

# The Weekly Almanian

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## IAS POT AT WRIGHT HALL

Turn backward, turn backward, Oh  
Time in your flight,  
And make me a child again just for  
tonight!

This is the wish that almost every-  
one feels at the Christmas season;  
and which realized upon one won-  
derful night each year at Wright Hall.  
Saturday evening a marvelous victory I  
was won over Father Time, when fac-  
ulty, Seniors and even freshmen laid  
aside their dignity and unburdened of  
the weight of their own responsibility, j  
became children again.

A big Christmas tree gloriously dec-  
orated, was loaded with presents for  
every girl. Dressed in short frocks with  
curls tied back with bright hair bows, j  
they danced around Santa Claus with  
all the enthusiasm they would have  
shown- let us see, how many years ;  
ago?

Toys of every description poured  
from his bulging pack, and excitement  
reigned while all were laughing and  
exclaiming over their gifts.

There was an exciting peanut hunt  
and all sorts of games. Then came an  
interesting program during which all  
sat quietly on the floor. There were  
vocal solos by Velma Gillmore and  
Blanche Healy, instrumental music by  
Hazel Crosby of Merrill and Jessie  
Duncanson gave a Christmas reading.  
While all sat about her in the fire-  
light Miss Robinson told one of her  
lovely stories which made all think  
and feel more of what Christmas real-  
ly meant.

For the past week the girls have  
been singing Christmas carols and  
having children's parties in the din-  
ing room and have been sending off  
Christmas boxes until everyone is fair-  
ly tingling with the feeling of the  
season. The way in which they cele-  
brate Christmas at Wright Hall is one  
of the finest things about Alma.

### THE PRESIDENT'S TRAVELS.

On Sunday, December 0, President  
Blaisdell spoke in the Memorial  
Church, Detroit, on Christian Educa-  
tion. This is the church built by the  
late Dr. David M. Cooper, who was its  
pastor for many years and who was  
one of Alma's most enthusiastic  
friends. The splendid collection of  
books in the library bearing his name  
testifies this friendship in a manner  
that will speak thru the centuries.

Monday President Blaisdell spoke at  
the Detroit Presbyterian Ministers  
meeting, the session being devoted to  
the subject "The Church and the Col-  
lege." Friday the eleventh he spoke  
before the high school in Belding on  
the advantages offered at Alma, and  
in the evening before the Belding Sun-  
day School teachers and officials on  
high school credit for outside Bible  
study. On Sunday the 13th he was  
in Saginaw, speaking in the morning  
at Grace Church, at 6:30 in the First  
Church, and at 7:30 in the Evangelical  
Church. In the latter he met Floyd  
Ferguson, who was an Alma student  
last year, and who enthusiastically  
declares that Alma is without peer.  
He expects to return to Alma later  
to receive his degree, toward which  
he is constantly working by means  
of correspondence course.

### ALUMNI SHOW SPIRIT

When the Alma alumni, now on the  
teaching staff of the Charlevoix high  
school, read in The Almanian that  
coats were wanted for the baseball  
men this spring, they immediately  
went into session with Superintendent  
of Schools Harry Craig, '09, in the

supported by William Ewintr, T3. Af-  
ter remarks oy Archie Maybe, T4, the  
motion was carried.

We thank the Kentlemen from Char-  
levoix from the depths of our heart.  
is worth the suggestion? T. C. B.

### ADVISORY BOARD ENTERTAINS

Saturday afternoon the Women's  
Advisory Board of the college enter-  
tained the lady members of the facul-  
ty and the professors' wives, at the  
beautiful SUTE street residence of  
Mrs. Wm. Bahlke. Mesdames Bahlke,  
Robinson and Rhodes poured tea for  
the twenty or twenty-five guests who  
were present.

### IMQUE SPREADS.

Tuesday at dinner two very unique

each person represented some famous  
personage. The Christmas idea was  
brought out, a very pretty fir tree  
decorating the center of the table and  
after everyone was seated Professor  
Ritchie as Santa Claus led the pro-  
cession into the dining room. Miss  
NHma Ross as the original American  
girl (Pocahontas), Miss Christina  
Bromlee, from Mecosta, as Red Riding  
Hood, Mr. Emerald Garlock as Simple  
Simon, and Miss Ploise Munsey as  
Buster Brown wore very elaborate cos-  
tumes and contributed to the fun of  
the dinner.

