



PROFESSOR ALVA AGEE

TWO YEAR EXERCISES

Professor Agee Addresses Second Year Two Year Men—Gives Practical and Helpful Address.

Closing exercises of the second year two year men in Agriculture were held in the Old Chapel on Friday, June 5, at two p. m. The program included an opening address by Mr. R. F. Hug, on behalf of his class, followed in turn by Prof. Alva Agee and Dean R. L. Watts.

Mr. Hug dwelt briefly, but forcefully, upon the relation of the two year man to his community, his college and the commonwealth.

The two year course was established in 1906 as the result of a demand for a practical course in agriculture adapted to the needs of men unable or not desiring to devote four years to their studies. The man who was instrumental to a great degree in the establishment of such a course is Prof. Alva Agee.

In spite of the fact that Prof. Agee left Penn State shortly after 12-14's arrival last fall a year ago, they very soon learned to know him and to recognize in him a staunch friend and wise counsellor, a man whose sterling character commanded at once their respect and love. None regretted more keenly than they of the class of 12-14 the loss of Prof. Agee from the faculty of Penn State. Therefore when the question of who should speak to them at the exercises marking the completion of her course—the first of such exercises in the history of the two year classes—Prof. Agee was the natural and unanimous choice.

In developing and elaborating upon this text "Acquit Yourselves as Men," he approached the subject from three angles. "The needs of the body," "the needs of the mind" and lastly "the needs of the soul." His address was masterful and one which will long be remembered by the many friends who were fortunate enough to hear him.

Dean Watts brought the exercises to a close with a most interesting review of the history of the two year course, its inception and development, with which Prof. Agee was so intimately associated. He also touched briefly upon the certificates which two year men receive and emphasized the fact that these certificates are won by two years of hard work of distinctly collegiate grade.

What the Faculty Will Do.

That the boy with the bow and arrow has been working most diligently among the members of the faculty is well shown by the announcement of eleven engagements. At least nine Faculty men will lead blushing brides to the altar before green-topped youngsters hike again to Boalesburg to post the time-honored sophomore laws. The lucky men are Graduate coach R. C. Harlow, who will marry Miss Navetta Gilpin on June thirtieth; Mr. P. I. Pierson, who will marry Miss Allison, formerly of State College, on June thirteenth; Mr. E. P. Davis; Mr. E. L. Anthony; Mr. F. C. Disque; Mr. T. S. Patterson, Mr. I. S. Bibby; Mr. Holben and Mr. McAnlis, have announced their engagements but the dates of their weddings have not been set. It is hoped that the Legislature will grant sufficient increases to pay partly for the large outlay in wedding presents.

The faculty will be badly scattered shortly after commencement. Dr. Moore will do geological work in Australia. Messrs. E. R. Shroyer and L. J. Youngs will enter the wilds of northern Wisconsin as geological surveyors. Dr. Stecker will conduct a party of tourists through Europe. Mr. W. D. Crockett will have in his "personally" Dr. Runkle and wife, while Mr. V. R. Jones will visit Germany in a party conducted by Prof. Fehr. Prof. Given, who has been absent studying abroad, expects to meet several of these tourists and they will return in a party.

Mr. C. R. Orton will study at Purdue; Mr. T. S. Sligh at Chicago; Dr. J. B. Hill at Harvard; Mr. Bucher in Germany; and Messrs. Knauss and J. E. Davis at Wisconsin.

Dr. E. S. Moore has been granted leave of absence for next year and will sail from San Francisco on S. S. Sterro of the Oceanic Steamship company, June 23rd. Two weeks will be spent in the Hawaiian Islands studying volcanoes and a month in Australia attending the Australian Meetings of the British Association for the Advancement of Science which will be held at Adelaide, Melbourne, Sydney and Brisbane. He will read at Sydney a paper on "The Structural Features of the Coal Fields of Pennsylvania and their Influence on the Origin of Anthracite Coal". The remainder of the time until Jan. 1st, 1915 he will spend in New Zealand, India, and Egypt. After Jan. 1st, he will attend the University of Berlin to take the lectures given by Professor Krusch and probably one of the Universities in Southern Germany.

