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ALBION CONQUERED

M.I.A.A. Champions Again Bite the Dust

MILLER KNOCKED OUT

Sandy Hold Them Safe and Alma Adds Another Victory

O, JOY! O, BLISS! Alma has again meet and defeated the Albion college base ball hopefuls. Not once in the last four years has Albion been able to put one over on us, try as hard as they could. Alma continued to carry its usual hoodoo for Albion—that of consistent slugging accordingly last Saturday another Albion pitcher was knocked from the mound, Chine Miller retiring in the second after a single, a double, and a triple had been rudely appropriated from him.

This makes a total of eight victories against two defeats for the season one by the Saginaw League team and the other by the U. of M. Alma's M.I.A.A. record however stands perfect, with five victories and no defeats.

Sandy Duncanson was again on the mound and though not feeling in the best shape pitched a remarkable game and would have been credited with another shut out but for a base on balls, a fluky single by Miller and a passed ball. Only two hits were gathered off him, one a perfect bunt by Brown on the first ball delivered and Miller's single. Sandy struck out nine men but put himself in a hole several times by giving walks. At no time however were any of the Albion batters able to do anything with him. The way he was pitching he didn't need much support except at the bat and that was to be had in lots. Eight hits in all were made by his team including three doubles and a triple. With better work on the bases Alma could have had several more scores—but enough is enough. The Albion men arrived full of confidence the night before and were intent upon winning the game at start. Brown cleverly bunted the first ball down the left foul line and was safe, Allman popped to Burke, Wilson got on 1st on an error by Phillips, Octy Craham caught McKale's high foul and Sandy

threw out Knickerbocker ending the trouble.

Hole headed the Alma list and got on first when Knickerbocker fumbled his nasty bounder, Cal sacrificed him to second. Sandy popped to Allman, Billy Burke used the big stick and singled to right but Hole was caught at the plate trying to score from second.

Graham opened the last half of the second inning by grounding to Funk, Phillips drew a base on balls and scored on Kefgen's smash which went for three bases by virtue of a bad bound past Lee in left field. Montieth scored Kefgen with a single and Hole doubled to right but Monty was held at third. This being a most appropriate place. Mr. Miller made his exit from the pitcher's box and contented himself with right garden for the remainder of the game.

Albion scored its lone run in the fifth. Lee struck out, Emmons drew a base on balls took second on Miller's single, went to third on Brown's out and scored on a passed ball. Wilson ended the inning by fouling to Phillips.

Alma scored its other run in the eighth. Burke was given free transportation to first was sacrificed to second by Call and scored on Phillip's ripping two bagger passed Miller in right, Kefgen got on by Brown's error but Knickerbocker gathered in Montieth bounder, touched Kefgen on the line and threw to Funk in time to get Monty making a very pretty double play.

The excitement reached its height in the ninth when Albion came to bat for the last time but they were entirely under Sandy's thumb and only three men faced him, Funk grounded to Burke and was thrown out on a pretty play. Lee again struck out and Emmons grounded lightly to Phillips.

The features of Albion's play was the fine fielding of Capt. Knickerbocker, Wilson's pretty catch in center off Sandy and Emmons steady pitching. For Alma outside of Sandy's work the batting of Phillips and Burke is particularly worthy of mention but the whole team played a very steady game and fought like veterans.

Next week will be a heavy one for the team. Wednesday they play Mt. Pleasant normals at Mt. Pleasant, Friday, Hillsdale College at Hillsdale and Saturday M.A.C. at Lansing. Here's hoping they may keep up the good work.

