

# The Weekly Almanian

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EVERYBODY BACK FOR ALMA HOMECOMING, NOVEMBER 14—OLIVET VS. ALMA

## ALMA DEFEATED BY M. A. C.

M. A. C. defeated Alma last Saturday by the score of 60 to 0. If it weren't our duty to tell the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth, the score wouldn't have been mentioned for it does not fairly represent the manner in which the Alma men conducted themselves against one of the best teams in the country and it doesn't take cognizance of the fact that they had to play like sin to hold them to sixty points. In describing the condition of the field the reports included all of Webster's best, bog, moor, fen, quagmire, sea, et cetera, but none nor all do full justice to it. At any rate, it was good and wet and the weight of the Aggies' backfield spelled certain defeat for Alma after the first few minutes of play.

The Alma team started out by holding the farmers for downs and advanced the ball themselves with some success for a few minutes. But by that time the old agricultural machine was warmed up to the occasion and Julian, the big fullback, Blake Miller, halfback, and "Dutch" Miller, quarterback, began tearing off gains at every attempt. Two touchdowns were scored in the first bracket with the Presbyterians gamely contesting every inch of the advance. The second quarter was a repetition of the first with the exception that the M. A. C. backfield was geared up a little higher and took twenty points. They portrayed the "Von Kluek to Paris" one act reel with vivid reality, though unlike the ambitious Teutons they always got there. Julian arrived five times, Jerry Deprato twice, and "Dutch" Miller twice.

The Alma line fought desperately hard but they were up against overwhelming odds. The M. A. C. line-men sifted through like the Vandals over the Rhine. From end to end the Alma men were no match for their heavier and more experienced opponents and the Alma backfield was forced to lose more ground than they gained.

During the last two quarters the Aggies chalked up two touchdowns for each period.

It is a sad tale that must tell of such an overwhelming defeat but it is a cheerier supplement that tells of the way in which the Alma men acquitted themselves. For they comported themselves in exactly the same way that their hosts did—like fighting gentlemen—with emphasis on both denominatives. It was the cleanest game of the season so far and the visiting players were accorded splendid treatment both off and on the field.

### Notes on the Game.

For those fans who live on details it might be said that the Alma players left on the morning train at 7:31, arrived at Lansing at 10:28, sent postals to the dear ones back home until lunch, ate individually light lunches, and played the game at 2:33. And if a few trolley rides are interspersed hither and yon that itinerary is more or less correct.

The first report of the game was greatly exaggerated. It told of a 27 to 3 victory by M. A. C. However, the second report of 60 to 0 did seem more homelike.

Olivet held M. A. C. to a 40 to 7 score one week ago. Don't forget the Olivet-Alma Homecoming, November 14th.

"Red" Christianson broke into the social cesspool again.

The U. of M. plays M. A. C. next Saturday and in playing the Aggies they are inviting a pile of trouble.

"Hobe" Chapel and Cliff Steggall suffered minor injuries, while every man on the team is decorated with some royal insignias.

The numerical results of the game sound like Petrograd reports of German casualties at Przylmn—or rather that fortified city in Galicia which the Germans are defending.

## 1914 M. I. A. A. TRACK CHAMPIONS



Top row, left to right—M. Spinney M. Hyde McAuley E. Cresswell R. McAllister F. Patterson V. VanDuzen A. McIntyre I. Friedman  
Bottom row, left to right—O. Anderson. Mgr. C. Hyde A. Wilson H. Schultz B. Anderson, Capt. R. Chisholm S. Cook H. Jackson M. Jackson W. Bleamaster, Coach

### M. I. A. A. Track Champions 1914

At a meeting of the M. I. A. A. governing board last week, Alma was awarded the 1914 track championship which had apparently been won by Kalamazoo last June, and the record made by Preston in the javelin throw will be wiped off the boards. Despite the protests of Coach Bleamaster to the referee the Kazoo athlete had persisted in throwing the javelin with two hands instead of one with the approval of the referee, and thus could give the Swede stick such added impetus that the breaking of the legally made record by Oral Misenar in 1913 was a simple matter. No written or verbal protest was filed by Alma after the meet but at the meeting of the board with representatives from Adrian, Albion, Hillsdale and Kalamazoo present the action was taken which gives Alma the highest honors in track for the 1914 season.