Miss Ethel Thompson's table were  
costumed as youngsters ranging in  
years from five to fifteen and covering  
grades from the kindergarten to the  
fourth. Verne Richards provided the  
fun, representing an overgrown boy  
about fifteen years of age and only in  
the kindergarten. Mr. Ralph Peacock  
as "Freckles," was the guest of hon-  
or.

Following a delicious feed, including  
"slush," pie, coffee and wafers, flash-  
lights were taken and it was all over.

### FELICITATIONS.

My congratulations to the student  
or students who conceived the idea of  
having each class as well as the facul-  
ty become responsible for a coat for  
a member of the baseball team. It  
is a good idea. It makes for team-  
work in the college. It makes for  
unity. It makes for college-wide in-  
terest. I like it.

But why not make this team-work  
and unity and interest even a little  
wider Why not thru the Almanian

### THE DEAN POURS TEA

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^ av@ had a perfectly delightful  
jtime.

## Christmas Hymn

Adeste, fideles,  
Laeti, triumphantes,  
Venite, venite in Bethlehem;  
Natum videte  
Regem Angelorum.  
Venite adoremus,  
Venite adoremus,  
Venite adoremus, Dominum

Cantet nunc lo,  
Chorus Angelorum  
Cantent nunc aula caelestum  
Gloria, Gloria, in  
Excelsis Deo.

Ergo qui natus,  
Die hodierna,  
Jesu, tibi sit gloria,  
Patris aeterni  
Verbo caro factum.

Tune: Portuguese Hymn.

## PRETTY OPERETTA ALPHA THETA

"The Feast of the Little Lanterns"  
- a Chinese operetta- presented by  
the young ladies of the Alpha Theta  
in the college chapel Friday evening,  
was declared by the critics of the cam-  
pus to have been the best entertain-  
ment staged by Alma students in years  
- if not the best in the history of the  
school. The fact that the operetta  
was the most difficult college enter-  
tainment ever tried here makes the  
above statement cast all the more  
credit on Alpha Theta.

### Argument.

The argument is as follows: "The  
ancestral estate of Prince Chan is held  
'in trust until the night of the Feast  
of the Little Lanterns, when it shall  
be given over to any two surviving  
children. Princess Chan (Lorna Wood-  
ruff) having lost her brother and sis-  
ter when they were all children at  
play in the summer home of the  
Prince, is sad at the thought of losing  
her home, which, however, is saved  
for her.

The first act opens with "The Feast  
of the Little Lanterns." The Gov-  
erness (Jenny Waterman) who would  
regulate affairs of children in China,  
and the little girl who adores her mis-  
tress, cause much amusement. The  
surprise for the Princess is the juggler  
girl, Mai Ku (Pauline Markham) who  
pleases them until called to the pal-  
ace. The curtain falls with the sad  
princess alone in the garden.

In the second act the Princess is  
found still alone and sad. The chorus  
comes in with Wee Ling, maid to the  
Princess (Louise Thayer) in mischief.  
Then the juggler girl comes in and  
announces the Emperor has informa-  
tion stating the sister of Chan is alive,  
and orders a search. In searching the  
garden, a half coin, the juggler girl's

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### PLANS FOR THE Y. W. AM) Y. M.

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the various influences that induced  
them to come to Alma. Some named  
only one or two influences. Others  
mentioned a half dozen or more. The  
following table shows some of the re-  
sults, about one hundred students re-  
ported.

Students in college last year in-  
fluenced 31-  
Former students not graduating in-  
fluenced 13-  
Alumnae influenced 14.  
Alumni influenced 18.  
(Total influenced by former stud-  
ents and graduates, 67.)  
Presbyterian ministers influenced  
14.

The Alma College Bulletin influen-  
ced 41.