Alma	A	B	R	H	P	O	A	E
Hole-cf	4	0	1	0	0	0	0	0

Call-ss	2	0	0	0	4	1
Duncanson-p	4	0	1	1	2	0
Burke-3rd	3	1	2	1	1	0
Graham-c	3	0	0	11	2	1
Phillips-1st	3	1	2	13	0	1
Kefgen-rf	4	1	1	0	0	0
Montieth-lf	3	0	1	1	0	0
King-2nd	3	0	0	0	0	0

Total	29	3	8	27	9	3		
Albion	A	B	R	H	P	O	A	E
Brown-3rd	4	0	1	3	1	1		
Allman-ss	3	0	0	1	1	0		
Wilson-cf	4	0	0	2	0	0		
McKale-c	3	0	0	5	1	0		
Knickerbocker-2nd	3	0	0	1	6	1		
Funk-1st	4	0	0	12	1	0		
Lee-lf	3	0	0	0	0	0		
Karr-rf	1	0	0	0	0	0		
Miller-p-rf	3	0	1	0	1	0		
Emmons-p	2	1	0	0	1	0		

Total	30	1	2	24	12	2						
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	R	H	E	
Alma	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	3	8	3
Albion	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	2	2

Two base hits, Phillips (2) Hole. Three base hits, Kefgen, sacrifice hits, Call, Graham, Montieth.

Struck out, Duncanson 9, Emmons 4. Base on balls, Duncanson 5, Miller 1, Emmons 2. Stolen bases, Allman, Double play, Graham and Phillips, Knickerbocker and Funk. Umpire, Ellsworth.

THE GAME IMPROVED

Former All America Quarterback Likes the New Foot Ball Rules.

The action of the intercollegiate football rules committee in adopting the rules of limiting the forward pass back of the line of scrimmage and reducing the number of yards to be gained in three downs from ten to eight is a move in the right direction for the preservation of the great college sport, says Walter H. Eckersall, former All-American quarterback, in the Chicago Tribune.

The change of limiting the forward pass is a good one, although it did not meet with the approval of all members of the rules committee, and it is a certainty that all the coaches will not be in sympathy with the move. The alteration is the result of a compromise between two factions of the committee, one of which wanted the forward pass abolished entirely while the other wanted the play to remain.

It is almost a certainty that forward passes will not be much in

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M.A.C. ALSO BEATEN

Locals Take M.A.C. Into Camp by 5 to 4 Score

MADE TEN HITS OFF M.A.C.

Sndy Pitches Wonderful Ball and Is Well Supported

Meeting the fast base ball aggregation from the Michigan Agricultural College for the first time in two years Alma took them into camp last Wednesday in a very decisive game by the score of 5 to 4.

The game was not of the sensational order particularly, but was characterized by Sandy Duncanson's superb twirling, and the steady fielding and heavy batting by the local team. Until the eighth inning only one hit and no runs were gathered of Sandy and that hit was of the scratch variety. On the other hand Alma made ten hits off Pattison who had pitched such remarkable ball this season for M. A. C. and who a week previous held Michigan to five singles of the ten hits, five were two-baggers and the rest good healthy singles.

For Alma, the first six men went out one, two, three but all seemed to be hitting the ball. In the 3rd inning Campbell the first man up laced out a two bagger, was advanced to third by King and scored on Phillips single over first, Graham followed with a single which put Phillips on second but Phil was caught off the bag a few seconds later on a nice peg by TeRoller. Call ended the inning by popping to Rains.

Alma should have scored in the fourth. Sandy opened with a scorching single into right but was bobbled when Pattison caught Burke's attempted bunt, McCloy followed with a single over third, Campbell knocked a short fly back of third which Rains cleverly gathered in and the rally was over.

The heavy artillery began its work again in the sixth. This time for better results. Call drew base on balls and scored on Sandys double, Burke and McCloy each followed with doubles and Hole a single. These hits and an error by Rains and a passed ball by TeRoller netted four runs, Campbell hit a long fly to left with two on, on

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Saturday evening the Science club gave the program mentioned in last week's paper. There was considerable interest shown by both town people and students in the papers given by the members of the club and in the illustrated lecture given by Prof. MacCurdy.

Miss Ryan reviewed various theories which have been proposed to account for the migration of birds. The food supply theory and the follow-the-leader theory received the largest share of attention, since these theories admit of experimental study. Such other theories as the Instinct Theory, the Semicircular Canal theory, Magnetism theory, and Land Mark theory were briefly discussed.

