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CREDITS WERE FORGED

Board of Control Brings to Light Sensational Evidence

CREATES SCANDAL IN M. I. A. A.

Reule and Maulbatsch At Last Declared Ineligible

At a meeting of the M. I. A. A. Board of Directors, held at Albion on Friday last, at which Alma was represented by Robert Cook and Prof. James E. Mitchell, the long contest over the eligibility of Maulbatsch and Reule of Adrian was ended. The Adrian representatives on the Board declared that they were not eligible.

It seems that the Adrian faculty was made the victim of some clever forger. On the credit sheet presented by the Ann Arbor high school there were inserted, in almost the identical hand of Principal Smalley, certain forged credits. These together with entrance examinations taken in some subjects gave the boys the required number of units for College entrance. But when protests began to come in from different colleges and the case became thoroughly aired in the state papers, President Anthony dispatched his registrar to Ann Arbor to ascertain whether the credits were bona fide. Principal Smalley of course crossed out the spurious credits, which left one of the men in question with four of the fifteen necessary units and the other slightly more.

Another question discussed at the meeting was the eligibility of base ball candidates. Charges were made against the following men for having played more summer base ball than the M. I. A. A. rules permit: Rogers, Myers and Vogt of Alma; Bertrand, Emmons and Funk of Albion; Hamilton and Price of Olivet; Bremble of Kalamazoo and Stevens of Adrian. The matter was referred to the faculties of the various colleges for investigation.

The summer base ball rule has been more or less frankly and openly disobeyed for some time. McKale of Albion volunteered the information to the directors at Kalamavoo more than a year ago that he had played a good part of one summer with two Olivet men, and significantly added that there were other things he "would hate to tell."

In view of the fact, therefore, that the summer base ball rule has proved unsatisfactory and incapable of being enforced, the Almanian is inclined to criticize the M. I. A. A. Board for not having produced long before this a safe and sane rule.

Olivet won the Inter-collegiate Football championship Saturday when the Crimson defeated Albion, 5 to 0. Weber made the only touchdown of the game.

The Philos will have just the thing for that present you've been worrying about.

'TOOT' HALL PICKS ALL STATE TEAM FROM THE M. I. A. A.

Alma Places Most Men on First Team—Rogers, Hyde, Capt. Edgerton and Misenar Given Places

FIRST TEAM.	SECOND TEAM.
Quarterback.....Rogers (Alma)	Quarterback.....Upton (Olivet)
Left Half Webber (Olivet) Capt.	Left Half.....Marks (Alma)
Right Half.....Bertrand (Albion)	Right Half.....Funk (Albion)
Fullback.....Maulbatsch (Adrian)	Fullback.....Jelsh (Albion)
Left End.....Hyde (Alma)	Left End.....Stump (Adrian)
Left Tackle.....Edgerton (Alma)	Left Tackle.....Riker (Olivet)
Left Guard.....Shattuck (Albion)	Left Guard.....A. Johnson (Alma)
Center.....Misenar (Alma)	Center.....Henderson (Albion)
Right Guard.....Rider (Olivet)	Right Guard.....Chevenka (Olivet)
Right Tackle.....Stewart (Hillsdale)	Right Tackle.....F. Johnson (Alma)
Right End.....Reule (Adrian)	Right End.....Price (Olivet)

ORATORICAL CONTEST.

At a meeting of the Oratorical Association, held recently, the date for the annual Men's Oratorical Contest was placed for the first Monday after the Christmas vacation. The Women's Contest will be held the following Friday. It was decided to adopt the interstate system of judging, which will be used in the state contest beginning with the contest next March. It provides that orations shall be placed in the hands of the judges several days before the contest, and they are to be carefully read, but no marks on thought and composition are to be given. On the night of the contest, the judges shall hear the delivery of the orations and then give one mark which will take in consideration delivery, thought and general impression. Heretofore two sets of judges have been used and two sets of marks given. A meeting will be held soon to determine the date on which manuscripts must be turned in and the judges will be selected. The Association plans to take hold of the play to be given in December, and will make every effort to make it a success.

