

# The Weekly Almanian

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## LETTERS ARE AWARDED

The foot ball men were awarded their A's during chapel Tuesday and the scrubs for their faithful work were given R's. The men receiving A's were presented with fine cream-colored sweater-jackets with maroon letters. President Bruske acted as master of ceremonies. After the singing of the college song, our president began his address with the Alma victories of the past, reminding the students of the high standard of sportsmanship set by the heroes of the past. However, he found the rise steady, especially in the past few years. He said that our victories on the gridiron this year have set a higher and purer standard, that it shall be our duty ever to strive in all activities to reach this and raise a higher one.

Dr. Bruske next became more personal in his remarks and in high terms gave praise to Coach Grady. The foot ball men came next. He assured them of the college's appreciation of their work and sacrifice. The loyal support of the whole student body, he commented on as proof of their interest and appreciation and for the men and coach thanked the students for their loyalty, saying that without it victory would have been almost impossible for the spirit would have been lacking.

The men winning A's were: Capt. Kefgen, Chapel, Cook, Edgerton, Anderson, Meisner, Marks, Harwood, Rogers, Striffler, Hyde and Johnson. King, Ewing, vonThurn and Hooper barely failed to earn their letters, R's were given to Yerex, McAllister, Pohly, Vogt, Voegli, O. Anderson, Mabie, Rushmore, Pratt, Caldwell and Van Dusen.

The next thing now in the way of athletics, of course, is basket ball. This last week the game has been out of college activities because of sore arms and because of the fact that a new floor was being laid in the gymnasium. The new floor will be a great improvement to the gym, as it will be of hard wood which will give the players a smooth surface to work on and the spectators a dustless room to breathe in.

## OBSERVATIONS

Hyde blushed a purple-yellow when on handing him his sweater, Prexie shook his hand and said, "He's all right He stays with me."

Kefgen wasn't fussed at all. Receiving a dozen or so A's has hardened him to it.

That reach of Cook's came in handy, when he leaned over the faculty heads from the "choir loft" to get his letter.

Prexie thought they were "very handsome shirts."

"Lizzie" McAllister had the prettiest bow of thanks of the bunch.

Van Dusen was so overcome by embarrassment he couldn't attend classes the rest of the day.

Yes, Yerex's hair stood on end.

Striffler adjusted his bow tie and patted his curly hair before he went forward.

Speaking of football sweaters, any time you start handing out any more articles of clothing, we'd prefer a pair of ice-cream trousers, please.

## DIRECTORY

Aletha Ray—Oh I'm jist an ornery kid, but I got manners when I want to use 'em.

Marion Ball—If you look over your glass when you drink you will have to pay five cents.

Ruth Ray—(telling the coach) You know that little yellow barn? Well that's Spookendyke's Corners and I live just five miles from there.

Edith Hewitt—Yes, I'm an anti-stiddy. There's a reason.

Charlotte Johnson—May I borrow your alarm clock?

Sadie Crawford—Call me up some rainy afternoon.

Lulu May—Why do they call me the Gibson Girl?

Florence Carmen—Well—I've had experience.

Hazel Crosby—What's the use of paying library fees if you can't use the old place once in a while.

Louise Peterson—A phone call for me? Was it a man?

Esther King—(giving lessons in etiquette) When the cake plate is passed, don't appear to eager, but with a quick glance choose the largest piece.

Delora Hanel—That's perfectly all right. I have a n ighborly interest in Mr. Voegli.

Gail Peacock—I'm the nearest thing to a bird of paradise that they have here in Alma, anyway.

Clara Hanel—(apropos of nothing) Yes, my love affairs are certainly checkered ones.