Miss Martin gave a paper on a Days Work in Bird Land. Parts of the paper are given below:

Bird study is not a fad, but is coming to be recognized as an important part of a general education, if we would preserve our native birds and thus also protect our vegetation from the ravages of insects and other enemies. Prof. Hodge of Clarke University in observing an orchard Oriole's nest states that, the feeding of the young begins as early as 4:35 a. m. and didn't end until 6:10 in the evening. The intervals between

feeding periods averaged about twelve minutes. The food consisted principally of locusts and caterpillars.

A wren was observed to begin feeding her young at 4:24 a. m. The young were fed 234 times during the day upon choice morsels such as cutworms, grasshoppers and caterpillars.

Many birds are recorded as harmful because they have been compelled by the loss of native fruits to feed upon cultivated fruits. When a closer study of them shows that the fruit which they eat is small in amount as compared with the good which they do in destroying pests. It is known that where wild fruits are within reach birds feed upon them rather than upon the cultivated fruits. The robin has been complained of as a destroyer of fruits but a study of that bird by the biological survey of the Department of Agriculture shows that nearly 50 per cent of its food is animal matter principally insects, while only about 4 per cent is possibly cultivated fruits.

It is estimated that in Mass. the birds eat 21000 bushels of insects a day and in Nebraska 170 car loads. Even the hawks and owls which are generally regarded as harmful do more good than harm for experience has shown that where they have been killed off the meadow mice and other animals destructive of crops increase in numbers so great as to cause losses of grain and orchards, many times as great as the supposed losses due to those birds themselves.

Mr. Ralph Von Thurn's paper was about rare birds that are becoming extinct and some of those that are already so. Among those that are extinct he mentioned the Great Auk, Labrador Duck, Carrier Pigeon, Ivory Billed Woodpecker, The Carolina Parrot and the Masked Quail. Others that are very rare are the Great Vulture of the South west, the Whooping Crane, the Trumpeter Swan, Sandhill Crane, Eider Duck, Aigrette, Falcon, Snowy Heron and the proud Golden Eagle.

Prof. MacCurdy's lecture was greatly appreciated by everyone. The colored slides which he took so much trouble to get were excellent and added greatly to the interest and value of the lecture. About sixty slides had to do with the classification of birds and their traits and habitat. The rest were illustrative of the methods of hunting with a camera and showed the value of photography coupled with patience and ingenuity in the study of bird life.

ALPHA THETA ENTERTAIN

When the Alpha Thetas entertain they entertain. That is why their invitations to a dancing party to be given in the Froebel rooms on May 13 was so unanimously accepted.

On the evening of the event the

guests arrived promptly, no one seemingly desired to be fashionably late at the expense of missing any of the fun.

Soon there were assembled Euterpes, Froebels, Philomatheans, Faculty and other not worthy guests. All were welcomed by the hostesses and given dainty dance programs which were speedily filled.

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M. A. C. ALSO BEATEN

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which McCloy should have scored. King struck out and Phillips popped to Orr.

M.A.C. scored in the eight, Gerenflo reached first on Call's error but was forced at second by Baker who scored on Pattisons double. Weston grounded to Sandy and was thrown out at first.

In the ninth Sandy seemed to let up a bit. This with some lucky hits by Rains, Harvey and Orr and an error by Call gave M.A.C. three easy runs. Sandy had previously struck out Courtright and Geremflo, so he ended the disturbance by making a swell play on TeRoller's high bounder.

Sandy struck out thirteen men, most of them at critical times. He was a complete puzzle to some of their heavy hitters, striking out Courtright four times, Rains and TeRoller each three times.

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Graham-c	4 0 1 1 0 0	
Call-ss	3 1 0 0 1 2	
Duncanson-p	4 1 2 0 2 0	
Burke-3rd	4 1 1 0 3 1	
McCloy-1st	4 1 2 1 0 0	
Hole-1st	4 0 2 4 0 0	
Campbell-c	4 1 1 13 0 0	
King-2nd	2 0 0 1 1 0	
Phillips-1st	3 0 1 7 0 0	

Total	32	5	10	27	7	3
	1	2	3	4	5	6
Alma	0	0	1	0	4	0
M.A.C.	0	0	0	0	0	0

Two base hits, Campbell, Duncanson, Burke, McCloy, Hole, Harvey, Orr. Struck out, Duncanson 13, Pattison 3. Base on balls, Pattison 1; sacrifice hits, King; stolen bases, 0; double plays, Pattison and Orr. Umpire, Ellsworth.