The association held another meeting Friday noon to arrange for the selection of judges for the contests. Rev. J. Frank Jackson, Francis King and L. A. Sharp were chosen for the men's contest and Prof. Ellsworth of the High school, Judge Matthews of Ithaca and Miss Olive Smith will be asked to judge the girls. They are all capable judges and the fate of the orators can safely be entrusted to them. It was proposed and passed that the manuscripts should be placed in the hands of the judges five days before each contest.

CLASSICAL CLUB

Saturday evening the classical club held its first meeting of the year with a large and enthusiastic attendance. The chief object of discussion was the giving of a Latin play, either in the Latin original or English translation, and it is probable that such a drama will be given during the year. Excellent papers on "The Production of Greek Plays," and "The Performance of Latin Plays in America," were read by Maude and Ruth Hooper.

ZETA SIGMA BANQUET.

The Zeta Sigma Society will give its annual banquet at the Wright House on Friday evening, November 24. Elaborate preparations are being made for a royal good time; a number of alumni are expected to be present, and the most successful banquet in the history of the society seems assured. Covers for over fifty couples will be laid. "Dad" Sebring will do the honors as toastmaster, and will introduce the following toasts and speakers:

"High Living".....Carol Hyde, '14
"College Brotherhood,"

Robert Hume, '12
"The College Girl".....John Landon, '13

"Our Hosts".....Laura Brown, '12
"Excelsior".....Josiah Buell, '15

"Castles in Spain,"
John Dunham, ex-'11

"College Traditions,"
Frank R. Hurst, '04

Friday Night Dinners in Detroit.

Beginning with November 24, there will be an Alma dinner every Friday evening at six o'clock at the Library Park hotel in Detroit. The dinners will be informal at all times and are for the purpose of affording opportunity for Alma friends to meet at frequent intervals. All former Alma men and women are invited to attend these dinners whenever it may be convenient. They will be just "drop in" affairs where one may enjoy a social hour visiting with his old friends. The management of the Library Park hotel will be ready to serve any member that may be present at any gathering. Don't forget, when you are in Detroit on Friday, to meet the Alma "bunch" at the Library Park at six o'clock in the evening.

We understand that the date of the play to be given under the direction of Prof. Densford has been changed and that another drama has been selected. It is now planned to present the play early in 1912.

The members of the Classical club are planning to give a play sometime during the year. Whether the play will be from the original or from a translation has not yet been decided, but a classic drama will be used.

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The Alma College Library is increasing every month. New books are making their appearance on the shelves almost daily and new facilities for study and literary research are continually being placed at the command of the students. Since school opened, besides the new Britannica Encyclopedia, nearly forty new volumes have been added to the library. The new Encyclopedia, which consists of twenty-nine volumes, is the eleventh edition of the famous Encyclopedia Britannica. It not only excels in its literary and educational features, but is a marvel of workmanship. It is printed on India paper, is bound in the most flexible and durable of leather, and between its covers is some of the finest press work to be found anywhere. Another addition to the library is a collection of maps of Bible history, which have just arrived and which will be hung in the small room at the right of the reading room. The following are the new books just placed upon the shelves: Schopenhauer—The World as Will and Idea.

Hopkins—School Management.
Rogers—Religious Conception of the World.

Paulsen—Immanuel Kant.
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Our attention has been called to a plan for gaining new students of athletic ability which seems to us will be both feasible and popular. It is suggested that the "A" men, all who have won letters from the college for representing it in inter-collegiate contests, organize for the purpose of winning new students for the college. Every member would be expected to keep his eye on all High school men of his acquaintance who are doing things for their school and interest them in Alma. A line dropped to the secretary of the college would put the college itself in touch with the proposed student. An effort on the part of the "A" men along this line would be a service to Alma which could hardly be over-estimated. A plan of this sort is certainly worth consideration, and if even it is not deemed practicable to form an association, yet the individual alumni can play a great part in giving us a record breaking freshman class next fall.

The Oratorical contest will be held immediately after the return from the Christmas vacation. It is up to the societies to line up their representatives and get them down to work. There is no reason why Alma should not have rousing contests, both men's and women's, this year, and the more contestants entered, the better our inter-collegiate orator must be. We urge the societies to push the matter.