Misenar set the record at 144 feet, 2 inches and the decision which keeps his record intact is most gratifying to Alma students. As yet the banner has not been received from Kalamazoo but it is expected to arrive some time this week. To the students it will be mighty gratifying to see that title rag alongside of the one which was won in 1913.

The points of the meet now stand:  
Alma .....34  
Kalamazoo .....32½  
Hillsdale .....31½  
Olivet .....24  
Albion .....12

### COLLEGE BAND.

Alma is at last to have a genuine up to the minute College band. The final plans were made for this organization at a meeting in Pioneer Hall last Wednesday evening. Fourteen fellows turned out to the meeting, all of whom are good musicians, and as there are about six other men in College that have had considerable experience along this line, but who were unable to attend the Wednesday evening meeting, Alma is practically assured of a twenty piece band. Not so bad for the first year. Whittington is leading the fellows, and the first rehearsal will take place in the kindergarten room Monday evening immediately after Society. All fellows interested in this organization be on hand.

The band will probably make its debut at the Ypsilanti game.

### Fire in "Ad" Building.

What might have resulted in a serious loss to the College Friday night was averted by the prompt action of two "fussers" making a late return from Wright Hall, where they had been visiting with their fair ones. When passing the Secretary's office in the Administration building, they noticed a blaze in our genial "A. P.'s Sanctuary" (derives its name from the fact that it is the wintering place of stray eagles). With the great speed, which characterizes this particular species of mankind, the young fussers aroused "Bob" from his moorings, and the latter barefooted—if such a thing is possible—to the "Ad" building and made the way clear for the fire fighters to win undying fame. The fire which was caused by the crossing of two electric light wires was soon put out, and the College should extend a vote of thanks to Messrs. Ludwick and Kennedy. "Bud" and Oscar were also present.

As a result of the above fire the officers and members of the "fussers club" believe they should be granted later hours on Friday nights.

### Sermonette No. 2.

"A good name is rather to be chosen than great riches." These days one is very apt to find, in the actual lives of men and women a reversal of the proverb. Regard for a good name, personally, is in many, many instances flung to the four winds of the earth. Money is the glittering prize upon which men fix their eyes. Comfort, health, family, honor are all lost sight of in the scramble for wealth. "A good name"—what a priceless asset! "A good name"—  
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### Wright Hall Spreads.

Last week was surely an exceptional one at Wright Hall so far as spreads were concerned. No less than eleven took place.

The ball was started rolling Monday evening by Miss Riker's table having an old-fashioned farmer spread. The female element was very stunningly attired in sun-bonnets and big-checked aprons, while the boys ("Shorty" Wax and "Stimmy" Stimpson) were conspicuous in their brownies and bandanas. The table decorations were in perfect harmony with the idea, consisting of the old family red table-cloth and kerosene lamps. A nice, big jug of sweet cider was also in evidence. The honored guest was a man well acquainted with rural magnificence, he being none other than Mr. Ralph Peacock.

On Wednesday evening there were spreads at Miss Bertha Williams' and Miss Lucile McQuade's tables. These were held in the dining parlor. The dominant scheme at Miss Williams' table was that of autumn loveliness. The table was daintily decorated with beech leaves, while the place cards were held by beech nuts. Candles added to the adornment, while "slush," pie, cake, bottled liquids, and steaming coffee served to make all participants happy. Mr. Paul H. Austin was the guest of honor. Miss McQuade's table was very charming. The guests were attired in neat outing costumes. The board presented a striking imitation lake surrounded by miniature cottages, and snug little boat-houses.

Monty McFarlane, of Fairgrove, was guest of honor.

The good work continued on Thursday evening when spreads occurred at Miss Albertson's, Miss Waite's, Miss Coyne's and Miss Dersham's tables. Owing to the good fortune of Mr. Lewis Sarvis, the guests at Miss Dersham's table were treated to a sixteen pound goose which came from the Masonic Fair. Geo. J. Maier, Alma's popular clothier, was the guest of Mr. Sarvis, while Oscar M. Anderson also came in for a goodly share. Miss Coyne's table was costumed to represent old people, and made a quaint appearance indeed. "Shadow" Austin was on hand in his knickerbockers also.