THE GAME IMPROVED

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evidence this fall, for it is hard to conceive of making much ground with the play when the ball can only be passed forward, back of the line of scrimmage. Instead of the long throw, which has characterized the play since its adoption, most of the coaches will use short or hand to hand passes. Plays will be evolved of the split interference variety, and in this sort of attack the forward pass will be used to the best advantage.

The restriction placed upon the pass and reduction of the distance to be gained in three attempts are changes which will gladden the hearts of the old time football warriors, for the alterations will make the game more like the one which was played before the rules were changed so radically in the winter of 1905-'06. Practically the only difference which will be noticeable at once will be the lack of aid to

the player carrying the ball. At its meeting in New York in March the rules committee passed a rule that the runner is not to be pulled or pushed in his attempts to gain ground. With the exception of the heavy, concentrated attacks on one spot, the game will be more like the one played six years ago.

In reducing the distance to be gained the committee made a rule which will encourage the old style attack of drives on and off the tackles, and the use of end runs. This change will allow teams to try to gain ground without danger of losing the ball on any of their attempts unless they fail to make the required distance. There will be no more of the chance element with the forward pass and the monotonous feature of penalizing for incompleted passes, a thing which has become boresome to the average spectator.

Instead of spending days in perfecting forward pass plays, which nine times out of ten have not worked successfully in games, coaches can now turn their attention to evolving plays in which there will be no danger of losing the ball, and which, if properly perfected, should be sure ground gainers.

The new rules are sure to have a great effect on the game as it has been played in the last six years. The style of attack to be used in the future will resemble the old game, and there will be none of the flukes which have made many of the games played under the new regime end so unfavorably. Games will now be won or lost on the merits of the competing teams and the style of football should prove to be more interesting to the spectators and players.

The other rules which were adopted seem to be good ones and should go a long way in eliminating the dangerous features of the game. If they are followed by all the colleges, it is a certainty that the number of deaths and injuries will be fewer than in past years.

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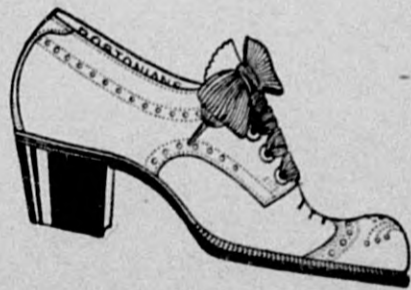
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TRIANGULAR TRACK MEET

Thursday afternoon the first triangular meet ever held by Ypsilanti, Mt Pleasant and Alma took place on Davis Field. The day was cold with a biting wind from the west. Competition was keen throughout the entire meet, now one institution leading now another.

At the start Alma took both first and third in 100 yard dash repeating the performance in the 880 yard run. Then Mt. Pleasant won first place in both the low and high hurdles but Alma won first in the 220 yard dash and in the high jump.

Ypsilanti took the lead in points when it came to the weights. The Cole brothers won first and second respectively in the shot, hammer and discus. Such throwing of the hammer and discus Alma has not been seen since the days of Big Mac who still holds the intercollegiate record in the latter event.

Considering the cold all the contestants did themselves proud but as in all contests a certain few distinguished themselves.

For Ypsilanti the Cole brothers proved to be the biggest gainers of points; J. Cole winning three firsts in the weights, W. Cole gaining three seconds in the same events and also a third in the low hurdles thus making a total of twenty-five points for the pair—almost half of Ypsi's team score.

For Mt. Pleasant Richards and Hoolihan were in the limelight, Hoolihan winning three points each in the hundred and two-twenty dashes while Richards won three first—low hurdles, high hurdles, pole vault—second in the broad jump and third in the hammer throw. A total of 19 points to his credit.