The fact that Alma Presbyterian  
influenced 31.  
Athletics influenced 22.  
High School teachers influenced  
Dormitory life influenced 24.  
Scholarship influenced 17.  
Railway facilities influenced 33.  
Talks in high schools by Alma in-  
fluenced 8.  
Reading the Almanian influenced 8.  
Letters written by Wright Hall  
girls influenced 8.

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serration of the student body. With  
this in view the devotional committee  
of each association has prepared the  
following program for the prayer meet-  
ings for January in advance. It will be noted  
that these meetings are led by the  
strongest leaders of the college who  
plan to make definite and earnest pre-  
paration. So we solicit the co-opera-  
tion of the student body in making  
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will be determined entirely by the in-  
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cration you individually exert. So we  
hope that with the organization of  
prayer circles to meet each day dur-  
ing the month of January that every  
one will sacrifice if need be to aid in  
this work. May we suggest the mot-

the chorus of Chinese girls, mem-  
bers of Princess Chan's household, was  
composed of the girls of Alpha Theta.  
Dressed as they were in beauti-  
ful Chinese costumes and carrying  
dainty little lanterns they blended in  
beautiful Chinese Imperial Gardens.  
The most difficult music of this oper-  
etta is the "Afterly style is de-  
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Just nine years ago next March the State Oratorical Contest was held here—and at that time we believe it was that David Johnson captured fourth place, the highest notch we had attained in oratory up to that time. Since then we have been able to get into third place twice. This year with the contest held in our own city we should take the highest place we have ever attained. To do this, however, our orators must have the best of support—support like we are wont to give our athletic teams. SHALL IT BE LACKING? Time only will tell. The ALMA SPIRIT should pack the chapel for the local contest JANUARY 6TH. Our opportunity to do something in oratory is at hand—let's not push it aside, but rather put on our hip boots and wade in.

We wish the basket ball team the best of success on their Xmas trip. We hope they will have a fine trip, a good time and that they will work up enough team work and harmony to come back and clean up on all the M. I. A. A. teams.

The celebration of the birthday of Christ will be a lonesome affair in the lands across the sea. How dark and full of despair are the lines of thousands there! How many broken-hearted mothers, wives, and dear ones will drink the cup of bitter dregs instead of the wine of gladness! How many an empty chair! How many wrecked homes! How many freezing—starving souls! How happy to such must be the memories of Christmas gone by? Have we, each one, any reason to be thankful this year?

The Almanian wishes its advertisers, and all students, alumni and friends a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

The STATE ORATORICAL CONTEST—with nine colleges competing—will be held in Alma MARCH 5TH. It isn't one minute too early to begin making plans for that day. We undoubtedly will have a large number of guests here then, as both the men's and women's contests will be held on the same day, and we want them to go away declaring Alma students the best of entertainers. It's not too early to start planning. SOMEBODY GET AT IT. Why not a meeting of the student body, and have committees appointed?

Try and pick up one dollar and twenty-five cents for the Almanian when you are home.

**S-O-U-P LEAGUE GAMES**

	W.	L.	Pct.
Speedos	1	1	1.000
Midgets	1	0	1.000
Doe Heads	1	0	1.000
Medics	1	0	1.000
H. R.'s	0	0	.000
Heavies	0	0	.000
Preachers	0	1	.000
Giants	0	1	.000
Slims	0	2	.000

There were three exciting games in this fast league Thursday night. The Midgets outclassing the preachers, won the first struggle 15-4. Coleman for the Slims filled a vacancy on the Preachers' team and made all their points. Lampman was the "big noise" for the Midgets, shooting 6 field goals; Austin's free throw and Smith's field goal were responsible for the other points.

In a rough game the Doe Heads defeated the Giants by a 13-7 score. McCloy and Cole shared the scoring honors for the winners. Each dropped in three pretty field goals and Cole added 1 point by a free throw. Van Duzen also made a field goal in the first half. French scored 4 points for the losers and Chapel also had one basket to his credit. Of the two fouls called on the Doe Heads throughout the game Hoyt made one count.