News for the Reunion Classes

John F. Healey '89, the first engineering graduate of the college, recently resigned his position as general manager of the Davis Colliery company at Elkins, West Virginia, and has accepted a position as vice president of the Consolidated Fuel company of Black Hawk, Utah.

J. S. Struble '89, is resident manager of the Pacific district of the Union Switch and Signal company, with headquarters in San Francisco, California.

1894

Fred Barndollar is superintendent of the Witteman company at Buffalo, New York.

W. M. Dickinson is now located with the H. L. Dickinson company of Carnegie, Pennsylvania.

H. P. Dollar is now president of the Southmere farms and Fruit company of Florida.

John B. White is making a special trip from London to attend the twentieth reunion of his class. Mr. White is accompanied by J. B. Quigley who has been in Germany on a tip.

1899

W. L. Affelder is general manager of the Bulger Block Coal company, Bulger, Pennsylvania.

W. P. Beyerle is district superintendent of the Consolidated Gas, Electric and Power company of Baltimore, Maryland.

L. A. Harding is in the department of Mechanical Engineering of the University of Illinois.

John Newbert was married to Frederica McConnell of Kittanning, Pennsylvania.

1904

C. L. Armsby is engaged in the orange growing industry at Eustace, Florida.

Jack Elder has returned to the employ of the Michigan Central railroad as assistant engineer in the electric and signal department. Mr. Elder's headquarters will be at Detroit, Michigan.

J. H. Ludwig and P. J. Morrison are with the City Light, Heat and Power company of Johnstown, the former as mechanical engineer and the latter as general manager.

1909

H. J. Bennett is employed in the engineering department of the B. R. and P. R. R. with headquarters at DuBois, Pennsylvania.

F. H. Beyer is with the International Cement company at Spokane, Washington.

L. J. Cann is superintendent for the Mercer Iron and Coal company of Stoneboro Pennsylvania.

D. S. Devor is production manager of the Old's Motor Works at Lansing, Michigan.

W. E. Fowler is superintendent of the Paxton Brick company of Middleburg, Pennsylvania.

H. A. Hey has recently accepted a position as assistant to the general manager of the Ferro Machine and Foundry company Cleveland, Ohio.

N. B. Higgins is chief draftsman of the Pennsylvania Water and Power Company of Baltimore, Maryland.

A. R. Meek is employed as a sales engineer for the Ridgway Dynamo and Engine company of Ridgway, Pennsylvania.

F. K. Plough is employed with the Pennsylvania Steel company of Steelton, Pennsylvania.

P. B. Postelthwaite is manager of the Cincinnati office of the Wagner Electric company.

S. S. Sadler will be located after July 30 at Mt. Dora, Florida.

G. W. Woodworth is assistant superintendent of the Timber Preservation plant of the B. R. and P. R. R. at Bradford, Pennsylvania.

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Why Not Go?

The largest delegation that ever went from Penn State to any student conference leaves Friday morning at eight o'clock for the Middle Atlantic States Student Conference at Eaglesmere. The delegation will include the most representative men in college and will number 75 men. This is the first year that we will be outstripped in point of numbers by another college. Princeton plans to have 119 men at Eaglesmere.

We are seriously handicapped from the standpoint of finances. Many more men would go, but are prevented on account of the pressing problem of a summer job so as to remain in college next year. Several prominent faculty members are to be in the party. Princeton is taking a number of its varsity baseball men, but we hope to trim them in baseball as well as in other sports. Anyone, undecided, should

get in touch with a member of the committee or sign up at 273 Main. The actual expenses while at Eaglesmere are \$18.

The Summer Session.

The college property belongs to the state and should be used constantly for public benefit. In accord with that policy, the summer vacation of the regular students is used to offer a summer session for teachers, to which any teacher in the state is admitted without tuition fee.

The enterprise was begun in the summer of 1909 and has grown beyond expectation. Last summer nearly 600 teachers were enrolled. This summer the number will probably reach 1000. Every county in the state will be represented.

The Iota Beta Sigma, an honorary engineering fraternity, recently initiated the following juniors: L. E. Andrews, W. A. Blume, W. M. Edmunds, W. D. Garmen, C. F. Kennedy, N. S. Logan and W. W. Weaver.