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ADRAIN DEFEATED

Alma Decisively Out Plays Their Opponents

BOTH CONTESTS WERE CLOSE

Sandy and Hole in Great Form—Sandy Pitched No Hit Game

Last Friday and Saturday was the real test of the varsity when it lined up against the fast Adrain bunch with Rogge, their star pitcher, in the best possible shape. These were the first M. I. A. A. championship games for Alma, and according to the record that Adrain had already established by the superb pitching of Rogge, was to show Alma's true caliber. The fact that the Maroon and Cream was victorious in both contests and the way the boys played together and took advantage of all their opportunities testifies that they are second to none in the Intercollegiate. The score in both games was close, because each was pitcher's battle but Alma's men made by far the best appearance on the field. They showed the result of more thorough coaching and had life and pepper all the time and in pinches relied upon head work rather than brawn or luck. Let it be said however that the visitors put up a scrappy game and were always to be reckoned with.

Hole and Rogge were the opposing pitchers in the first game and each did wonderful work. "Olie" had the better support of the two and did not have to exert himself as much as his opponent but when the occasion demanded it he always had the batters at his mercy. Once with a man on and only one down a lightning double play by Burke, King and Phillips spoiled all chances of a score and retired the side. Burke grabbed the ball on the run and snapped it to King who quickly relayed it to Phillips.

Alma scored first in the fourth, Sandy fouled to Hawley, Burke was hit by a pitch and stole second and came home on a wild throw to catch him taking third on a poor return of the ball.

"Octy" Graham opened the sixth with a single, stole second was sacrificed to third and was driven home by Burke, who again delivered the goods at the right time.

Let it be said right here, that not once has Billy failed to produce the necessary hit when he was called upon.

Adrain scored in the eighth. Curry got a new life on Call's fumble and after being advanced on two outs scored on King's error. Arnot then singled but Roberts sent up a short fly to Sandy.

Adrain attempted to come back strong in the ninth but Metcalf and Stevens could not find "Olie" for even a resemblance of a hit and Wilson gave three mighty swings and the excitement was over.

The features of the game aside from the work of both pitchers was the fielding of Duncanson and Phillips, the catching of Graham and the timely hitting of Burke.

The team never looked better nor worked together in better shape. Much praise is due the coach and the boys for the great improvement that has been effected since spring vacation.

| ALMA | AB | R | H | PO | A | E |
|--------------|----|---|---|----|----|---|
| Graham-c | 4 | 1 | 1 | 7 | 1 | 0 |
| Call-ss | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Duncanson-cf | 3 | 0 | 1 | 4 | 1 | 1 |
| Burke-3rd | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Hole-p | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 0 |
| Phillips-1st | 2 | 0 | 1 | 7 | 0 | 0 |
| King-2nd | 3 | 0 | 1 | 5 | 5 | 1 |
| Kefgen-rf | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Montieth-lf | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | 27 | 2 | 5 | 27 | 10 | 4 |
| ADRAIN | AB | R | H | PO | A | E |
| Wilson-3rd | 5 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 1 | |
| Curry-c | 4 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 3 |
| Hawley-1st | 3 | 0 | 1 | 10 | 0 | 0 |
| Rogge-p | 3 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 0 |
| Gray-2nd | 4 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| Arnot-rf | 4 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Robert-lf | 4 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Metcalf-cf | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Stevens-ss | 4 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | 34 | 1 | 6 | 24 | 7 | 4 |

Two base hits, Duncanson; stolen bases, Burke, Duncanson, Graham; struck out, Hole 5, Rogge 8; hit by pitcher, Rogge 1, by Hole 1; sacrifice hits, Call, Phillips; double play, Call, King, Phillips. Umpire, Balmer.

The second game found Sandy Duncanson and Stevens the opposing twirlers and another pitchers battle ensued, with Sandy coming out ahead. Not one hit was made off our south paw captain and the out field did not have even a single chance. Sandy should have had a shut out except for a base on balls and a wild throw by Phillips to catch a man napping on third in the sixth inning.

Several other times Sandy got

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Y. W. C. A.

The fact that Mr. Crain addressed the Y.W.C.A. Sunday afternoon is in itself a sufficient assurance that the meeting was one of the best held this year. His subject, "The Need of Proportion in Our Lives", was chosen because it is universal in its application, essential and necessary in the life of christian and non-christian alike.

We paint the picture of our lives and the hopeless failures that often result are due to carelessness and indifference in securing the proper background, perspective, harmony, color, shade—the attributes of a perfect picture.