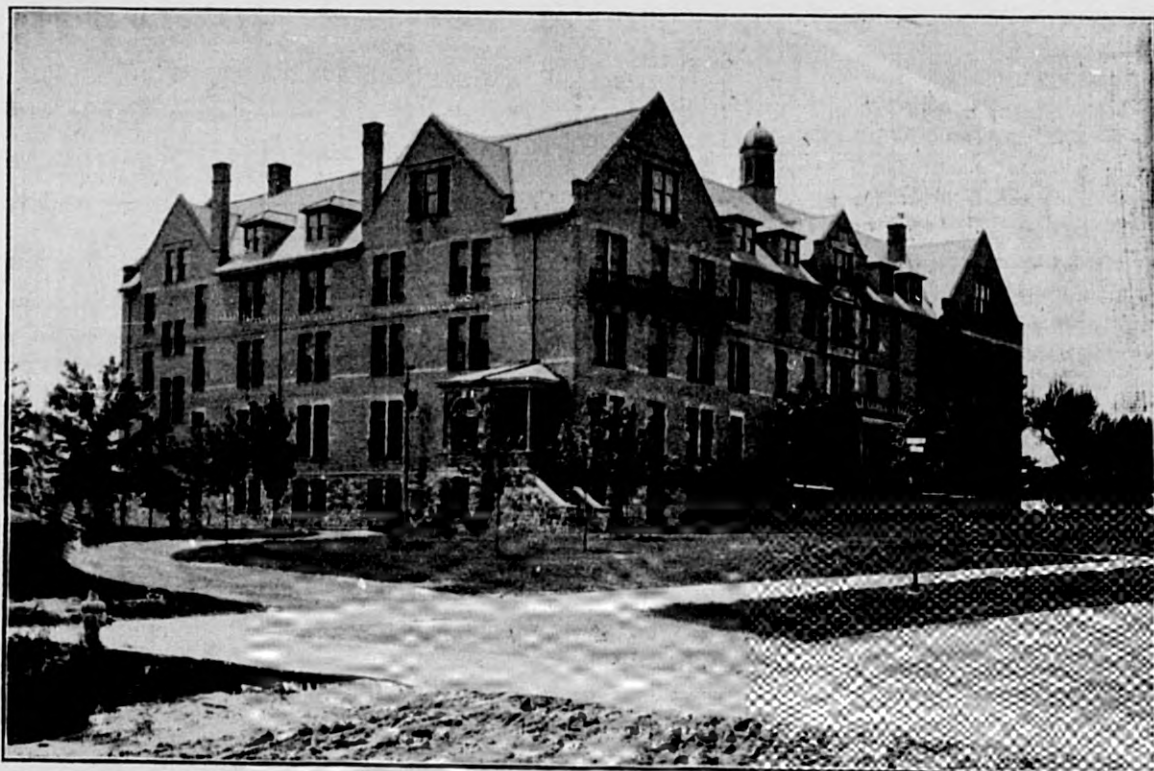
Alice Kennedy—When I open my mouth, let no dog bark.

## THAT SHAKESPEARIAN PLAY

There are ups and downs to everything and the last week has been full of downs with but few ups for the Shakespearian play which Prof. J Q Adams and his pupils will present within a short time.

The worst calamity of the week was the fact that Professor Adams was ill during the first part of the week so that he was unable to conduct any rehearsals. This left things hanging until the prof. and his smile reappeared when the wheels of the dramatic machine once again began to move. Then the effects of vaccination among the ladies of the cast prevented a rehearsal at the opera house Friday evening. Finally, Miss Hanmer, who had one of the roles, was forced to leave school and a substitute had to be found in short order. However, everything is now going along smoothly. Professor Adams would be glad to have members of the faculty and students drop in at rehearsals whenever convenient for the purpose of criticism.

Later. The date for the play has been definitely set for a week from tomorrow.



Emma Bachi—They don't do that in Albion.

Marjorie Travis—Girls, what do you know about that J. T.?

Bernice Latson—Votes for women!

Hazel Conner—This anti-stiddy business isn't what its cracked up to be.

Ruth Hovey—While there's life there's hope.

Jane McKinney—Me a Freshman! Huh!

Marion Vawters—Come on kids, let's whoop'er up!

Pearl Moreland—You see, I knew Maynard Cook in Caro.

Bessie Seaver—Could you pay me your fifteen cents for chapel fee?

Kathleen Gillard—I was going to Ann Arbor for Thanksgiving, too.

Ruth Robbins—I don't care, God loves me and my mother loves me, and I can sit on my hands.

Gladys Gorton—Me for a cat and a canary. A new girl saw him first.

Dorothy Baker—I do hope my brother picks out a nice girl!

Isabel Stevens—I'm making this for my Old Maid's Hall.

Louis Mitchell—If you don't make a hit at the opening reception, you don't make one at all.

Helen Mitchell—Gee, but I'm hungry. Got anything to eat.

