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N. Y. ALUMNI BANQUET

Alma Well Represented by Eastern Alumni Association

MISS ALLEN: TOASTMISTRESS

Reminiscences of College Days — Those Present

Monday evening, the twenty-seventh of November, found representatives of Alma contributing to the hustle and bustle of New York's famous Fifth Avenue. And why not, for it was an occasion of more than passing moment. Modern historians may fail to grasp its full significance, but future generations will find a lucid and accurate account of this banquet in the autobiographies of those present.

In volume V, pp 325 to 359 inclusive, under the caption 11-27-11, you will find that the Alma Alumni Association of the East met at the Hotel Beroort, one of New York's oldest hostels, situated at the corner of Fifth Avenue and Eighth street.

Inasmuch as volume V will not be off the press for some time yet, it may be well to note the persons who loaned their presence to this assemblage. Miss Allen, at one time professor of English and Dean of Wright Hall, now a member of the International Committee of the Y. W. C. A. and an editor of the "Association Weekly," was chosen unanimously to preside at the festive board (five years in Wright Hall was an excellent preparation). Blanchard, '03, now manager of the "Continent," Brook, '03, pastor of a rapidly growing congregation at Plainfield, N. J., Winton, '04, national manager of agencies for the Mutual Benefit, and Mrs. Winton, Soule, '06, twice editor of the Almanian, ex-college orator, now a Ph. D. and pastor at Somerville, N. J., Morse, '08, who is taking post graduate work at Union, Horst, '08, pastor of a Philadelphia church, MacDonald, ex-'09, a senior at Auburn Theological, Finlayson, ex-'09, a junior at Union and a candidate for M. A. at Columbia, and Lindley, '11, a Fresh Law at Columbia were present. Among those members who were unable to attend were Miss Carey, '11, taking post graduate in English at Columbia, Marsh, who is holding an important position with the McMillan Company, Robinson and Himmelhach, rising attorneys of the metropolis, Marchmont, Junior Law at Columbia, Angel, a secretary of the A. I. C. P., and Von Thurn, a junior at Auburn.

Viands having disappeared and a reunion decided upon for about Easter time, the organization chose Finlayson, President; Blanchard, Vice-President; and Angell, Secretary-Treasurer. Winton read a letter from "Prexy" who has done so much for Alma. From this we learned of our Alma Mater's increasing strength, numerically and financially, and Winton was instructed to send our greetings to the faculty

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PHILO STUNT PARTY

Never before has the student body witnessed such original and unique performance as the one last Friday evening in the reception room at the Wright Hall, when the Philo girls gave a real stunt party—the kind that brings shouts and applause from its audience.

This unique entertainment was given in ten separate acts and each one was carried out by only those girls who could do it.

The program opened with a song by two girls in the southern dialect and acting was an important feature.

Act 1.—"An Interrupted Courtship." In this Carrie Neilson was the young lady at home, and Clara Hanel, the gentleman caller. Their evening was interrupted several times by such as agents and members of the family, but even at last it had to be given up in despair.

Act 2.—"Pioneer Hall." A scene in the boys' hall is always amusing, Margaret Borg acted the part of "Pink Anderson" in his room and it is needless to say that the boys dropped in to see him and talked of college gossip.

Act 3.—"Pin Money" was a reproduction of a real scene in Jean McGill's and Bernice Harrison's room, when ten old girls came around collecting money for pinholes. If you want to know the object of the collection, just enquire of any old girl.

Act IV.—"Wax Dolls" were next in order. Alice Kennedy was Madam Nordica; Della Struther, Abraham Lincoln; Gladys Gorton, the laughing lady; and Clara Hanel, the suffragette. These were all wound up in their order to see if they were in working order and very often all did their stunts at the same time which produced rather a non-fusion of sounds.

Act V.—"Booth." In this act, the part of a popular college girl was taken by Marion Rounsifer, and between her "Prof.," "Si" and absent "Jack" her evening was kept full.

Act VI and VII were scenes from two classes—Psychology to Prof. Randalls and English to Prof. Denford. These brought shouts from the students and it was the students in those classes that could appreciate the jokes on the professors and the "stars" of the classes.