The last spread was not outdone by the former ones and took place  
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## GREAT INTEREST IN PRAYER MEETINGS

Greater interest than ever before is being manifested in the prayer meetings each Wednesday night of the College year in the Chapel. Last week the turn-out was splendid, and any leader could well feel encouraged. That these meetings are proving of great benefit to all who come is evidenced by the increasing attendance. But while we are pleased at the number, there are many who are not availing themselves of their privileges. We feel that perhaps there is a mistaken notion as to what may happen if one attends prayer-meeting. We feel that some, at least, are afraid that they may be called on to give a talk, or to offer a prayer. Such is most assuredly not the case. No one is obliged to take part unless they want to. No one need fear embarrassment of any sort. As was said in the meeting, "There are many who have no idea as to what good comes from the service because they have never given a fair trial."

In order that those who do not attend may not miss some of the nuggets of gold that are unearthed each meeting, the Almanian will publish each week the main account of the prayer-meeting. We feel that in this way more interest and enthusiasm may be aroused.

The topic for discussion last week was "The Plus in Education." Among the remarks of the leader were these: "The plus in education is the Giver of all true wisdom. No life is complete—no life is full-rounded—no life is all that it might be—without Him. That life shows a deficit—that life shows a minus that has not sat at the feet of the great Master-Teacher, and learned from Him the lessons of life. No wiser teacher—no gentler task-master—no more profound student ever lived than He. His class-room was the world; His text-book—the things that are therein; His pupils, down thru all the ages, 'Whosoever will.'"

"These are days when our hearts are as waxen tablets. These are days when we are writing down life impressions. These are days when each is striving to settle weighty decisions. Upon these decisions shall rest, in large measure, what sort of characters we are to have. Upon these decisions shall rest the issue as to whether our lives are to be narrow and circumscribed—or whether when we come to the end of our College days, we shall have a breadth of vision and a realm and sphere of influence that only education with the 'Plus' could acquire for us. The question is—do we want the Plus?"

### Open Meeting of Adelptha Theta.

Monday evening all the Freshmen College girls met with Adelptha Theta. The usual business meeting was dispensed with and a literary and musical program presented which was typical of the society's accustomed work. Everyone enjoyed a good laugh over a hotly contested debate: "Resolved, That initiation is not good for Freshman girls"—but sad to relate, the negative won so the Freshies still have thrills to anticipate.

Every Adelptha Theta girl rose to her feet and sang the Adelptha Theta song. With a rousing cheer for the society and all the new girls the meeting broke up. Then followed an informal chat while light refreshments were served and the realization came too sure that it was time for study hours.

Following a plan suggested by Miss Waite, the two women's societies of the College have agreed to each entertain the new girls at a party and open meeting of their society. These events are to take the place of the rushing of former years. Everyone is unanimous in declaring that we are greatly indebted to Miss Waite for the splendid custom she has inaugurated.

### October 10th Attendance Figures

	1914	1913
Seniors	24	17
Juniors	20	16
Sophomores	50	47
Freshmen	123	57
	217	137

Girls 119 Boys 118

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The following advice from a student to his successor and found by Prof. West in one of the desks in the chemical laboratory would be good advice for all students in Alma College to heed. Here is the article:

Advice to my successor:  
Be neat. Do your work thorough. Don't cheat. Never take anybody's word for a result. Do it yourself. Get your lesson for each day and get it well. Don't cut classes, it won't pay in the long run. Treat your Professor right and he will treat you right. Do these things and you will have no fear of exams."

We doubt if better advice was ever given to students in the College than that contained in the above short, spicy sentences. Anyone that will do as this student advises his successor to do will never fear the stiffest of exams and will never find trouble in getting out of College work that which is really essential to every student. Cut the above out and paste it over your desk that you may ever have it in front of you. The only regret we have is that we have not the finances to have it printed on good cardboard and passed out to all the students in the College.

As we have said before the Almanian is a student publication and for that reason MUST be supported by EVERY STUDENT in the College. What do you think of this? SIX OLD STUDENTS IN COLLEGE PUT IN THEIR SIXTEEN AND A FRACTION CENTS A PIECE AND SUBSCRIBED FOR THE ALMANIAN. Is this the right spirit to show toward a student enterprise? That is encouraging isn't it, especially after the staff has gone to the expense (to say nothing of the extra labor) of putting out a larger Almanian for the same price. At Albion every student has to pay one dollar fifty cents in with their tuition at the beginning of the year for the Pleiad, the student publication at that place. Why not adopt some such system at Alma? We would like to hear from some of the students and faculty members concerning this.