But by far the greater number of errors are made in the proportion we effect, in our failure to associate events, to discover their true value and importance in relation to the great aims and purposes of life. Resting almost entirely on the fundamentals of life, we live in the present, in the day, from one minor event to another. Our thoughts and energies are too often concerned with trivial matters, with transient associations and frivolities. Every wind of doctrine, every popular philosophy makes its impression on our minds, rendering us at each attack more unstable, more susceptible to new contagion. Life is not artistic, it is physical, material, utilitarian and womanhood would be more secure, more protected from the temptation to enthrone something other than the best, if the true value of events and their relation to the aims and purpose of life, were kept constantly in view.

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The following program has been prepared:

Bird Migration—Miss Ryan
A Day's Work in Birdland—Miss Martin
Rare Birds Which are Becoming Extinct—Ralph Von Thurn

RECEPTION FOR ADRAIN MEN

Friday evening a reception was held at Wright Hall in honor of the Adrain base ball team. Japanese lanterns lent their many hued charms to the scene. Speeches were made after which light refreshments were served.

Prof. Mitchell welcomed the visitors to Alma; made known his willingness to turn over the keys of the college (Wright Hall excepted) to them and ended with congratulating our rivals of the self-same afternoon and of the morrow upon their auspicious entrance into the M. I. A. A. Coach Quigley of Adrain said he was going to talk about a minute but told of the friendly rivalry that there had been between himself and Coach Carrithers since their high school days. Speeches by Mgr. Hawley of Adrain, Capt. Sandy, Coach Carrithers and Prexy followed one another in rapid succession. At this junction everyone was wishing success to the best team in the coming contest. In that spirit the reception became history.

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Wheaton, Minn., May 5, 1910.
Dear Editor:

I am enclosing herewith a little poem copied from the University of Minnesota Alumni Weekly that I should be pleased to have you give publication in the Almanian. The subject of this poem, of course, is President Northrup, but as I read it, I could not help but see in it a faithful representation of our "Prexy," and it brought so vividly to mind those brief seasons of devotion which began every day. We used to treat them lightly in our student day,—I hope you don't today,—but I am sure I voice the sentiment of an undivided alumni, when I say that we appreciate them now. And could we live those days again, I am sure we would value more no experience of college life than that little hour of worship, "At chapel time when Prexy prays."

Very sincerely,
Herold G. Gaunt, '06.

WHEN PREXY PRAYS

When Prexy prays,
Our heads all bow,
A sense of peace
Smooths every brow,
Our hearts deep stirred
No whispers raise,
At chapel time
When Prexy prays.
When Prexy prays,
All hearts unite,
And closer draws
The infinite;
No thoughtless wit
Himself displays,
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When Prexy prays.
When Prexy prays,
Our better self
Is raised above
All thoughts of self;

To nobler lives
Incline our ways,
At chapel time
When Prexy prays.

**FRESHMAN—CHIMNEY—NUM-
ERALS**

It has been done again. Not in the same old way but in an entirely original and nineteen-thirteen-like way. All of us, save some of the more sapient Sophomores, knew that those numerals would appear sooner or later and that is just what did happen between the days of Monday and Tuesday 1910 A. D. Everything sailed as smoothly as a fly on a piece of glass until the 1912 ers put in an appearance and offered to help the Verdants and that is how the trouble began. Since the time when Prexy tried to chase the billy-goat off the Wright Hall lawn there has not been a more lively or fiercer scrap.

When the Sophs had succeeded in throwing down 80 feet of ladders some dared to presume that the jig was up. But not so thought the Intrepids. They, after a tussle in which their opponents fought like a dozen Jack Johnsons, gave the 1912 men an evening bath and put them tenderly to bed. And then the daring deed of mounting to the top of the chimney was deftly done by Tecumseh "Bob."

Thus we are continually reminded of the progress of human achievement. Each succeeding generation climbs higher than its predecessor. And that reminds us again. What will 1914 do?

SEVEN AGES OF BASE BALL

All the world's a ball field
And all the men upon it merely
players:
They have their innings and their
goings out;
And one man in his time makes
many plays,
At bat and on the diamond. At
first the kidlet,
Biffing the ball about the vacant
lots.
And then the "semi-pro" with
fierce ambition
Some day to be as great as Honus
Wagner
And draw big coin. And then the
minor—
The Minor League—soon by scout
discovered;
Bought and given a try-out. Then
the Major—
The Major League—idol of the
bleachers,
Quick on bases, snappy and sure
of fielding,
Seeking the sluggers reputation,
E'en against Three-Fingered Brown
Then—pouf! benchwarming!
His leg goes bad, his arm or eye or
something.
He bats 'em out before the game,
and coaches,
In sweater clad, at first or third.
The papers
All fear he can't come back. The
sixth age shifts

To Minor Leagues again. And
there he is.
He says he's just as good as e'er
he was
But even here too fast's the com-
pany
For his bad leg or arm; his manly
voice,
Turning again toward childish
treble, blames
It on the umpire. Last scene of all,
That ends this strange, eventful
history,
Is Bush League hopelessness and
sure oblivion,
Sans speed, sans eye, sans arm,
sans everything!—Puck

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The successful man is he who can take the lemons handed him by life and sell their juices in lemonade to his neighbors.