The Slims lost their second game in a hot contest to the Medics by a score of 8-7. Only two field goals were made by each team in the entire game. Coleman and Carpenter scored for the Slims and McAuley added three free throws. Lavelly and Peifenburg each made two points for the Medics from the field and Lavelly and Sayles each threw two fouls.

The next games in this league will be played on January 7th.

If plans under way at the present time work out, the college band will play at all the home basket ball games this year.

**FOOTBALL BANQUET**

The second annual complimentary banquet given in honor of the college football team by C. H. Smith, the popular baker, was held at his home on 207 West End street, Thursday evening, with 21 players and four invited guests present. Last year Mr. Smith promised the college boys that if they defeated Olivet in that historic game which was played in the southern town during November he would tender them a banquet. Though they were defeated he gave them a banquet anyway on the strength of the gallant fight they made. This year he made the same promise with the same conditions, adding that the boys would not get the big feed unless they defeated Olivet. Alma was again treated the same dose by Olivet this year as last though it was a bad decision of the referee which robbed the Alma boys of the victory. But Mr. Smith again rose to the occasion despite his promise not to unless victory rested with Alma, and the fine banquet which was given Thursday evening is the result of his generosity and kindly feeling for the boys.

In the last few years many banquets have been given the Alma football players but the one which Mr. Smith prepared for Thursday evening outdid all previous efforts. A most elaborate menu was prepared and very elaborate leather-covered programs were at each place at the banquet table.

Acting in the capacity of toastmaster, Coach Bleamaster called upon Captain Austin, ex-Captain Wood, Captain-elect Spinney, and Mr. C. H.



COACH W. C. BLEAMASTER  
Who acted as Toastmaster

Smith for speeches. These men rehashed last fall's team and all spoke encouragingly of the prospects for 1915.

After the toasts and the autographing of the programs the fellows gathered around the piano and sang until about nine o'clock when all left for Pioneer hall with a cheer for the Smiths; cigars in their pockets, carnations in their buttonholes; smiles on their faces, and with full stomachs. All the guests were delightfully entertained and all have nothing but words of praise for Mr. and Mrs. Smith.

The following men were present: Coach Bleamaster, Captain Paul Austin, ex-Captain Alger Wood, Captain-Elect Mark Spinney, Clarence Goodrich, Arden Johnson, Arnold Robinson, Maurice Cole, Thomas Blaisdell, Merrill Hyde, Ed. Johnson, Chester Robinson, Burnell Wight, Kenneth Hoyt, Leo Miller, Hobart Chapel, Harold Christianson, Verne Richards, Clifford Steggal, Leland French, Fletcher Gallagher, Gordon French, Oscar Anderson, Manager, Sidney Cook, and "Ole" Anderson.

The menu was as follows:  
Fruit Salad      Wafers  
Oyster Patties  
Ham with French Dressing  
French Peas      Escalloped Potatoes  
Celery      Pickles      Olives  
Rolls      Boston Brown Bread  
Fruit Ice Cream and Cake  
Coffee      Punch  
Misses Marie and Helen Doane and Ruby Dunn served.

**SENIORS GIVEN SWEATERS**

Last Friday evening—between the acts of the Alpha Theta operetta—the seniors were presented with their sweaters and the new "A" men were at the same time given their honor "A" pins. Dr. Blaisdell had the honor of handing out maroon sweaters with service stripes to Wood, Austin, Simenton, A. Johnson, Peacock, Cook, Goodrich, Cole M. Jackson, H. Jackson and Wilson will receive their sweaters as soon as it is possible to get them. The honor "A" pins were given to Wight, Fitch, French, C. Robinson, Steggal, F. Gallagher, Hoyt, Miller, Chapel, Blaisdell, Richards and Christianson.

The Almanian extends congratulations to the men thusly honored.

**LOCAL ITEMS**

The Almanian will be \$1.25 after the first of the year.

Maurice Cole represented Alma at the meeting of the Intercollegiate Oratorical Association at Albion last Saturday.

"Court" Wilson returned to his college work last Monday, after being confined to his home at Milford for a few days.

Ed. Whittington and Vern Richards visited with the latter's father in Saginaw a week ago Saturday.