**Sermonette No. 2**

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how much wealth could buy one? "A good name"—how may we acquire one? Would we were as diligent about our reputation, as we were about other things!

In the acquiring of a good name, I should say one must be responsible. If we make a promise, we must keep it. If we "swear to our own hurt," we must not change. If we have an appointment for seven o'clock, it doesn't mean a quarter past seven. Be dependable—be reliable—let folks know that you are to be trusted in the keeping of your word. As soon as this is proven, you will commence to realize what was in the mind of the writer when he penned the words "rather to be chosen than great riches."

Also "to thine ownself be true, and it must follow as the night the day, thou canst not then be false to any man." How many are true to themselves? How many cheat themselves in the different duties of life? How many, because they lie to themselves, give the lie to others? And one who gains the reputation of being a liar, certainly cannot hope for a good name. Be true! Be true!! Be true!!! "A good name is rather to be chosen than riches."

**Pre Medic Society.**

Eleven of the fellows who expect to study medicine at the Detroit Medical School next year held a meeting in Pioneer Hall last Tuesday and organized the Alma College Pre Medic Society. This society has about twenty members. Following are the officers:

President—"Bill" Gallagher.  
Vice President—"Doc" Doyle.  
Secretary—"Court" Wilson.  
Treasurer—"Shorty" Wax.

This society will probably meet every Tuesday evening. Doctor McCurdy is going to give a series of lectures before this organization on Pre Medic work.

**LOCAL ITEMS**

Vern VanDuzen spent the week-end at his home in Breekenridge.

Mr. and Mrs. Woodruff, of Dewitt, visited their daughter, Lorna, at Wright Hall Friday and Saturday.

Effie Curtiss spent the week-end at her home in Edmore.

**JACK, THE HUGGER, HASN'T BEEN FOUND YET.**

Claude Bean, last year star quarterback on Bay City Eastern high school team, entered College Wednesday.

Martha and Frida Voltz spent the week-end in Saginaw.

Irma Cotez visited with her sister in Mt. Pleasant over Sunday.

Betty Westover spent the week-end with friends in Mt. Pleasant.

Everybody out to prayer meeting Wednesday evening. Miss Waite will speak. This promises to be one of the banner meetings of the year.

The football men to take the trip to M. A. C. Saturday were: Captain Austin, French, Wight, Hoyt, Johnson, Christanson, Robinson, Chapel, Gallagher, Spinney, Richards, Fitch, Wood, Stegall, Cole, Hyde, Miller, Coach Bleamaster and Manager Anderson.

Gladys Dershen visited in Stockbridge over the week-end.

Jane Green spent Sunday with her parents in Saginaw.

Adelaide Ballou visited in Stranton over Saturday.

Don Smith was in Lansing Friday, Saturday and Sunday of last week.

Frank Whittington spent Sunday with his brother in Jackson.

The new song books were made use of for the first time in chapel Friday morning.

The heavy rain Wednesday did not dampen the spirit of Bleamaster's huskies. A rain storm never stops practice on the Alma gridiron.

Clarence Goodrich officiated at the Owsosso-Fenton high school game at the former place Saturday.

Professor Zimmerman was called to Chicago the latter part of the week because of the illness of his wife.

Jessie Duncanson was the guest of her brother, Alex in Mt. Pleasant over the week-end.

Eva Merrill spent Sunday in Breekenridge.

Miss Robinson visited with friends in Saginaw Saturday of last week.

Ruth Browning spent the week-end with friends in Mt. Pleasant.

Any of the girls that haven't as yet paid for their Almanian please see Margaret Robinson and settle up.

There are several Freshmen that haven't as yet purchased their caps. Blub: Blub: Prexy says the water isn't what it ought to be either.

Miss Huber's, Miss Kleinfelder's and Mr. Ritchie's tables had a spread in the Wright Hall grill room Wednesday night. Prof. Ritchie entertained everyone with several Irish stories.

Carland Schultz visited at his home in Middleton over Sunday.

Reed Stimpson spent the week-end with his parents in Northville.

The fellows in Pioneer Hall had about an hour's song festival in Chet Robinson's room Wednesday evening. The new books were used. Does that sound good to you Prexy?

