletic Office.

Among the prominent schools to be met on the courts are Michigan, Indiana University, Cincinnati University, Kalamazoo College, Oberlin, Albion, and Detroit Junior College. The state intercollegiate tournament will be held at East Lansing on May 26 and 27.

NEUROLOGY

Will W. Tracy, '67

Will W. Tracy, '67, died at the home of his son, John W. Tracy, '96, in Washington on March 1, 1922. Mr. Tracy suffered a stroke about a year ago which obliged him to give up his work with the government. For twenty years he had been in charge of trial grounds at Arlington for the Department of Agriculture.

From the early days of his connection with the M. A. C. Horticultural Department, in which he was appointed an instructor upon graduation, down through the years of his work with commercial and governmental agricultural agencies, Mr. Tracy's life was one of distinguished service and achievement.

The following clippings from letters gathered together by Thomas Gunson from friends and contemporaries of Mr. Tracy's, give an idea of the high esteem in which this prominent alumnus was held by all who came in contact with him.

FROM O. E. ANGSTMAN, '75, DETROIT.

From the beginning, Will Tracy was a man of parts. Thorough, earnest, able, unassuming, genial and kindly as well as having the best morals, he certainly was a marked man, as witness his preferment, almost from his graduation. In 1868 he was made Foreman of the Conservatory, Instructor in Horticulture and Superintendent of the Gardens. Taking his master's degree in 1870, and from this date to 1872, he was full Professor of Horticulture and Superintendent of the Gardens.

In 1872 he left the College and later entered the employment of D. M. Ferry & Co., at Detroit, having charge of the growing department for over twenty years. And for the last twenty years, or more, he was at Washington, D. C., in charge of the trial grounds of the government, at Arlington, Department of Agriculture.

A little reflection on these dates will indicate how very close Professor Tracy was to the beginning of things, at M. A. C. Entering at the close of the seventh year of its history, he was closely identified with it for the next seven years. Who can measure the possible influence of such a man upon the fortunes of the young College? I knew him at the College, but much better in Detroit, some years later. He was always the refined gentleman—the man of reserved force and noted specialist in his chosen field. To the end, modest, gracious, optimistic, loyal and tolerant. Seems to me that the pioneers and builders of M. A. C. succeeded so conspicuously, not alone on account of their superior scholarly attainments, but fully as much by reason of what was represented in their personality.

FROM JAMES SATTERLEE, '68, LANSING.

Graduating with the class of '67, he is the first to be called by death. A soldier in the Civil war, he returned to his home in Eastern Massachusetts in impaired health, but had so far recovered that he entered M. A. C. in the summer of '65. The out of doors life and the labor system appealed to him, and he fully appreciated the studies that put him in touch with growing things and stimulated his love for plants and trees and flowers, of which he was passionately fond. An expert gardener, he was of great help to the professor of botany and horticulture and had charge of our first little greenhouse that stood where the armory now stands.

He received from his Alma Mater the degree of M. S. in '70 and that of D. Sc. at the Semi-Centennial in 1907. His four sons, all graduates of M. A. C., survive their father.

A beautiful letter of appreciation of the life and character of Professor Tracy comes from Charley Garfield, '70. Speaking of his ability as a teacher of men and women, he said there never was a man in all his experience in arranging programs for the State Horticultural Society, that he felt so safe in assigning a topic to as with Professor Tracy. His wealth of experience and exact observation and power of graphic illustration, always made his topic interesting. Yet his diffidence and sensitiveness gave him a feeling that he was missing the things that he felt made life worth living. He deplored the fact, and often spoke of it, that he was giving of his soul and his life blood and his talents, to his employers for a salary.

Although Professor Tracy was too busy to make a name for himself in the writing of books, and too generous to accumulate a fortune, those of us who knew him best believe he was one of the great men that our college and her alumni are delighted to honor.

FROM CHARLES GARFIELD '70 GRAND RAPIDS.

Will Tracy was an unusual man, a genius, and often out of balance. He had a deeply religious nature, but very moody, and at times I felt that he was irresponsible. He was abnormally sensitive. When he was at his best he was wonderful. He had a fertile imagination and a spirituality that permeated all his activities. He knew that he possessed genius, and yet I have rarely known a personality so true and noble with so little self confidence. He had high ideals concerning the use of his talents but suffered because he felt he had never been in a place, except the few years at the college, where he could best serve his fellowmen.

He was a wonderful teacher of men and women but lacked something in his equipment to get on with boys in the classroom. There never was a speaker I felt so safe about in all the programs I arranged for the State Horticultural meetings. I knew he would be interesting no matter what was the topic and

he could always make his message graphic because of his wealth of illustration.