Act VIII.—The closing act was a farce entitled a "Fudge Party." The scene was in a college girl's room and the real college girl's spirit prevailed throughout. Those taking leading parts in this were Sue Brown, Etta McCrocker and Alice Kennedy.

In all the stunts the girls showed themselves to be real performers. Appropriate decoration made the scenes attractive and another pleasant feature was the music furnished between acts by Bernice Walker. Candy was sold and it is needless to say that the Philos entertained every minute.

Saturday at 2:30 the fair was held in the reception rooms. The wares were displayed and every one it seemed was there with the money. The boys were "permitted" and accepted the permission with alacrity.

It proved as great a success as the stunt party. And it is hoped that the girls will do it again.

GOOD NEWS FROM COACH--SUMMER BASE BALL RULE TO BE RESCINDED

This morning we received the following letter from Coach Grady, who attended the meeting of the M. I. A. A. base ball directors at Albion Friday. We believe that it will interest you.

Dear Wilcox:—

I consider my schedule a very good one, playing both Albion and Olivet at Alma. Both games are on Friday and ought to draw good crowds. I scheduled games with Adrian, but do not know whether we will play them or not, as the other schools are against them. Albion and Hillsdale would not schedule games with them, while the other colleges did.

Summer base ball was discussed at length, of course. I was very much in favor of it. All the others said they were, and I AM SURE THAT THE OLD RULE WILL BE ABOLISHED and summer base ball will be allowed here after. A meeting will no doubt be held in January and the rule rescinded.

Adrian claims that they will be world beaters in base ball. Leith, their coach, is full of "Kiira," and I went so far today as to tell him so. All the schools, including Adrian, like Alma and her teams. It looks like we are the best liked in the bunch, Olivet will really have the strong team in the intercollegiate as she has most of last year's men back, including Sanford, their star pitcher. The "rag" will be up between Olivet and Alma, and I hope for the good of humanity that Alma wins.

I expect to get a good catcher out of either Pug Wood, Vogt, or Hyde this Brillmyer and Freddie Myers will no doubt alternate on first and pitch unless someone else turns up for first. I am going to make a pitcher out of Baldy McCloy if he returns. He has the makings all right. Rogers, Voegeli, if he returns, Goodrich and Simenton are strong contenders for the infield, with Pohly and McCloy back for the outfield. Kitchen is said to be a catcher.

Outside of the M. I. A. A. games, M. A. C., Michigan, the Mt. Pleasant Indians and Normal, and Ferris will probably be played. Well, that's all that I have for the present. Must close so that I can catch my train.

Your's for a good paper,
Coach Grady.

Miss Melcher at Alma.

Miss Margery Melcher, one of the ten traveling secretaries of the Student Volunteer Movement, was the guest of the Young Women's Christian Association at Wright Hall Tuesday and Wednesday of last week. While here she met the cabinet of the association, the Student Volunteer Band, and Wednesday afternoon she addressed the college in the chapel. At this last meeting, she gave a most interesting discussion of a subject vital to all Christian students, "Can the World Be Won to Christ." Undoubtedly these meetings and the personal consultations with Miss Melcher have given a strong impetus to the study of and the personal interest in this great work.

Woodruff and Omens were initiated into the hidden mysteries of the "Itapikegs" last Friday Night.

RELICS FOR ALMA

Collection of Indian Antiquities to be Added to Hood Museum

ALMA HAS BEST IN STATE

Bush Collection of Yellowstone Park Minerals Also for Alma

Before the close of the college year, Hood Museum at Alma College will contain the finest collection of Indian relics in the state. Already there is a splendid collection in the museum, and within the past few days, President Bruske has turned over to Prof. McCurdy one of the Ellis collections which has been presented to the college. Another Ellis collection has been promised to Dr. Bruske and will doubtless soon be placed on exhibition here.

The Ellis relics were found on two adjoining farms near Bridgeport. On the farm is a high bluff, overhanging the Flint river, and on that spot there in the early days was an Indian village. This bluff has proved to be a veritable mine of interesting and perfectly formed antiquities, which Alma is fortunately able to add to her collection. One interesting spot in the old village is a place which is covered with flint chips, and which was evidently an arrow factory.