A large number of students enjoyed themselves at the Masonic Fair during the past week.

The first mass meeting of the year drew out an exceptionally large number of students.

"Dog" Henning, an old Alma star end of 1912 played at his old position for M. A. C.

A big bunch accompanied the football men to the train Saturday morning and gave them a rousing send off for their game with the Michigan Aggies. The songs and yells sure did put the pep into the team.

Ex-Governor Chase Osborn, who was on the train, was called upon for, and gave, a short speech.

It was very noticeable that there were very few fellows at the train to see the team off. Try and get there next time.

Those to go along with the team to East Lansing were: Russel Gaffrey, William Gallagher, Art Simington, John Ludwick, and "Chick" McKenzie.

Editor—This joke is not new.

Freshman—It has never been printed before.

Editor—It was an awful oversight on the part of Noah, then.

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What the winter's entertainments and lectures are to be in each community is usually looked for at this time of the year. The course here this year will be made up of the following attractions:

C. Edward Clarke graduated from the University of Toronto in 1903 with the degree of B. A. He made two tours of Canada and the states with a concert company. He then studied abroad in London with Shakespeare and in Paris with Bouhy and Seagle. Returning to America, he again gained valuable experience in the concert field touring with noted artists and at the head of his own company for several years.

In 1908 he returned to Paris and there for nearly three years was active in the musical life of that city, teaching, singing in the American church and studying with the world famous teacher, Jean de Reszke.

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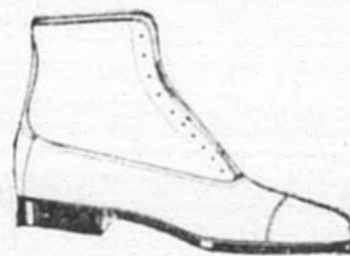
Rachel Steinman Clarke was born in the city of Wlochlawek, Poland, a country that has produced some of the world's greatest violinists, and, although she has lived nearly all her life in the United States, she possesses the distinctive temperament and individuality of the Polish artist.

Like all violinists of merit, she began her studies at an early age and has studied in Chicago under Jacobson and Van Oort, in New York under Hubert Arnold and later in Paris with Jacques Thibaud, who is considered by many as the world's greatest violinist.

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# ALUMNI NOTES

“WHO'S WHO AND WHY”

Alma students and Alumni are proud of two of the professors of the College, both of whom are graduates, but have returned to their Alma Mater to teach. It is unnecessary to say that these two men are Professors Mitchell and Randells. Professor Mitchell graduated from Alma with the degree of Ph. B. in 1893, and then secured his master's degree from Columbia University in 1896, returning to Alma shortly after to take charge of the History and Economics Department.

Doctor George B. Randells graduated from this institution in 1900 with the degree of Ph. B., and then went to the University of Pennsylvania where he secured his doctor's degree in 1908. Doctor Randells has taken work in the Universities of Jena and Zurich. He is head of the department of Psychology and Philosophy.

Both men are popular among the students of the College and have hosts of friends among the Alumni. From their very first days as instructors at the College they have shown a great interest in the school and are at all times working for the very best interests of the institution.

Professor Mitchell is Dean of the faculty.

Elizabeth Hunt, '06, resigned her position in the Holland schools and is this year located in Mayville.

Sadie Crawford, Kgr. '11, is teaching in the Cadillac schools the present year.

Bernice Latson, '13, is teaching in Newaygo.

Mary Clark, ex. '14, is attending the University at Ann Arbor.

Joyce Fairweather, Kgr. '13, is teaching in the schools of her home

town at Inlay City. During the past year she studied at Binghamton, N. Y.

Leon Lauderbach, '12, is superintendent of the high school at Grand Marias.

Those to join the Live Wire Club recently are: Lester Von Thurn, Philadelphia; William Robinson, Aberdeen, Wash.; Leon Lauderbach, Grand Marias; Wesley Sidebotham, Milwaukee; John Marchmont, New York City; James Mitchell, Alma; Ruth Cook, Crosswell; Carol Hyde, Ann Arbor; Norman Angell, Baltimore.

Lester Von Thurn, '18, is successfully engaged in the insurance business in Philadelphia. "Von's" work is mostly among the students of the Colleges in and around Philadelphia. Ralph Von Thurn, ex. '10, is assisting in the coaching at the Normal College at Ypsilanti.