Roberta Berry of Grand Ledge was the week-end guest of Bernice Ireland at Wright Hall.

Don't forget to bring back one dollar and twenty-five cents for the Almanian after the holidays.

Through a mistake in last week's issue we forgot to mention that Clarence Goodrich spent the week-end at Mt. Pleasant. We wish to beg "Goody's" pardon for this lamentable error.

The next issue of the Almanian will be January 12th.

The games in the Soup league are in full swing now. Students are invited to attend these games.

Addison Wilson was able to be out on the street for a short time last week. Mr. Wilson has moved from the hospital to his home where the students are at liberty to visit him.

Word was received here Friday that DeWitt Marks, a student here three years ago, is seriously ill, and that there is but about one chance in a hundred that he will recover. Mr. Marks has many friends among the alumni and students of the college and they sincerely hope that a change for the better, in his condition, will come soon.

The senior sweaters arrived Saturday.

The first basket ball game on the home court will be played with the Mt. Pleasant Normals the first Friday evening after the holiday vacation.

Dr. Blaisdell has recently given out envelope "stuffers" to the Alma business men to put in their letters when writing to out-of-town people. The "stuffers" bear the head "A Story Brief But Full of Meat," and contains numerous facts concerning the college. This is a very unique way of advertising the college and one that is bound to bring results.

Ward Hodge and Rudolph Beyers took leading parts in the home talent play, the "Gypsy Rover," at Breckenridge last Thursday evening. The play will be presented at Merrill Jan. 2nd., by the same cast.

The Xmas trip of the basket ball team will start Monday, the first game to be played at Lake View.

Sad to relate, the faculty are not obliged to accept all petitions.

The students were sorry indeed to learn of William Smith's injury. William, who is mighty popular with the students, has their wishes for a speedy recovery.

Clyde Creaser, ex-'15, is home from the University, and has been visiting with friends on the campus.

Archie Maybe, '14, and Walter Vogt, '14, spent the week-end with friends on the campus. Mr. Vogt and Mr. Maybe are teaching in the high school at Charlevoix. William Ewing, who is also teaching there, will be in the city the first of the week.

Rex Van Duzen, '13, visited with his brother, Vern, over Saturday. Rex is attending the University this year.

Leon Gray, '14, spent the week-end with friends at the college.

I. H. Hatch, a trustee of the college, visited with his daughter, Jean, for a few days last week.

Margaret Robinson left for Grand Haven Friday.

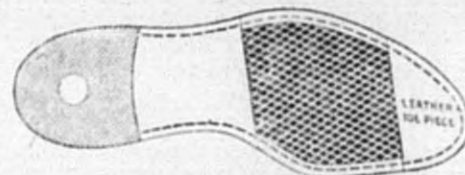
The faculty granted the student petition to close school Wednesday noon. Prof. Veatch spent the week-end in Ann Arbor.



SIDNEY COOK  
Who Was Elected Basketball Captain

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**Department of Diabolical Plotting.**

Ernest Bacon, A. P. A., Dean. Mr. Bacon, assisted by his Satanic Majesty, will head this department when sufficiently sober. This course consists of playing penny ante, working slot machines and sneaking in the back doors of pool rooms.

**Department of Navigation.**

Vern Levi Van Duzen, W. C. T. U., Dean.

Students are admitted to this course only upon recommendation of bartenders of good standing. It is required that only such students be recommended as are deemed thoroughly capable of manning a schooner and bringing it safely across the bar. Special laboratory practice will be given in taking on cargoes every evening.

**Department of General Iniquity.**

Roy J. Shiflet, S. O. S., Dean.

The equipment of this department is unsurpassed. We have an almost unlimited supply of pedro cards picked up on the campus after Prexy's advice to throw away that deck of cards. Mr. Shiflet is a man of great capacity. His enormous capacity, in fact, is all that prevented us from placing him at the head of our department of navigation. The course embraces carrying matches, drinking dirty water, and spitting on the floor in Sunday school.

**Department of Hebrew Salesmanship.**

Jack Wax, B. S., Dean.

You can't appreciate this course until you have seen our dean.