A girl may smile and smile and be unwillin' still.

First be sure you are right then go ahead, said the wise man. It is equally good advice for the man who is sure he is left.

Marriage is not always a failure even tho the bride's father, in every instance, makes an assignment of his daughter's happiness and places her in the hands of a receiver.

HOW IT BEGAN

Naturally the hand that rocked the cradle, being gifted with mind got to wondering at length, if the world wasn't to be ruled in some manner more intellectual, spirited brilliant.

"At all events, there's more than one way to skin a cat" it reflected. And reasoning by such bold analogies, it went forward, from one position to another until, in the course of time, the most striking movement of the age was launched—Puck.

PHI PHI ALPHA

Our new members have been showing up in a remarkable and pleasing manner throughout the entire year and the interest and competition increase as the year draws near its close.

Mr. Brilmyer, who rendered his first prepared number last Monday, clearly showed ability and great originality in his production. Most of this year's men will return next fall so we will have a strong working force to start in at the beginning of next year.

EUTERPE

The following program was given in the Euterpe society Monday evening:

Roll call—Incidents from Schuberts life.

Story of Schuberts life—Miss Cook.

Schubert as a composer—Miss Montigel

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ALUMNI NOTES

Miss Laura Soule '03 who has been teaching in Harlan Academy, at Harlan, Kentucky, has returned to Alma for her summer vacation. She will spend the summer until September with her mother in their Alma home.

Mrs. Essie Hooper-Sidbotham '03 has been visiting her parents and friends in Alma the past two weeks. She will return to her home in Brooklyn in a few days. Rev. Charles W. Sidebotham and family will come back to Alma to spend the entire week of commencement festivities at the college.

It is with extreme pleasure that we print the following extract from the Zanesville, Ohio, Signal, in regard to Herry E. Porter '99, who has accepted a call to the Brighton Presbyterian church of that city.

"Rev. Harry E. Porter of Beverly has accepted the call extended him by the Brighton Presbyterian congregation and he will assume his duties as pastor of the Brighton church on June 1. The church has been without a pastor since the resignation of Rev. E. J. Wright, who is now in Pennsylvania and the call was extended to Rev. Mr. Porter a few days ago.

Rev. Mr. Porter is a young man of great ability. He has preached at this church on different occasions and made a very favorable impression on those who heard him. He is a graduate of Alma college and of Lane Theological Seminary and for nearly five years was pastor in Parkersburg, W. Va. He went to Beverly more than three years ago and since going there has been instrumental in uniting the Presbyterian and Cumberland Presbyterian churches into a very flourishing church.

Rev. Mr. Porter is stated clerk of the Athens Presbytery and also a member of the home mission committee of the Presbytery. The Brighton congregation is to be congratulated upon securing him as their pastor.

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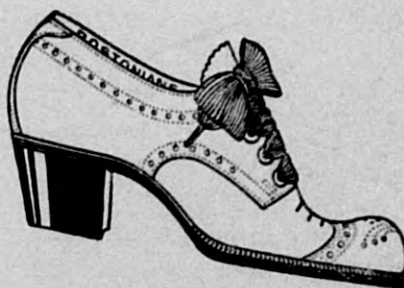
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himself into a hole by giving a base on balls but on each other occasion he retied the side on strikes. His pitching was the most remarkable performance of its kind ever seen on Davis Field. He also won his own game by driving the ball against the fence for a triple with a man on second and started a double play in the first inning after the first man had gotten on by an error.

Alma scored in the first inning, Sandy reached first on an error by Hawley, stole second and scored when Burke gladden the hearts of the fans with another of his timely singles.

Adrain tied the score in the first half of the sixth, Wilson received a base on balls was sacrificed to second and to third and scored on Phillips high throw to Burke.

In the last half of the inning "Octy" was thrown out by Gray on a fine play, Call got a two base hit and scored on Sandy's triple. Burke and Hole flied out. In an attempt to do further scoring in the eighth Coach Carrithers substituted Pohley for Montieth and he responded with a single behind second which Gray stopped but could not play to first, "Octy" got on and advanced him to second when Stevens fumbled his hard hit bounder. Both runners advanced on a passed ball but in an attempted squeeze play Pohley and Call were doubled when Stevens caught Call's bunt. Stevens showed further ability by striking out Sandy and ended the inning.

