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## Before Our Time

### THREE YEARS AGO—(April 26, 1926)

The college building committee states available this spring after the bill now under consideration has passed both houses and has received the signature of President Coolidge.

Adutant General John S. Bersey and Col. Frank B. Hawkins, senior instructor in the national guard, will review the R. O. T. C. in the weekly parade Wednesday afternoon. Following the inspection the infantry unit will stage a sham battle on the college drill field.

Construction will soon begin on the new weather bureau building, which

### TEN YEARS AGO—(April 26, 1919)

The party given by the college band last Saturday evening in the gymnasium was thoroughly enjoyed by everyone. Among the guests of honor were Mrs. and Mrs. Clark, President and Mrs. Kedzie, and Mr. and Mrs. Hasselmann.

The active members of the Phi Delta society will hold a reunion on the week

### FIFTEEN YEARS AGO—(April 26, 1911)

The Dramatic club presented "A Trip to Paris" last Saturday in the gymnasium which was well attended and a success in every way. Next Friday evening "Captain Racket" will be given at the Gladner theatre in Lansing.

The Glee and Mandolin clubs were entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hartsuch last Thursday evening.

### TWENTY YEARS AGO—(April 26, 1909)

Cecil James, tenor, who comes to us from New York, and who will sing in the May Festival, has given special attention to oratorio singing. We find his repertoire practically all of the known operas and oratorios. Mr. James' advent to M. A. C. is being highly anticipated.

Last Saturday, M. A. C. suffered its first defeat of the season in baseball at the hands of Michigan. Both teams played an excellent game, but the other one-sided score of 8-3 was due to a wet field and Michigan being endowed with the fortunes of the day. Only three of the Michigan players were earned ones.

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## MAY FESTIVAL TO BE AT U. OF M.

To Close Fiftieth Season of University Musical Society.

A list of outstanding musical celebrities and a series of programs of extraordinary interest has been announced for the 35th annual May Festival to be held in Hill auditorium, Ann Arbor, May 22, 23, 24 and 25. This event will mark the closing attraction in the 50th season of the existence of the University Musical society and those in charge have spared no pains in making the event worthy of the termination of this half century of activities in the organization's history.

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The Chicago Symphony orchestra will participate in all six concerts, while the University Choral union, under the direction of Earl V. Moore, musical director of the Festival, will offer several important choral works. A special chorus of 500 school children, under Juva Higbee, will contribute numbers at one of the programs.

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## THE VICTORS

Representative Duncan J. McColl, Jr., of Port Huron, would have the University of Michigan's "Victors" become the official song of the state, replacing "Michigan, My Michigan," which has long been the official anthem.

Just why this suggestion we can't even guess. We have always looked upon "The Victors" as one of the most inspiring college marches we have ever heard and one that could be in no more appropriate place than where it now is, but why substitute it for a state song that, more truly than any other could possibly do, portrays the state of Michigan in song?

When we hear such parts of "Michigan, My Michigan" as "Saginaw's tallest pine" and "Lake Superior's deepest mines," we have a true portrayal of the Wolverine state, but for the life of us we never could connect "Hail to the Victors" and "the champions of the west" with the state of Michigan.

## FORTY-FIVE MINUTES

Since long before our time co-eds have been allowed leave until 12:00 and last year an extra 15 minutes was added, making the curfew sound at 12:15 a. m. on week end dates.

Just what the reason is for setting the deadline at 12:15 we do not know, but after a party that continues until 12:00 as most of them do, it is very hard for a co-ed to reach her home at the appointed hour. It is common knowledge that 15 minutes is a conservative estimate for checking out of the Union or any other building where a party is held. It is impossible to stay the limit on the party and still return in time. Why not make it 1:00?

One co-ed is not going to make much difference in the res. obtained if that is the reason for 12:15. One co-ed will give plenty of time to return from a party without having to run. Certainly Michigan State co-eds are as old and entitled to as much freedom as those at much older institutions such as the university and others where even more freedom is given in this matter.

## COURTESY IN THE CLASSROOM

The topic of good sportsmanship or courtesy on the athletic field, comes up for perennial discussion on every campus, but how about a little courtesy in the classroom? You can give the visiting team a big hand or you can boo them; you can razz the ump or you can quietly abide by his decisions, but when we get in the classroom it is apparently open season for scraping feet, half-rise figures, lean the chairs and general disorder within three minutes of time for dismissal.

We are not entirely to blame for all this discourteousness. Show to professors at the end of a lecture, but we are to blame for much of it. Many professors never realize that a student has other classes to attend than his own, and keeping the class five minutes over time is not serious in the professor's way of thinking. In this case he is to be commended for the fact that the time is up.

Most professors, however, are more than human in this respect and dismiss on or before the hour. They are to be shown proper respect, the same kind of respect that is expected of us on the athletic field for the visiting team or the officials.

\$150,000

A drive for \$150,000 to complete payment on the Peoples church begins tonight at 7:00 and is to last eight days. Townspeople are approached for contributions and so will students of the college. This drive that means much to the financial well-being of the institution that is a vital part of East Lansing and the college.

The Peoples church is a common meeting ground for all creed and sect, where all students, no matter what their belief, may freely go and worship in their own way.

The building is a thing of beauty and its value to East Lansing citizens can hardly be measured in dollars and cents. To pay off the present debt on the building and free the institution from the burden it is now carrying is the least East Lansing citizens and Michigan State college students can do.

## THE CUT AND DRIED SPEECH

Four score and seven years ago our profs dragged out upon our campus an absurd system, conceived in tyranny and dedicated to the proposition that all cuts are sinful. Now we are engaged in a great final test, determining whether this system, or any other system so stupid and so unnecessary, can long endure. We are met on a great divide on that question. We have to decide that portion of the institution which has been set apart as a final resting place for cuts, by those who gave their lives that we might flunk. It is not at all fitting and proper that we should do this, but it is a bitter waste, we cannot recollect, we cannot comprehend, we cannot fathom the reasons for this system. The brainy teachers, living and dead, who advocate this system have complicated it far beyond our poor power to understand. Neither we nor the faculty will flunk, nor long remember what we do here, but never will the cuts be erased from the files in the office. It is rather for us to have eradicated the great worry imposed upon us—that from the renowned pedagogues we take increased devotion to that subject from which we needlessly sought to evade—that we here highly resolve that the flunks shall not have flunked in vain—that this school, under an enlightened system of education, shall have a new birth of significance—and that cuts for upper-classmen, of the classes, by the students for red letter grades, shall be forever abolished from the earth.—Daily Northwestern.



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