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SUCCESSFUL SEASON

The 1910 Football Team Have the Intercollegiate Championship

COACH GRADY MAKES GOOD

The Work of All the Men is Very Creditable to Them

Alma has finished her most successful football season in eight years. Not since the championship days of 1902 have teams representing the Maroon and Cream on the gridiron brought honors to Alma that Grady's men have won. True many strong teams have represented Alma in the past few years, many notable victories have been gained, and every year our teams have stood high among the colleges, but this year the victories were decisive and complete and as the Detroit News has said: "Alma may rightfully claim to be champions of Michigan's minor colleges."

Many Alma supporters are wont to claim the M.I.A.A. championship for Alma, while Olivet protesting, because she played the greater number of games, lays claim to the championship. We would remind both Alma and Olivet supporters that there is no M.I.A.A. football championship as specifically laid down by the association.

However Alma is a member of the M.I.A.A. and as such she must be considered in the championship 'dope.' Alma's unquestionable superiority over Olivet, as shown by the 14-3 score, ranks our team above the Crimson, and Olivet's claim to the championship only furthers and more securely establishes the Maroons as champs. But Alma prefers to abide by the M.I.A.A. "blue book" and for herself only asks to be rightfully acknowledged the champions of Michigan's minor colleges.

The Almanian early predicted a successful season for the Maroons. This prediction was not the usual stereotyped optimistic view. We recognized in our coach an exceptionally capable man, we knew the many veterans of last year's team would present a defensive line that would be almost impenetrable, while in Capt. Kefgen we saw a strong leader. To Cook's boot we trusted the play to be kept from the danger zone. Then there were some splendid new men, and as has been proved by the team's record, our prediction was fulfilled. The excellent record cannot be attributed to any one of these things, but harmony, hard work and excellent judgment, more nearly accounts for the success.

It was with a most unsatisfactory victory from Saginaw high school that Coach Grady journeyed with his men to M.A.C. there to meet a team, which in the succeeding weeks easily defeated Lake Forest, held Michigan to a standstill, and gave Longman's sturdy warriors from Notre Dame a stiff beating, only to return the following Saturday with the scalps of Marquette's gladiators. Such was the team our men had

to face. Almost certain they were of defeat. This added to their poor showing of the week before and their lack of confidence, it is a wonder to many that M.A.C. made only 11 points. But our coach had called forth all the spirit that has marked Alma's men in the past. M.A.C. not only found our line solid but our ends proved nearly as formidable. Resorting to trick plays the Aggies scored two touchdowns. Inexperience of our new men proved to be our weakness, but as a Freshman afterwards said, "I learned more foot ball in the M.A.C. game than I ever imagined existed." It was an excellent lesson, that game, for the following Saturday saw Ypsi beaten 22-6. Ferris Institute was next to suffer defeat at Alma's hands and the season closed with a clean victory over Olivet.

Of the 1910 team only Capt. Kefgen and Chapel graduate, thus assuring a veteran team for 1911. These men will be greatly missed, for the past season saw them better than ever before.

Cook and Von Thurn, the only juniors

Misenar and Anderson filled the guard positions. Both giants and of great strength, it was possible to play an open center on defense. No team was able to gain consistently through center. Olie's speciality this year was blocking kicks. Both men will return.

Two Freshmen took care of the ends. Stiffler and Hyde. Both are hard, fierce tacklers, possessed of fine judgment and plenty of nerve. Without them a championship would have been hardly possible. These men are to be on hand next year.

Marks lived up to his high "rep", as few men do. He stepped into left-half and showed some open field running that caused Olivet's down fall. At the first of the season he was shy on "condition" but a couple weeks of hard work put him in fine shape. His great run in the Olivet game earned him a place as a "star."

At quarterback there was the liveliest scrap of the year—Ewing, Harwood and Rogers were the contenders, and all played in the majority of the games

FORMER ALMA MEN

Week's News of Alumni From all Over

WM. WINTON IN DETROIT

Prof. E. H. Casterline Writes to President Bruske From Porto Rico

The Detroit Free Press of Nov. 14 runs the cuts of two former Alma men. On the sporting page is a big picture of Joe Magidsohn, the University of Michigan's great half-back. On another page is a likeness of William Winton '01 and the following information concerning the gentleman:



The Men Who Did It

From left to right: Upper row, Asst. Coach Hurst, Coach Grady, Manager Mitchell; second row, King, Johnson, Edgerton, Anderson, Chapel, Marks, Yerex; third row, Cook, Hooper, Harwood, vonThurn, Rogers; bottom row, Hyde, Misenar, Kefgen, Ewing and Stiffler.

on the team will both be back. Cook's punting, accurate passing, and strength on offence and defense marks him as one of the best full backs in the state. Von Thurn played in hard luck all the year. Two bad ankles kept him on the side lines much of the time. When in shape he is an exceptionally strong line man.