Bertha Trask, '91, is teaching in the schools of Saginaw. Her address is 220 Washington Ave.

Francis Eply, '92, is head of the department of Physics and Chemistry at the State Normal School in Bellingham, Washington.

Donald Carmichael, '01, is the popular pastor of the Presbyterian church in Bad Axe.

Jacob Klasse, '97, is pastor of the Presbyterian church at Clarence, N. Y.

Joseph Northon, '96, is superintendent of the high school in Reed City.

Robert H. Cook, '12, is District Agent for the Mutual Life Insurance Company at Glen Falls, New York.

Allen Hooper '13, is successfully engaged in the Hardware business in Grouard, Alberta. "Hoop" writes that business went to pieces in one week after the Declaration of War.

### Wright Hall Spreads

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at the table of Miss Roberts. Maurice Cole was the guest of honor. It was a week long to be remembered,—those affairs which go to make up some of the pleasant experiences of College days.—C. R.

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5. Song Recital, Reese F. Veatch . . . . . Feb. x  
Bonnie Fuller Assisting

6. Visiting Artist Piano Recital . . . . . March x

7. May Festival Choral and Orchestral Performance . . . . . May x

8. May Festival Artists Concert . . . . . May x

9. May Festival Operatic Performance . . . . . May x

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## ALMANIAC

"Dick" to "Bill"  
Enroute to M. A. C.,  
Oct. 10, 1914.

Dear "Bill:"  
Am again on the train writing to you as I am along with the team on our way to play some farmers at Lansing, where we stopped off last week on our way to Notre Dame and where the Capitol of Michigan is that I told you in my last letter I climbed to the top of the steeple of. I suppose you have read in the paper by this time that Notre Dame beat us 56 to 0 and how's I didn't play because those fellers didn't use that there Ikenlob player and so the coach didn't use me because he wanted to save me for today's game with these here farmers so that I can stop a feller named Julian what is just as good as Ikenlob. You know as well as I do "Bill" that I am the man that can stop that Lansing bunch because they is all farmers and so am I and so I know just about how they will play. I'll write you and let you know next week how I busted 'em up.

Say "Bill" the table I eat at didn't eat at the table at all last Thursday, but instead, all went out to the woods, they call it the jungle, and had some frankfurters and coffee. Well, it ain't so much what we ate, but you ought to see the girl I walked home with. Gee, but she is a peach. I guess she is pretty crazy about me because I have noticed that she sort of smiles every time she sees me. I think she will probably give me her picture and if she does I'll show it to you when I come home.

Last night there was a fire in one of the College buildings and if it hadn't of been for me the building would have burned down. Two of them electric wires was crossed and I seen right away what the trouble was because there was sparks coming from it, and I just grabbed them two prickly wires and pulled them apart. It kinda jerked when I got hold of it and knocked me down but I don't care cause I got 'em apart and put the fire out.

When we got on the train at Alma there was a feller named Osborn on what used to be Governor of Michigan, and one of our fellers named "Red" sit right down in the seat with him and started right in talking to him just as if he had knew him, but he didn't even know who he was. When Osborn got out of the train at Ashley "Red" spoke right up and said, "Goodbye, old sport, good luck to you," and you know he didn't know he was onet Governor at all. Well, Osborn didn't know what to say so he just looked kinda funny. I guess it probably made him mad. I wouldn't call that "Red" "Red" at all, I'd call him green.

We're nearly to Lansing so I'll stop writing. I'll let you know next week what I did to that Julian.

Your pal,

"BILL."

### Reflections of a Senior; Or An Attempt at Poetry.

Four score and seven years ago,  
To be or not to be,  
Friends, Romans, Countrymen,  
Come, lend your ears to me.  
Listen, my children, and you shall hear,  
The lark begin its flight,  
Tomorrow—and tomorrow;  
Sweets to the sweet is right.  
The stag at eve had drunk his fill,  
To thine ownself be true;  
Mortals who would follow me  
Have nothing else to do.  
Frailty thy name is woman,  
Brevity is the soul of wit;  
So in order to be witty  
Methinks I'd better quit.

