

The committee consisted of the following; B. D. Kunkle '07, president of the Association, S. K. Varnes '06, secretary of the Association, V. M. Weaver '99, Dr. R. E. Holmes '86, Wm. A. Moore '96, B. W. Demming '92, J. C. Reed '99, Gabriel Hiester '68, J. L. Stewart '99, S. E. Miller '03, C. W. Hardt '97, E. S. Frey '03, A. R. Calder '77, L. A. Harding '99, R. L. Kell '05, J. P. Jackson '89.

Professor H. K. Richardson to Have Charge of Electrochemical Engineering.

The place now vacant on account of the absence of Dr. Ralph E. Myers, until recently, assistant professor of electrochemical engineering, has just been filled by the appointment of Professor H. K. Richardson, who comes to us highly recommended.

Professor Richardson was graduated from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in the year 1904. He took the course in electrochemical engineering, and made an excellent record. The year after graduation he taught at the Institute as a personal assistant of Dr. Gill, who is well known throughout the country. Since that time he has been connected with the National Carbon Company at Cleveland, Ohio, in the capacity of an electrochemical engineer in charge of certain phases of the research work and experimental investigation of that concern. He is therefore well equipped to enter the work here and it is believed that he will prove a valuable addition to our engineering instruction force.

Professor Richardson and his family will probably occupy one of the Foster flats.

Mrs. Butz has donated to the public schools of the Village the microscope used by Prof. Butz. The present is highly appreciated, since the school was in need of such an instrument.

Prof. Reber's Work at Wisconsin.

A very interesting pamphlet has been published on "University Extension in State Universities" by Prof. Louis E. Reber, Director of University Extension at the University of Wisconsin, formerly Dean of the Engineering Department here. The pamphlet is a reprint of a speech delivered by Prof. Reber at the meeting of the National Association of State Universities held at Washington, D. C., Nov. 16, 1908.

He starts out with an account of the historical development of the extension movement from the early days of our Republic to the present time. After speaking of the extension work in a number of the state universities and agricultural colleges and schools, he continues with an account of the work in the University of Wisconsin, where it is probably more comprehensive than in any other institution in the country. The principles of extension are to be applied there to every industry in which the people of the state are employed. The work is divided into four departments: correspondence-study, instruction by lectures, debating and public discussion, and general information and welfare.

In the correspondence-study the state is to be divided into districts with a university representative and assistants in each district. Thus far its introduction has been mainly in Milwaukee, where the employers in many large factories have given it hearty co operation, allowing the men time in working hours for classes, providing properly equipped rooms, and in one case partly paying for the instruction. The great value of instruction in this department to the people of the state is hardly conceivable.

The department of debating and public discussion has gained a remarkable hold upon the people of the state. The object is to create

and foster public interest in current questions, by assisting in the formation of debating societies, and by collecting and classifying reference material to be loaned to individuals and societies.

The department of general information and welfare is designed to gather the stores of information of the expert and republish them in simple and practical form for the people of the state at little or no cost to them and thus to enlist their interest. The desire is not only to help those who ask for assistance, but also those who might be benefited if there interest were aroused.

The February issue of the American Magazine contains a very interesting article by Steffens on the extension work in Wisconsin, but it deals mainly with the work in agriculture. Mr. Steffens speaks highly of Prof. Reber's work, referring to him as an expert engineer of high ability.

Honor Examinations.

To the Editor:

Has not the time come when the College student body should take up, seriously, as a whole, the question of an honor system in class work, quizzes, and examinations? Are we not all thoroughly ashamed of the dishonesty and cheating which our present system permits, and which has been so long condoned by the student body? Is it not well to save the bitter sorrow that comes to the parents of those who are caught, as well as the suffering of the men themselves? And is it not desirable that we put ourselves in a position where faculty, students, and alumni can all be proud of the honor of our Alma Mater in this as in other particulars.

Lehigh and Princeton are both upon the honor system and it would be impossible to get their student bodies to change to the old miserable system of surveillance and spying.

An Alumnus.