Another collection is being packed for shipment to Alma, which is the only one of its kind in the state, and possibly in the country. It is a splendid collection of minerals from the Yellowstone Park, presented to the college by Mrs. C. B. Bush of Owosso. Mr. Bush, who recently died, was the original government surveyor who was employed in the famous national park, and he was able to collect an assortment of valuable specimens which cannot be duplicated, for the government, as soon as it discovered the mineral wealth of the region, closed it to collectors. This collection will be on exhibition before spring.

Library to be Enlarged.

Dr. Bruske has informed us that the college library is to be enlarged before spring. The number of books has been constantly and rapidly increasing, until there is no longer room for them in the present stack room.

Therefore it has been decided to equip the second story of the building into a stack room and there place the volumes which are least used. This will give more room and add greatly to the convenience of the library.

Inexpensive Xmas Gifts.

The Y. W. C. A. will hold a bazaar on the afternoon and evening of Saturday, December 16, at Rhodes' drug store. A very attractive line calendars, blotters, work boxes, manicure sets, etc., will be sold at surprisingly low prices. Drop in on your way to Stevie's.

Hazel Dulong, ex-'13, is spending a few days with friends in Alma.

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Next week you are going home for a vacation. You are going to meet your old school mates, some of whom are attending other schools, and others who will go away to school next year. What are you going to tell them of Alma? What are you going to have to say for "your" school. Alma is going to make an extra effort to start her second quarter century with a record breaking freshman class. What you will have to say, what influence you will bring to bear, will all have its effect in helping to bring new students to our school. Alma is counting on you to put in a good word for her.

We know it is early, but we want to call the attention of the student body to the fact that Alma wants another splendid edition of the "Maroon and Cream" this year. The college annual takes time and if the matter is taken up and an organization effected early in the year, much hurry and confusion during that last few days of school can be avoided. Think about it, and when the time comes to act, be ready.

Is It You?

There's some cuss who's always knockin'.

Is it you?
Every scheme of life he's blockin'.
Is it you?
Some one's always, always mopin'
And in darkened ways a grop'
Stead of hangin' on and hopin'.
Is it you?

Zeta Sigma Officers.

At a special meeting of the Zeta Sigma society held Friday afternoon, the following officers were elected for the coming term:

President—Robert Hume, '12.
Vice-President—Leon Lauderbach, '12.
Secretary—Allen Hooper, '13.
Treasurer—Leon Koolvord, '13.
First Critic—Ernest Sebring, '12.
Second Critic, Oral Misenar, '13.
Janitor—Joseph Buell, '15.

The term just closing has been one of the best and most helpful in the history of the society. The literary work of the members has been of a superior quality and is steadily improving so that the next term promises to be still more successful.

The basket ball team plays the first game of the year against Detroit "Y" at Detroit tonight.

Ernest Thompson Seton addressed the students of the college at the Gym this afternoon on "Indian Dancing."

Pacifiers by Pete.

There are many plentiful ways of wording a gem of literature, so that it may suit the public palate, soothe the ear of the crabbed cynic and tickle the humorous of the comedian. Yes, we repeat, there are many ways but when the circumstantial have been sifted to the last cinder, when the jury has come to an unanimous verdict, and the poor old judge has passed another sentence, still you have to confess that Roy Yerex without doubt has the "Worden" of the matter down to a science. It was quite a jump, from the improvising of songs to the calling of the author, but Yerex discarded his former song hit "Mandy, How Do You Do?" and bridged the chasm in a very unassuming manner.

Dr. Randels: "Mr. Von Thurn will you please put the drawing of the stereoscope on our handsome little blackboard?"

L. Von Thurn: I have a bad ankle and am not able to stand on it long enough, Professor."

Dr. Randels, to class, collectively: "Hum-um. Has anyone a good ankle?" Yes, gentle reader, the silence was very intense. Nope, he didn't either. They all look expectant but it was useless. Instead, he called on Fraker.

We are some gompered, astounded you know, but that Mr. Franklin Joseph Kolbe most certainly has the professional air. Why, man, he has the current topics of our nation at his finger tips, and as for previous years, he can tell you as an eye witness, how David slew Goliath, the favorite jewels of Cleopatra, what Abraham paid for a suit of clothes, what prompted the whale to heave up Jonah, all about the greatness of Chas. II. and Lewis XIV, how many Holsteins Peter Stuyvesant used to pasture on Long Island, and even what Bill Taft eats to increase his avoirdupois. Why, man, it's gompering.