### OMELET'S SOLILOQUY By the Cook.

To fry, or not to fry; that is the question  
Whether 'tis better in this pan to sizzle  
A scare, and scanty lot of small corn fritters  
And by devouring end them. To fry—to brown,  
No more. And by this dish to say we fill  
Our suffering companions and ourselves!  
Fritters and salad. 'Tis a combination  
Devoutly to be wished. To fry, to brown;  
To brown, perchance to burn, aye, there's the rub.  
For in that kitchen range what flames may come

When we have shoveled on this mortal coal.  
But who would the roasts of beef, or lamb,  
The apple-pie, Welsh rarebit, deviled crabs,  
The quail on toast, or duck with canvass back,  
When he might such a royal dinner make  
With a corn fritter? Who would these dainties wish  
And run the risk of night-mare or of gout?  
And so the thought of soda-mints to come  
Impels us to be careful what we eat,  
And makes us rather bear the ills we have  
Than fly to others that we know not of.  
This indigestion doth make cowards of us all,  
And so instead of rich meringues and pastry,  
Instead of oysters, terrapins, or pie—  
Give us a single fritter!

### Sane, Sound Advice.

In a salmon cannery in Western Canada there hangs this sign:

#### The Ten Commandments.

1. Don't lie. It wastes my time and yours. I'm sure to catch you in the end, and that is the wrong end.
2. Watch your work, not the clock. A long day's work makes a long day short; and a short day's work makes my face long.
3. Give me more than I expect, and I will give you more than you expect. I can increase your pay if you increase my profits.
4. You owe so much to yourself you cannot afford to owe anybody else. Keep out of debt, or keep out of my shops.
5. Dishonesty is never an accident. Good men, like good women, never see temptation when they meet it.
6. Mind your own business, and in time you'll have a business of your own to mind.
7. Don't do anything that hurts your self-respect. An employee who is willing to steal for me is willing to steal from me.
8. It is none of my business what you do at night. But if dissipation affects what you do the next day, and you do half as much as I am entitled to, you'll last half as long as you hoped.
9. Don't tell me what I'd like to hear, but what I ought to hear. I don't want a valet for my vanity, but one for my dollars.
10. Don't kick if I kick. If you're worth while correcting you're worth while keeping. I don't waste time cutting specks out of rotten apples.

Mary had a little dog,

It was a cunning pup;

It would stand upon its hind legs

When you held its front legs up.

### A Real Antique.

A Scottish woman, who was spending a few days in London, entered a brie-a-brac shop in search of something to take back home to Scotland with her. After she had inspected several articles, but had found none to suit her, she noticed a quaint figure, the head and shoulders of which appeared above the counter.

"What is that Japanese idol over there worth?" she inquired of the salesman.

The reply was given in a subdued tone, "About half a million, madam, that's the proprietor."

### Attention, Class of 1918!

New Freshmen yell:

Boo-hoo-hoo.

I want to go home to my ma and pa,

Freshmen, Freshmen,

Rah! Rah! Rah!

Her locks were in wild disorder. Her face was flushed and her eyes flashing. She clinched and unclined her fingers in an agony of despair. Unless her looks belied her, she was a deeply injured, and desperate woman. Her indignation and anger were allied with keen despondency.

"Cruel one, Oh, cruel one!" she cried in anguished tones. "I have borne with you too long! How you have injured me; how you have tortured me, and yet I could not bear to give you up!"

"When first we met how your ease and polish attracted me!" She continued. "When you became my very own, how my friends envied me. But your understanding was too small for my large soul! You have ruined my standing in society! If we had never met, I might have walked in peace! So now, begone! We part forever."

There came a moment's convulsive breathing, a gritting of the teeth, and a sharp sigh. It was all over. The tragedy was ended. By an almost superhuman effort, she pulled off her new shoe.

"Doc" Frost writes:—You don't begin to live 'till you're married. The Almanian arrived today. I notice that the 'swipes' have once more taken on life and the return of 'the Reign of Terror' to the dining room is assured. I would like to be on hand to pass a dish of hash the length of the table once more."

Last Monday evening, Zeta Sigma held its first initiation for the year, thirteen new men being taken into the society. The men who joined were, Coleman, Bittner, Chapel, Patterson, Daneer, Smith, Hanna, F. Gallagher, Stoeckel, Garlock, Schifflet, Sayles and Melvin. After the regular order of business was carried out, punch was served to the new men. The society now numbers about forty and with the excellent material in the new members a most prosperous year is looked forward to by all.

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