**Department of Unmitigated Corruption.**

Alfred Papworth, P. d. Q., Dean.

No one is allowed to take this course. Mr. Papworth was simply engaged to remove his contaminating influence from the public.

**Department of Inebriity.**

Albert Von Esselstein, S. K. M. P., Dean.

Students electing this course must know absolutely nothing. If at any time during the collegiate year any student is proven to possess anything resembling a spark of human intelligence he will immediately be asked to leave the institution. Those not in this condition at the time of entrance will find it easy to acquire with the aid of Prof. Von Esselstein. Mr. Von Esselstein is profoundly ignorant, and one cannot help but feel his influence.

**Department of Degenerate Religiosity.**

Arden Johnson, R. S. V. P., Dean.

This course consists of putting exactly the wrong intrepidation on the scriptures and dropping lead slugs into the contribution box at church. We consider Prof. Johnson very competent, as he has practised both all of his life.

Note: As yet the institute is without a president. Rev. Joseph Kennedy was engaged, but when he insisted on a course in College Life, the trustees decided that his resignation was in order.

**HOW ABOUT THAT MAROON AND CREAM**

Two months ago YOU gave your pledge in chapel to buy at least one copy of the Maroon and Cream. Have you fulfilled that pledge yet? If you haven't, don't you think you had better? Do it before you go home for Christmas. If you haven't that dollar on hand borrow it and then pay your debts when you get back. Or make your "folks" give you that dollar for a Christmas present. If you don't get it paid up before February 1st, it costs you an extra quarter. How about it? ! ?

**HAND AND ARM CRUSHED**

William Smith had his left arm badly injured last Friday evening at Wright hall, while packing ice around the can in a large electric freezer.

It seems that Mr. Smith was packing ice down solidly around the can when the glove on his left hand caught in the cogwheels of the freezer.

Mr. Smith attempted vainly to reach the switch and turn off the electric current with his right hand, but was unable to. A pole that chanced to be handy was then grabbed by Mr. Smith and another vain attempt was made to reach the switch. The effort being of no avail, he called for help. Miss Albertson, hearing his cry, went to his aid and turned off the current. All during this time the cogwheels had been drawing his hand and then his arm gradually into their iron-toothed jaws, the cogs having mangled his hand and arm almost to the elbow when the machine was stopped. The bones of the thumb and first finger were crushed, and the flesh of the hand and arm badly lacerated. The bone in the arm was unharmed.

**FOOTBALL MEN TREATED**

When passing Smith's candy store last Thursday evening, on their way back from C. H. Smith's banquet, the football men were invited in to have a treat which had been promised them earlier in the year. The invitation was accepted and about twenty-five dishes of ice cream were at once devoured. The football men wish to thank Mr. and Mrs. Smith for their generosity.

**AS DO THE FRESHMEN**

At a classmeeting held last week the freshmen decided to purchase two

coats for the baseball men. Leave it to the freshmen to be there with the goods every time.

**ALSO THE JUNIORS**

It has been decided by the members of the junior class to purchase a coat for one of next year's baseball men.

**YES, AND THE SEDATE SENIORS**

At a meeting of the seniors last week it was decided to purchase a coat for some individual on next spring's baseball team.

Saturday evening at 10 o'clock the Kress Annex defeated the Wolfe Fraternity bunch at basket ball 32 to 27. Marks starred for the Kress outfit, while French and McKee featured for the Wolfe gang.

Among those from Alma to attend "The Messiah" given Sunday evening, December 13th, at Mt. Pleasant, by the Normal School, were Misses Blanche Healey and Auda Gill and Mr. Shiflet.

**POPULAR SONGS OF PIONEER HALL**

Just before the holiday season the residents of Pioneer Hall are happy. The air is full of song. "It's a Long Way to Tipperary" is on almost every lip. Of course we hum the "Soldier's Chorus." Some lad perhaps in love sings: "I Love a Lassie." Some one with far-away thoughts sings: "I Wonder How the Old Folks are at Home." But you know a man is homesome when he sings: "I Think of Home and Mother When It's Christmas Time."

—Tom.

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