Edgerton and Johnson, who came to be the regular tacklers, were tons of strength both offensively and defensively. The former's wonderful power made him irresistible in attack, while Johnson's "heady" playing and great knowledge of the game made him a fine running mate for "Ox".

Harwood had hard luck as a sprained ankle held him back. All three played stellar ball, and the finest thing of all is they will be here next season to 'scrap' it out again.

Hooper, King and Yerex were "subs," and to them much consideration is due. They were capable of jumping into the game at any moment, without any noticeable weakness to the team. We will see them again in 1911 no doubt, filling the positions made vacant by this year's losses.

Coach Grady attended the Michigan-Wisconsin game at Ann Arbor, Saturday.

William Winton has devoted over six years to the study of life insurance contracts, and connected himself with the Mutual Benefit Life Insurance Company only after careful investigation, which began during his college course. He comes from a family of lawyers and has turned his natural legal ability to this one phase of life insurance.

"Mr. Winton graduated from Alma college in 1904. He was business manager of the college paper in his senior year. At an earlier period, Mr. Winton gained experience in selling goods by managing a retail wall paper

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CHANGE IN ALMANIAN.

You have no doubt noticed the changed appearance in this week's Almanian. The size of the type has been reduced from what is known as "ten point" to "eight point." This gives us an addition of practically one fourth of the space in the paper, since that much more matter can be set in smaller type. We had it in our editorial craniums to enlarge the Almanian to a five column sheet, but when the high mogul in the business office sets his mathematical abilities to work upon the subject, these editorial pipe dreams were suddenly jarred to smithereens because it was found that finances would not permit it.

This matter of finances was gone over carefully. Estimates of the cost of enlarging the paper were given, and compared with the estimated receipts; the receipts were found to be lacking by a large margin. We are receiving good support from the merchants, the college is aiding us as much as they think they are able, and yet the receipts will barely cover expenditures. Thus, it is plain to be seen that when the Almanian becomes a five column paper there must be better financial support from the college and a hearty, willing support from the students.

Now, in making the change to the smaller type in this issue an additional burden in work and expense is being incurred. You must help us bear it if it is to be continued. There are a good many positive things that this means but there is one important negative thing. That is, you must stop your "knocking." We shall be glad to receive criticisms that will help us make the Almanian a better college paper, but don't like to get disagreeable second hand gossip. If you don't want the Almanian, order it stopped before you have received any more numbers gratis. If you want to knock just to hear yourself talk, tell your troubles to a policeman. In the mean time the Almanian board of control will continue to manage this weakly tag as they think best.

Theron Chapel

In Theron Chapel we find a fine example of perseverance, loyalty, and patriotism. Some men demand recognition in the way of honor in return for their efforts. Few are satisfied to work on day after day and year after year in a quiet unassuming way. Mr. Chapel is in his fourth year at Alma. During all

this time his work in athletics has been marked by his faithfulness and steadiness. Never disgruntled or complaining, every night he was out for practice, doing that which he was asked. Playing and working with his whole might, he has come



"Chapel"

to be the strongest center that has ever played on an Alma team.

But not alone in athletics has he come to hold the respect and admiration of his fellow students. In the class room his thoroughness has brought him into high standing. Everything that he has ever attempted in college activities has been marked by a noteworthy earnestness of purpose. Mr. Chapel is a man of endeavor and loyalty, who finds satisfaction only in honest accomplishment.

BASKET BALL

Preparations for basket ball are already under way. The schedule is partially arranged and practice for class games has started. It is the policy to pick from the class teams the squad to compose the first and second teams and much depends on the showing of the men in the inter-class contests. Capt. Cook is hard at work rounding up prospective candidates, while Coach Grady is fixing up the gym and arranging a schedule. Of last year's team, Cook, Kefgen, Fraker, Edgerton, Chapel and Hooper will be out, while von Thurn, Ewing, and Pohly of the squad will be on hand. Little is known of the new men, but a feeling prevails that there is much good material among the Freshmen.

The games thus far arranged are:
Mt. Pleasant at Alma Jan. 10
M.A.C. at Lansing Jan. 20
Mt. Pleasant at Mt. Pleasant Jan. 27
Ypsi at Ypsi Feb. 3
Hope at Holland Feb. 10
M.A.C. at Alma Feb. 14
Olivet at Alma Feb. 18
Negotiations are on for games with Adrian and Albion.

ABOUT PEOPLE.

Prof. Edson has returned to his home in Scottsville, New York. His place is being filled by student instructors until a teacher to fill his position can be found.

Frank Anderson went to his home in Omena last week. He may not enter college again this fall on account of his health.