Bernice Miller—I had more fun at that lecture, girls than I've had since I came.

Viviane Miller—Me for the straight and narrow path. I just broke one rule all year and got caught at that.

Jean Dykes—Do you think it a compliment to the crust to eat pie with your knife.

Laura Freese—Love me and the world is mine!

or in other words, Tuesday, December 6. Don't forget the date.

## ORATORY AND DEBATES

Preparations for the annual gentlemen's and ladies' oratorical contests are now being culminated. There will be several contestants in each of the contests which ought to aid Alma in entering in each of the contests which an orator of the highest type in the state inter-collegiate contest next spring. The winner of the highest honors among the men on December ninth next and among the women December twelfth will represent the Maroon and Cream at Ypsilanti in the state contest next March, and will be awarded with medals.

In the two men's societies, the next few weeks will be devoted principally, to competitive debates to determine the eight men who will represent Alma against Olivet and Hope, four men being picked from each society. Alma in the two preceding years of the triangular debates has won and lost two, but this year's intention is to break the tie by winning both.

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### DETRIMENTAL ADVERTISING"

An aspiring "jounmlist" from Olive, sent the Detroit News a half-oolntnn o so of "hot staff" regarding Olivet's "championship." The article, which lays Olivet's defeat on Davis field to the fact that there ispolitical dissenston in the Olivet team and that their great half back Webbir used him<alf fir most of Olivet's gains, and which confidently assumes that on a hard field Olivet would have swamped the M iron and Cream by a thirty to nothing score, nee is b 10 : >iris re u > l\*of ite own material to put it beneath consideration.

Hut the Alnntiian wishes to take this opportunity to warn the newspaper writers of Alma college th\ t such un-sportsmanlike and babyish actions will not he tolerated here if we can help it. Not that this warning is necessary at all, but the cose in hand affords such a striking example of what "yellow" writers can do to injure their college hat we cannot let it go unnoticed.

We might add tha' the official Olivet college paper, the E:ho. has thus far handled all the athletic events this yeir n a manner showing decide lly nnre sanity than the story referred to shows symptoms of.

### MAGAZINES FROM LIBRARY

A pernicious habit is that of sneaking magazines and other debate material from the library. Magazines, as every one should know, are not supposed to be removed from the building except on certain special conditions. In former years, during preparation tor inter-society debates on account of the intense rivalry between teams, there may have been an excase, if not a reason, for taking these magazines, but now that the only college debates are between teams within the societies, there can be no cause but mere s ifishness. It certainly is not fair to one's opponents to keep them from getting ma'erial which they have a right to That has to be admit \* ed. To s'op the practice nothing but the common consent of all concerned can be absolutely effective.

### ABOUT PEOPLE.

Alex Nicholson of Calumet, a student at the college last year has been visiting here for several days. "Nick" expects to enter school next semester.

Miss Irene Reiser is hack at school . after a short absence.

Professor Adams was confined to tlie

hospital for several days last week with an over zealous vaccinated arm.

Professor Mitchell asks Blaske what it is to be crazy and when Blaske can't tell, 1 admits that he himself doesn't know "what it is to he crazy."

Preparations are being made for the second meeting of the Central Michigan Round Table at Alma on December 9. Professor W. H. French of the Agricul- | tural College will give an aduress on Agricultural Education. A dinner will be served at the Wright House. Several of the Alma college professors are prime movers in this Konnd Table, which is composed of teachers.

"Bob" says that these professors' sons , are always minding some body else's business, and that these ministers' sons are all rascals. Take that, and that.

In speaking of the relative positions of the various M I.A.A. football teams, ' Coach Chester L Brewer, of the M.A.C. ' says, "I ranked the teams as follows: Alma, Olivet. Albion, Hillsdale. Adrian, Kalamazoo. This ranking seems the only possible one."

### KEFGfcN

Captain Kefgen started his football career three years ago as a 'green' guard. Prom the first he took to foot hall as a "duck does to water." His speed and agrtsuveiess won him a position in the back field on last years'

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jteam. This year playing at half ho has shown himself to h.\* an exceptional!v strong nun He has every qnality needed for the p isition Heis speedy, a time

## DIRECTORY

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Mary Clark- (at 2:30 on Saturday) I wonder if it's nearly Chapel time?  
Mabel Dean- The faculty's confidential friend.  
Selma Hahn- You got me goin' goin\ kid.  
Pearl Huber- Mum 's the word.  
Isabel Henderson- I do get so fussed in History.  
Elizabeth Crossen- Yes, Bobby, this is Ressie.  
Katherine DeVries- "Now the day in over."  
Marion Rosacrans- It's dark in the library at four but the thing doesn't close until four-thirty.  
Neva Jenkins -I must clean this room. There are two pins on the rug and a speck of dust behind the radiator.