ALUMNI.

Miss Louise T. Strange, '05, after a year's rest at her home in Grand Ledge, has taken up work in the Y. W. C. A. again. November 11, Miss Strange began her work as General Secretary of the association at Jackson, where she will have charge of the inauguration of activities in the new Y. W. C. A. building in that city.

Miss Alice Marsh, '02, is another of Alma's young women who has made a success of Y. W. C. A. work. For the past year Miss Marsh has been State Secretary for Michigan, but under a new plan of extension of the work she becomes Field Secretary for the city work department in a group of four states, Indiana, Illinois, Wisconsin and Michigan. She will make her headquarters in Evanston, Illinois, which is centrally located for all points of the new field.

Chas. D. Wolfe, tackle on the Alma football team in 1901, writes us that he has recently changed his address to Netsorg, New Jersey.

A letter received from Floyd Thacker of Elk Rapids a few days ago teems with the spirit of Alma. In one paragraph he says, "Although I was not enrolled as long as I should have liked, I was at Alma long enough to get the spirit that keeps me interested in you all and makes me stand up for the work the college is doing at every opportunity. Please give my best to any who may know me."

Miss Stella Laing, who has been teaching in the schools of Boyne City the past two years, is now engaged in kindergarten work in Detroit. Her address is 38 La Salle Gardens.

Theodore Nelson, '09, is beginning his second year as teacher of Latin in the High school of New Bremen, Ohio.

Donald Call, captain of last year's baseball team, has turned pedagogue, and is teaching in Petoskey. After the Petoskey-Cadillac game, Friday, October 27, in which the Alumni editor of the Almanian acted as referee, Donald and your humble reporter spent the evening until twelve o'clock "fanning" over Alma's prospects for the year. Mr. Call was ready to start for Alma, for his senior year, the opening week of the college year, when a serious injury to his father forced him to remain at home.

BASKET-BALL.

With the ending of the football season last Saturday, attention has been turned towards basket-ball. Last year Alma easily walked away with the M. I. A. A. title and it is the prevailing opinion here that we will win it again this year, if the abundance and the quality of the material has anything to do with the making of a team. Alma has never had so large a basket-ball squad turn out at the beginning of the season as appeared at the gymnasium last Thursday to try out for positions on the team.

Of last year's team there are Captain Hooper, Fraker, Edgerton, Von Thurn, and Ewing. These men are all out and will have to go some to hold down their former jobs.

Among the new men there are Wood and Austin who played for Alma High last year and Goodrich of Cadillac, who come with good records behind them. There is also some promising material among the second teams of last year, namely, Sidney Cook, Misenar, Burrit, Rushmore, Yerex, Hyde, McAllister and Anderson.

Coach Grady has been negotiating with the state teams and at present has part of the schedule ready. A holiday trip will no doubt again be taken at the time of the Christmas recess. Nothing definite has been settled but it is probable that the team will play in Bay City, Saginaw and Detroit on this trip. Last year two such trips were taken during the holidays which helped considerably the condition of the men at the opening of the winter term. The dates have not been decided upon but there will be games with Hope, Adrian, Albon, Ypsilanti, M. A. C., Mt. Pleasant and Detroit College at home, while return dates will be played with the above schools. Hillsdale and Olivet are scheduled at the down state schools this year. This is the heaviest schedule that an Alma team has ever played and it behooves all basket-ball men to get out and to get busy.

The cross country men are out and busy. While the weather has not been the best of this branch of college sport, yet about ten fellows have joined the ranks and are taking the daily hike.

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ABOUT THE CAMPUS.

Hazel Crosby of Merrill spent Friday on the Campus.

Mrs. Bielby of Lake City spent Sunday with her daughter at Wright Hall.

Margaret Boag was called to her home at Calumet last week by the illness of her father.

Josephine Butler, Bess Bishop, Bernice Harrison and Jean McGill spent last Saturday at Olivet.