Maurice Rushmore received a pair of pajamas last week. They were conspicuously posted in Pioneer hall for some time until Maurice rescued them. Moral: don't have any more sent by mail.

General Vaccination has been here for a week or so. He is working pretty steadily at present.

Yerex's hair in the football picture, like a good man, seems to be hard to keep down.

Miss Gillard says that you would never know that he was a King from the way he makes love, speaking of Shakespeare.

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BOTH PHONES

ALUMNI NOTES

W. R. Moon is in his junior year in Detroit College of Medicine. Ray has done every kind of work afforded by a great city, among other things having acted as superintendent of the west side affairs of the Peoples' Ice company, director of the Free Press fresh air camp, teacher of night classes at the Y. M. C. A. and proprietor of a tent at the state fair. The past summer he conducted one of the city play grounds, and at present is physical director at the Hebrew institution on High street.

A letter comes from John G. Schwar-der of Valier, Montana. Johnnie played shortstop on the base ball team in '00 and '01 and was one of the best ball players who ever represented the Ma-ron and Cream. He writes many in-teresting items concerning his ten years experience in the west and is pleased with his location, where he is in the general merchandise business. Among other things he says, "You know I have lost track of all my old friends, and when I get to thinking of those old times, of those old friends of college days, it makes me want to know where they are and what they are doing. So you will find enclosed one dollar for subscription to the Almanian.

"Have you a list of alumni? If so I would like to know the whereabouts of Ray Baker, Henry Soule, Jake Foote, McBride, Dunning, and Kramer; also Misses Mable Howard, Queenie Perry, Carolyn Butler, Anna Mahoney and Miss Inglis; in fact any of the old boys and girls of my time.

"I suppose Alma has grown consider-ably since I left. I've had many a laugh at some of the pranks I was in, and some that I got blamed for that I never was in. Well its all in a life time and the time I spent in Alma was one of the best parts of it. Trusting that you will write me at the earliest convenience I am your friend."

John G. Schwar-der.

NO THANKSGIVING VACATION.

In accordance with the request of the state board of health, the faculty has decided that there shall be no Thanksgiv-ing vacation this year and that no stu-dent will be allowed to leave the city during the coming week. There will be no classes Thanksgiving day but there will be Friday. To recompense the stu-dents for the loss of a day of vacation now, an extra day will be given Christ-mas.

NEW BOOKS IN THE LIBRARY

- Casson—History of the Telephone.
- Twain—Huckleberry Finn.
- Brandes—Wm. Shakespeare, A Critical Study.
- Brandes—Main Currents in 19th Century Literature.
- Courthope—History of English Poetry.
- Wiedersheim—Comparative Anatomy of Vertebrates.
- Howard—Insect Book.
- Metcalf—Organic Evolution.
- DeVries—Mutation Theory.
- Doane—Insects and Disease.
- Chapman—Warblers of North America
- Duggar—Fungus Diseases of Plants.
- Fernow—Care of Trees.
- Manning—Fourth Dimension.
- Fou-nier—Electron Rheory.
- Hough—Human Mechanism.
- Vandewalker—Kindergarten in Ameri-can Education.
- Horne—Philosophy of Education.
- Butler—Meaning of Education.
- Mother Goose Complete Rhymes and Jingles.
- Morley—Song of Life.
- Morley—Life and Love.
- Baldwin—Fifty Famous Stories of the East.
- Baldwin—Fifty Famous Stories Retold.
- Bryan—How to Tell Stories to Chil-dren.

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AN OPENED LETTER

Dear Ma:
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Yes, everybody has been vaccinated and they won't let us go down town. Prexie says we must breathe through our noses.

Pink and Prexie get all mixed up in chapel as to who should and who have been vaccinated. I have. I hope it works.

We don't have any Thanksgiving vaca-tion. I don't see what I've got to be thankful for. We get an extra day on the Christmas vacation.

I feel awful. Hoping you are the same,
Your owny own,
Mary Jane.

RENO.

I'm on my way to Brainard's
To Brainard's I must go,
To have my left arm punctured,
By a pretty nurse, by Jo.
When pretty nurses vaccinate,
Then no cross doc can lacerate,
Shouting the battle cry of vaccine.

TABLE TOPICS.

The following are "respectively" of-fered as topics for discussion at the Thanksgiving dinner:

If Ole had the measles, what would be the size of each measles?

To get the most out of the college course, or to get out of most of the college course,—which?

Is the anti-stiddy club yet? If not, why not?

If Cramer ever tried to sing again the way he did once, what would we do to him?

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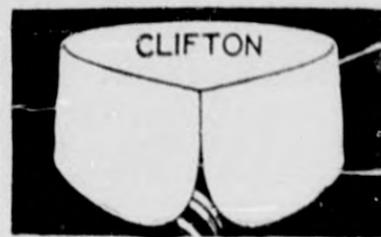
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