AND STILL

Editor Almanian—Dear Sir: Enclosed you will find my personal check in the sum of \$1.00 for subscription to the Almanian, I find that it is almost impossible to live without your weekly, and anyone who reads the newsy and eloquent college paper, cannot help but say that it is by far the finest college paper in Michigan. With best regards, I remain, sincerely yours,

Frank H. Withey. Marquette, Nov. 18, 1910.

ANOTHER ONE

Editor Almanian—Dear Sir: Please find enclosed my check for the Almanian. I always look forward to its arrival and eagerly peruse every column of news. Every graduate is proud of Alma's past and Alma's present. I am very glad to hear that we have the football championship again. Why don't we hear more from the Y.M.C.A. and Y.W.C.A. Loyalty. Ruth O. Pierson, Providence, R. I., Nov. 4, 1910.

JUST LIKE

Editor Almanian—Dear Sir: I was pleased to receive your cards as it convinces me that you have the right kind of a business manager. I used to hold that position myself on the Almanian staff and I know it takes some plugging to make the sheet pay in a business way. Every venture must fail or succeed in proportion to its success financially. I am deeply interested and gratified in the progress of the college and not the least in the athletic department.

Many of the alumni need more than one reminding in order not to forget their Almanian dues. Sincerely, A. B. Eastman. Howell, Nov. 23, 1910.

THE OTHER ONE

Dear Robert: Another card came tonight reminding me that I had not yet sent you word whether or not I want the Almanian for this year. Like the paper very much this year and like the business like way in which you are handling it. I am proud of the team we work on the gridiron this year. Success to you.

A. R. Moon. Detroit, Nov. 22, 1910.

MISTAH INTAHLAKATAH

If you can't whistle, sing! A minstrel show is the latest thing. It will be given by the men of the college.

It's purpose is to raise money to defray basket ball expenses.

Friday evening the men of the college met in the Y.M.C.A. room and decided to give a minstrel to make money enough to arrange for a good basketball schedule. It will be given during February sometime, and the following committees were elected to conduct its affairs. Business manager, Donald E. Grady, committee on music, Wally Frost, Foster Fraker and Dwight Harwood, committee on jokes, Leslie Eelger, John Fraker, Robert King, committee on advertising,

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ALUMNI NOTES

John St. Cyr, who played on two of Alma's champion base ball teams, '07 and '08 is a Freshman in the Detroit College of Law.

Roy Campbell, who has just completed a successful foot ball season with Owosso high school, returned to Alma for the Thanksgiving vacation.

Ray G. Swigart '01, remains at Mt. Pleasant as principal of the high school, a position he has held for the past three years. Harry Craig '09, teaches Physics in the same school, this being his second year.

Miss Lois Fraker '09, teacher of Latin and German at Grand Ledge, returned to her home for the Thanksgiving recess.

Miss Emma Butler is teacher of English in the high school at Wayne.

George Law commencing '10, has left college and is employed as bookkeeper in the First State Bank of Alma.

COACH GRADY

This is the man who turned out our championship football team. Enough has been said of him to understand how



he did it. He is the man who is going to turn out a championship basket ball team. Enough is known of him to know he can do it

ROBERT COOK IS CAPTAIN

At a meeting of the football men winning A's last Friday evening Robert Cook was elected captain for next year. Mr. Cook is the only logical choice for the position as next year will be his fourth and last year on the team, he is popular with the fellows, he has the qualities of leadership necessary for a good captain, and his excellent playing ability has placed him at the top of Michigan's footballers. He is also captain of the basket ball team.

FAIR MISS!

It will find hosts of dainty and interesting Christmas gifts at the Philo Sorensen's evening, December 3, in the Philo Sorensen room at Wright hall.

Need a celebration? Remember there is a ball game more than a week before you need a little extra spiel. And we'll all be glad to see you.

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