FROM J. H. McCOTTER, '70, CHARLOTTE.

Professor Tracy was a tireless worker and one who in his life emphasized the brotherhood of man in the superlative degree. A veteran of the Civil War, he refused for several years to draw a pension. On one of his trips in Tennessee he found a southern soldier who was in very bad condition. He then took a pension and sent it to this southern soldier. I have followed him in many trips among many classes of people, and always there was telling of some kind of helpful act by which they remembered him. Especially was this true of the new settlers in the prairies of Nebraska. The thrill and inspiration which came into my life by contact with him I prize very highly.

CLASS NOTES

'70

A. H. Phinney has returned from Florida and is now at 655 Collingwood Avenue, Detroit.

'74

Andrew C. Haigh, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Haigh of Detroit, has been announced winner of the first Michigan composers' contest, held under the auspices of the Michigan Federation of Music clubs. The work consisted of lyrics composed bit by bit in the trenches, in rest billets wherever he found idle moments and a pencil and paper. Mr. Haigh is now studying music under Lhevinne in New York.

'99

Charles Johnson and Marie Belliss Johnson are living near Belding, Michigan, on R. 2.

'06

E. B. McKenna, according to the postal authorities, is now at Quinnesec, Michigan.

William E. Morgan is living in East Lansing and is with the Novo Engine Company of Lansing, as assistant engineer. Mrs. Morgan was formerly Helen Baker '05.

'07

Helen Andrews Stoffer is living in La-Crosse, Wisconsin, at 215 N. 8th St. Mr. Stoffer is factory manager for the Stamping and Tool Company there.

'09

Leta Hyde Keller continues at 333 W. Green St., Hastings, Michigan.

'11

George E. Watts is now in Defiance, Ohio.

'12

H.E. Knowlton is living at 628 Spruce St., Morgantown, W. Virginia.

'17

The following is quoted from the Wenatchee Daily World of April 6: Don Francisco, for six years advertising manager of Sunkist oranges and lemons and now Pacific coast manager for Lord & Thomas, the national ad-

vertising agency which prepares the advertising for Sunkist oranges and lemons, Sun-
maid raisins, California walnuts, ripe olives, honey and other California products, is in town looking into the proposed Wenatchee Valley advertising campaign. Lord & Thomas is one of the oldest agencies in the country and A. D. Lasker, chairman of the U. S. Shipping board, is the principal owner. Mr. Francisco spoke at the meeting of the district advertising committee and fruit dealers at the Commercial Club last night. While here Mr. Francisco met and renewed acquaintance with several college friends, all of whom graduated from the Michigan Agricultural college at Lansing, Mich. Among them were Norton W. Mogge, who was a classmate of Francisco, Elwin Smith of the Wenatchee Valley Traffic association, Karl Hendershott of Chelan and D. F. Fisher, U. S. Pathologist located here. M. L. Dean, secretary of the Washington Horticultural society, is also a graduate of the same school.

'15

P. J. O'Neill has moved in Toledo to 2326 Rosewood Avenue.

'16

Leon V. Williams, formerly at Tallulah Park, Georgia, is now manager of the Detroit branch of the Twentieth Century Radio Corporation, distributors of Western Electric, General Electric, and Westinghouse radio supplies. Anyone wishing to purchase a wireless telephone just hunt him up at 2311 Woodward Avenue.

Carl C. Foster has moved to 1224 Ballard Street, Lansing.

'17

Hoyt C. Stewart is associated with L. N. Stewart, builder, of Detroit and may be reached at 52 Chandler Avenue.

'18

Lytton Calrow and Dorothy Towne Calrow '17, may be addressed at 3017 Rollins Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa.

'20

C. G. Alder has changed his place of abiding from St. Petersburg, Florida, to Capac, Michigan.

Glenn Lankton is in the manufacturing methods department of the Western Electric Company at Chicago, Illinois, and lives at 157 N. Lamon Avenue. He says that F. W. Spletstoser '21 and wife live in Chicago also at 5146. He reports thirteen men connected with the Western Electric Company, two '12ers, 3 '17ers, 2 '20ites, and six '21ers.

Watson E. Fowle is living on R. F. D. 7, Traverse City, Michigan.

'21

Henry A. Fellows says to change his address to 1857 Allandale Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio.

Carol Macgregor is living at 4109 Lake Avenue South, Duluth, Minn.

William R. Barger is connected with the U. S. Dept. of Agriculture, marketing fruits. He is located at present in Orlando, Florida, and his mail stuffed in Box 1058.

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