Speaking of delusions, Monty enlightened Psych class on one. Monty remarked that he thought he saw Prof. Cook coming up the street and it wasn't. This is an exact quotation. No doubt Monty was getting ready to take a side street on account of that over due board bill. Anyway we would like very much to know, what the appearance of the man was, that gave Monty the impression that Secretary Cook was striding that way. It hardly seems probable that Mr. Monteith would have been so deluded.

The Has and the Are.

I'd rather be a Could Be
If I could not be an Are;
For a Could Be is a May Be,
With a chance of touching par.
I'd rather be a Has Been
Than a Might Have Been, by far;
For a Might Have Been has never been.
But a Has was once an Are.

Alpha Theta Play.

Every one remembers what a treat the Alpha Theta girls gave the college and town, when they presented their play last year in the chapel. No one has forgotten the delightful spirit of merriment which prevailed it. Every one felt his cares and worries roll away as if by magic and a general glow overspread him as he watched the progress of the play. The girls took their parts like finished artists and gave such a naturalness and spontaneity to the whole affair that it was a joy to behold.

We are informed that they are going to give another play, and that very soon. No one can afford to miss it, so watch for the announcement of the time and place.

Miss Belle Wallace of the K. G. class of '06, spent Sunday with Miss Mullenbach at Wright Hall.

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Stunt Party--Wright Hall--Dec. 8

==== **"Nuf Sed"** ====

ALUMNI.

Robert Craig, '08, who is in the employment of the U. S. government as a forrester at Hebo, Oregon, has recently had a promotion in his work. He has been placed at the head of a range with several men under him, and at present is replanting a large tract of land. Since graduating in 1908 Mr. Craig has pursued advanced study in forestry at the university for two years and since 1910 he has been engaged in the national forest service. The first year he spent at Hermansville, Mich., and last June was transferred to Oregon, where he was employed at the time of his recent promotion.

In the Detroit Times of December 4 is an article of considerable length by the financial editor concerning the Brock-Hardle Lumber Co., of Durango, Mexico. W. E. Brock, '02, is senior member of the company and at present is in Detroit selling stock of the firm, that the large timber tract owned by them may be developed. The article in the times is in answer to a request to the stability of the organization and its prospect of success. The editor says towards the conclusion of the half column article, "The promoters are men of good standing and the prospects for the right sort of management, which is highly necessary for the success of the proposition, are good in my judgment."

A letter from Roy Jennings, one of our old basket ball stars, speaks of his most successful season as coach of the Newton, Illinois high school basket ball team. His team has played fourteen games already, losing but two of the entire number.

A postal received from Roy Phillips contains a picture of Roy Phillips, Jr. Roy Sr. is carefully grooming the young man for a place on the Alma foot ball and base ball teams of 1928.

A clipping from the Harbor Springs Graphic, describing the beautiful home wedding of Steven B. Hill and Miss Elnora Hoover, was sent to the Almanian by Mrs. Maude Bishop Clarke, '99, who was one of the guests at the happy affair. The Graphic says in part: "From the invitations to the final detail of the ceremony it was a delightful, simple, and unique wedding, and one of the prettiest that have occurred here in some time," and following with an elaborate description of the event. In closing the following compliment is paid the bride and groom:

"Mrs. Hill is a young lady, who has been highly esteemed from childhood in this community, and possesses many valued friendships. Mr. Hill, during his visits here has won the esteem of his acquaintances, and the young people leave for their future home at Bad Axe amid a shower of the best wishes."

Mrs. Clark, '99, and Clarence DuFoe were former Alma students present at the wedding.

The committee on the Mary C. Gelston memorial library are continually busy in the effort to secure the sum of \$650 that remains to complete the endowment of \$1,000. They are receiving a hearty response from every one who has been interviewed or to whom a letter has been sent. About three weeks ago the committee sent out its first appeals and since that time subscriptions to the amount of \$150 have been received. This means that there are still \$500 to be secured in the next few weeks. Among the subscriptions received are four \$20 each, and it is felt that there will have to be several more of this denomination if the completion of the project is assured. Several letters have been sent out by the committee the last few days and it is believed that replies from these will bring the amount raised up to a much larger sum than has been secured already.

