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## Track Prospects.

At present the outlook for a fast track team is very promising. A large number of the sixty candidates are working daily, and some of the men are showing up well. Only two men were lost by graduation last year—Kaiser and Arnold. Both of these men were quarter-milers and the material for the relay team this year is rather scarce. As there are plenty of men for the other events it is probable that some of the long distance runners can be trained for the quarter.

The most promising men for the relay team are Captain Henry, '07, Stapler, '07, Stair, '07, Wright, '08, Yeckley, '09 and Vorhis, '10.

The regular team will take its first trip April 27th, when it will go to Philadelphia to compete in the relay races on Franklin Field.

In the field events, Dunn, '08, E. R. Cyphers and Hirshman, '10 will take good care of the weights. Strayer, '10, and Mauhoff '09 are out for the pole vault. For the high jump the candidates who are making a good showing are Biewster, '07, Thornhill, '10, Harrison, '10, and Floerchey, '10. Montz, '07, Childs, '08, and Strayer, '10 are candidates for the broad jump.

For the sprints we have Henry, '07, Montz, '07, Bedale, '09, Kramer, '10, and Robison, '10, and the half-milers are Campbell, '08, Yeckley, '09, Von Senden, '10, Hay, '10, and Walker, '10.

Most of the new men who are out are trying for the mile or two mile. Smith, '08, Gregg, '07, and Mumma, '07, will keep these new runners working hard for a position.

The outlook for hurdles is very promising with Childs, '08, Zink, '08, Armsby, '08, Purcel, '09, and Chamberlain, '10 as candidates.

Trials will be held as soon as the snow melts from the track, when it will be much easier to judge the abilities of the numerous new men.

Meets will be held with Dickin-son and the Indians at Carlisle; with several colleges at Philadelphia on May 18; with the Indians at State, and with Carnegie Tech here at commencement time. The inter-class meet will be held on May 11th.

## A Startling Discovery

Something new in our midst! A new club has been formed bearing the unassuming title "A. M. A." Through authoritative information it has been learned that these letters stand for Anti-Matrimonial Association, and the members are the stenographers in the Engineering building. That such an organization should have been formed when there is so much available matrimonial material lying around loose is truly a cause for regret. The situation becomes more serious and appalling when we consider that the movement might embrace the entire community; and then, what would the scrib faculty do? We can wish nothing but failure for this anarchistic club.

## Senior Electrical Trip.

The senior electricals will leave the college on the noon train on March 20 for their annual inspection trip. They will visit the plant of the General Electric company at Schenectady, New York and various points of interest in and around New York City.

## Civil Engineering Society.

At the meeting of the Civil Engineering society last Thursday evening, the members enjoyed the privilege of hearing an interesting discussion on the subject of bacteriology. It was through the kindness of Miss Meek, instructor in bacteriology, that such an instructive lecture was delivered. Special preparations had been made and a large number took advantage of the unusual opportunity.

It was rather difficult in the time allotted for Miss Meek to make a detailed explanation of such an extensive subject as bacteriology and consequently, she merely presented a brief classification of bacteria and their significance in water and in sewage. The method of analysis was demonstrated by experiments and the different stages of the life of bacteria were also shown. Miss Meek had made an examination of a sample of State College sewage and it was interesting to note the colonies of bacteria which existed in it. After the lecture, the lecturer explained the laboratory instruments and their use in the study of the science.

## 1909 La Vie Board.

The men who will direct the work of creating next year's college annual were chosen at a recent meeting of the class of 1909. J. K. Barnes was elected editor-in-chief and H. H. Acheson business manager. These two men are to select the remaining members of the board, but have not yet announced who their associates will be. In three weeks, active work for the 1909 La Vie will be under way.