The fielding features of the game was the double play in the first inning and a pretty running one handed pick up by Burke. Phillips completed the play by making a spectacle one handed catch of the throw from a very difficult position, King played well at second, Graham caught a very good game making a wonderful catch of a high foul and otherwise playing good ball.

Alma now has four M. I. A. A. games to its credit, as Kalamazoo forfeited two games early in the season, and has the only perfect record of the team in the intercollegiate.

Saturday the varsity plays the old time rival Albion on the local field and a very spirited contest is expected.

| Alma | AB | R | H | PO | A | E |
|--------------|----|---|---|----|---|---|
| Graham-c | 4 | 0 | 0 | 10 | 3 | 0 |
| Call-ss | 4 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 |
| Duncanson-p | 4 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 0 | |
| Burke-3rd | 3 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| Hole-cf | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Phillips-1st | 3 | 0 | 1 | 11 | 0 | 1 |
| King-2nd | 2 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 0 |
| Kefgen-rf | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Montieth-lf | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Pohley-lf | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

| Total | AB | R | H | PO | A | E |
|------------|----|---|---|----|----|---|
| Adrain | 29 | 2 | 5 | 27 | 12 | 2 |
| Wilson-3rd | 3 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Curry | 4 | 0 | 0 | 10 | 1 | 3 |
| Hawley-1st | 2 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 1 |
| Rogge-ss | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Gray-2nd | 4 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 3 | 0 |
| Arnot-rf | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Roberts-lf | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Metcalf-cf | 3 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Stevens-p | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 1 |

Total 27 1 0 24 7 5
2 Base hits, Call; three base hits, Duncanson; stolen bases, Graham, Duncanson 3, Hawley; base on balls, Stevens 1, Duncanson 4; hit by ball, Duncanson 1; struck out, Duncanson 8, Stevens 10; double play, Duncanson, King, Phillips. Umpire, Ellsworth.

BEAT HAL'S NORMALS

Alma Trims Old Rivals by Small Score

Last Wednesday the varsity met and defeated Helmer's Mt. Pleasant Normal team in a very scrappy and interesting game by the score of 2 to 0.

The game was a pitchers battle between Sandy Duncanson and Spross. Each allowed only four hits but Sandy kept hits scattered and at critical moments showed his master hand by striking out the Normal's heavy hitters and holding them runless throughout.

The fact that the game was only a little over an hour long signifies that there was something doing all the time. The teams were very evenly matched and at all times showed high class. Each team turned off a nice double play at a critical moment.

Graham opened the game with a single into right, was sacrificed to second by Call and scored on Sandy's ripping double into center Burke and Hole flied out to pitcher and center.

Alma scored again in the sixth. Graham flied to Reynolds, Call drew a pass and stole second, Sandy popped to Coutant but "Billy" Burke was the man of the hour again, with a slashing single which scored Call, Hole singled to right and Burke was caught at the plate

for the third out. Mt. Pleasant threatened to score in the ninth but a pretty double play Call to King to Phillips retired the side in lightning order.

This was the first game in which Sandy has shown his real form and he was backed up in excellent shape.

King was seen at second in his first appearance in an Alma base ball uniform and gave a good account of himself.

| Alma | AB | R | H | PO | A | E |
|--------------|----|---|---|----|---|---|
| Graham-c | 4 | 1 | 1 | 6 | 1 | 0 |
| Call-ss | 3 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Duncanson-p | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 0 |
| Burke-3rd | 2 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 1 |
| Hole-rf | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| King-2nd | 3 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 2 | 0 |
| Phillips-1st | 3 | 0 | 0 | 10 | 1 | 0 |
| Campbell-cf | 2 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 1 |
| Montieth-lf | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Lindley-lf | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

| Total | AB | R | H | PO | A | E |
|---------------|----|---|---|----|----|---|
| Mt. Pleasant | 26 | 2 | 4 | 27 | 11 | 3 |
| Elmore-c | 4 | 0 | 1 | 5 | 0 | 1 |
| Richards-2nd | 4 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 |
| Crwford-lf | 4 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Levirmore-1st | 3 | 0 | 1 | 7 | 0 | 1 |
| Hoolihan-3rd | 4 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 4 | 0 |
| Bradish-cf | 4 | 0 | 1 | 6 | 0 | 0 |
| Reynolds-rf | 3 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Coutant-ss | 3 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| Spross-p | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 5 | 0 |

Total 31 0 4 24 13 3
Two base hits, Burke, Crawford, Levermore; sacrifice hits, Call, Campbell; first base on ball, Duncanson 2, Spross 1; struck out, Duncanson 5, Spross 4; stolen bases,

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