Capt. "Fleety" McComb led in the point winning for Alma winning first in the hundred two twenty and eight-eighty besides gaining a big lead for his teammates in the relay race. Keopfgan won the high and broad jumps and made three points in the pole vault. Campbell won the quarter in 54.4-5 seconds but in the relay his time was 53 sec but unconscious of making record time he voluntarily slackened his speed for the last 150 yards so we are safe in saying that he could easily have made it in less than 52 and that despite the cold weather.

Gage won the mile easily also made a point in the high hurdle. Boyd tho far from being in form, won third in the half and set the pace for Gage in the mile. Drake, whose class work prevented his taking a part in the trackwork until eight days previous to the meet, won third in the two-mile, a third however that lacked only a few yards from being a first.

Edgerton and Misener did good work in the weights. Von Thurn who by virtue of being pitted against the best two men in the first preliminary in the low hurdles and as a consequence was eliminated will show Alma something in the hurdling line yet for he, in practice has run them in 27 sec which is considerably lower than the time made in any intercollegiate dual or tri-angular meet this year.

SUMMARIES

100-yard dash—McComb, Alma, first; Hoolihan, Mt. Pleasant, second; Campbell, Alma, third: time 10:2-5.

880-yard run—McComb, Alma, first; Wise, Ypsilanti, second; Boyd, Alma, third: time 2:13 13-5.

220-yard hurdles—Richards, Mt. Pleasant, first; Taque, Ypsilanti, second; Cole, Ypsilanti, third: time 29 sec.

Mile run—Gage, Alma, first; Brundage, Ypsilanti, second; McCarty, Mt. Pleasant, third: time 5.16.

220-yard dash—McComb, Alma, first; Hoolihan, Mt. Pleasant, second; Glenny, Ypsilanti, third: time 24 sec.

120-yard high hurdles—Richards, Mt. Pleasant, first; Tague, Ypsilanti, second; Gage, Alma, third: time, 18 sec.

High jump—Kefgen, Alma, first; Milton, Ypsilanti, second; Spross, Mt. Pleasant, third: height 5 feet 3 inches.

440-yard dash—Campbell, Alma, first; Howard, Ypsilanti, second; Owens, Ypsilanti, third: time 54 4-5 sec.

Pole vault—Kefgen, Alma, first; Richards, Mt. Pleasant, second; Davis, Ypsilanti, third: height, 9 feet 10 inches.

Two mile run—Mills, Ypsilanti, first; Brundage, Ypsilanti, second; Drake, Alma, third: time, 12 min 26 sec.

Broad jump—Kefgen, Alma, first; Richards, Mt. Pleasant, second; Milton, Ypsilanti, third: distance, 19 feet 5 3/4 inches.

Shot put—J. Cole, Ypsilanti, first; W. Cole, Ypsilanti, second; Edgerton, Alma, third: distance, 38 feet 8 3/4 inches.

Discus throw—J. Cole, Ypsilanti, first; W. Cole, Ypsilanti, second; Bradish, Mt. Pleasant, third: distance, 114 feet 8 3/4 inches.

Hammer throw—J. Cole, Ypsilanti, first; W. Cole, Ypsilanti, second; Richards, Mt. Pleasant, third: distance 118 ft 4 in.

Mile relay—McComb, Gage, Chapel, Campbell, Alma, first; Wise, Davis, Owens, Howard, Ypsilanti, second; Bradish, Allen,

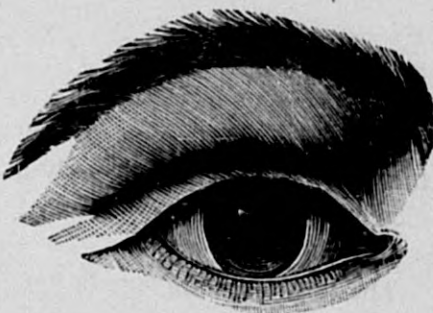
Elmore, Hoolihan, Mt. Pleasant, third: time, 3 min 49 sec.

Summary—Ypsilanti, 55; Alma, 48; Mt. Pleasant, 28.

Saturday May 21 our track team will compete with M. A. C. and Olivet at Lansing. Judging from the very creditable showing the team in both the dual and triangular meets we think they will win much honor for Alma at Lansing Saturday. [LINDLEY

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