Carrie Rowland, Lena Drake and Alice Kennedy were among the Alma students who witnessed the big game at Ann Arbor Saturday.

Harold Struthers of Pontiac visited his sister over Sunday.

Miss Agnes Inglis of Ann Arbor was the guest of Miss Mullenbach at Wright Hall from Friday until Monday.

Miss Alice Kennedy spent Tuesday night at her home in St. Louis.

Maurice Rushmore was recently initiated into the Zeta society.

It is not at all improbable that Alma will follow the course of M. A. C. and the Detroit Y. M. C. A. and refuse to enroll in the A. A. U. for the coming basket ball season. The red tape and uselessness of that organization is causing a wide spread rebellion among athletes, and it is felt among the state teams that the eligibility of their players can be just as well determined in basket ball by the methods which obtain in other sports.

We understand that Miss Mullenbach expects to put on a German play the first of the year, the cast being chosen from her classes.

Mt. Pleasant and Ypsilanti Normals have canceled their games, so the football season for the year 1911 is over.

Frank J. Cannon, ex-Mormon, delivered an eloquent lecture at the Realty opera house Tuesday evening, on the dangers of Mormonism, the occasion being the second number of the lecture. The college classes the next day were storm centers of Mormon and anti-Mormon discussion.

Pete Cleveland, Josiah Buell, Fred Myers and Verne Rogers are among those who attended the Pennsy-Michigan game at Ann Arbor Saturday.

We understand that the dial of the sundial has been recut and will be remounted in the near future. After the alterations it is expected that the dial will be a serviceable timepiece.

A photographer with a revolving camera took pictures of the student body and campus last Tuesday.

All students who wish to contribute to the football sweater fund are invited to do so by those having the matter in charge.

On a recent Friday night in the dining room at Wright Hall the Alpha Theta literary society held one of its annual social festivities. All its members gathered at one large table to enjoy an elaborate dinner. The table decorations and novel place cards were in harmony with the colors of the society. From the spirit that prevailed, it could be seen that all present had a most enjoyable time—one which could not be forgotten in the history of the society.

BOARD OF CONTROL.

At a meeting of the athletic association held Wednesday noon in the chapel, the financial condition of the association was discussed and measures were taken to reduce the debt. It was also proposed that a Board of Control, consisting of three students and two members of the faculty, be appointed. It will look after the financial interests of the association and co-operate with the managers of the different teams in making out schedules. It is probable that Lester Von Thurn, Edward Brehm and Will Ewing will represent the students. The faculty members have not yet been chosen. The question of the eligibility of athletes was discussed, and the association seemed to favor trusting the faculty to decide on all questions of eligibility which concerned scholarship.

Martha Beardsley entertained her mother from Detroit for a few days last week.

We are planning to issue a special alumni number of the Almanian on the Monday following Thanksgiving. We will need a lot of alumni news and will be greatly helped if the former students will send us a word of themselves and their work.

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Vivian Miller, translating Virgil—
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Absent-minded Professor (no
names mentioned)—"I see I have my
hat in my hand. Now I wonder
whether I was coming in or going
out."

There's Always a First Time.
Class dismissed—Mrs. Sebring
misses her usual consultation with
the professor.

"If a body see a body
Thinking on a quiz,
If a body help a body
Is it teacher's biz?"

If a burglar got into the Wright
Hall basement would the coal chute?
No? Then perhaps the kindling
wood.

Lives of football men remind us
That they wrote their names in
blood,
And departing left behind them
Half their faces in the mud.—Ex.

Why is a hen immortal?
Her son (sun) never sets.

We Doubt it However.
Pink is reported to have been seen
last Thursday walking over from
Wright Hall without a girl.

We Know All About It Now.
Chisholm, in chemistry—"A s lute
is the thing to be solved and a sol-
vent is the thing that does the solv-
ing."

Prof. N.—"Mr. Baker, are there any
sounds which the human ear cannot
distinguish?"

Mr. Baker—"Yes, any vibration
produces a sound. This can be shown
by a mirror and a light."

Prof. N.—"Then would you say
your reflection produces a sound?"
Class, in unison—"Sure, a loud one."

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