N. Y. ALUMNI BANQUET

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and student body.

From the concluding pages of this chapter those who care to read relieved of its burdens, the heart what is uttermost. 'Tis on occasions will garner this. "The festive board such as this that bits of our college and class history, which we fondly believed our professors unaware of, are laid bare. Now, however, we realize that they knew more than we dreamed possible. It was only when in our rashness we came nigh to severing this from "this to this," as Polmius in Hamlet says, that they forbade our escapades. Yes, we've all had our midnight spreads in unhallowed spots, placed buggies on the ridgepole of Prof's barn, stolen the pulpit, the skeleton and the silverware, elevated bovines to unseemly heights, sold campus tickets and chapel seats, each separately believing himself to be doing something fiendishly new. Yet withal we reverence those professors who refused larger salaries and broader opportunities that they might give to us of their knowledge. Our football heroes may soon be forgotten, but as we grow older we will place the memory of our class room counselors in the niches of our mental Hall of Fame. We, the sons and daughters of Alma, alumni and the present student body are 'all-year-fans,' all hoping and striving for a larger, a more efficient Alma Mater."

Olivet Girls to Orate.

This year Olivet is to be represented in the Young Woman's Oratorical League. The young ladies who have competed for the honor of representing Olivet and thereby introduced a spirit of rivalry and enthusiasm into the preliminaries are the Misses Pearl and Mary Blair of Big Rapids, Ethelyn Rust of Flint, and Lovina Lowrie of Traverse City.

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Von—"Did you hear why they
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Ox—"So, spring it."
Von—They were afraid so many
sunken barjo would hinder naviga-
tion"

We Mention No Names.

One of our absent-minded profes-
sor- was busily engaged in solv.ng
• • problem when tJc "urfe
hazily opened the door of Ins *
brary and announced a great family
event.
' "The little stranger has arrived,
Professor."
"Eh?" said the professor.
"It's a little boy," said the nurse."
Little boy, little boy," mused the
professor. "Well, ask him what he
wants."

The Depot Was Lost.

Chinaman- You tellee me where
railroad depot?
Citizen—Wbat- matter, John?
Lost?
Chinaman—No! me here. Depot
lost.

"The Female of the Species" cer-
tainly showed "A P." how to raise
the coin the other night.

A nickle a pin hole.
A quarter a light;
Don't rub it in, hoys,
They might want to light.

EUTERPE NOTES

On Saturday Evening, Nov 5,
theEuterpc society gave a dinner at
Wright Hall in honor of Miss Mar-
ian Rosacrans, a former member of
the society who » at Albion college
this yejar. Three tables were ar-
ranged together at the end of the
dining room and were beautifully
decorated with carnations and smil-
ax. To mention the more substan-
tial part of the meal would perhaps
only excite envy, it is sufficient to
say that nothing along the line of
good things to eat seemed to be
lacking. Other guests of the so-
ciety were the two music instructors.
Mr-. St Johns and Mi-- Roberts,
Miss Ha/el Crosby of Merrill, and
Mrv Drake of St. Louis.

Often times one wonders what the
people of other countries think o
the music of our country. Desiring
to hear the opinion- of some of the
representative countries, last Mon-
day evening's program was given
to a f';:Sus'io11 of this subject. The
following proved to oe *H, rnciV0 j-
and interesting program:
Music in America from a Lohent-;

Dvorak Point "f vic" ' - Amonin Over State Savings Bank. Alma
—Bertha Rielby.
Development of Music in America
i a point of view, by j
Anton Seidl.
—Helen B. Cook.
Impressions of Musical America

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If " cdy over l.....
Kobbins entertained Ada-
Elide Russel of Ypsilanti over Sun-!
day.

Louise Mitchell expects to leave
the first of the week for her home in
Harruvillc, being compelled to with-
Irav from college owing to eye
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litica, scicncc jn Chicago University,
lectured at the Realty Tuesday even-
ink, on 'T|K \ cw l-atrriotism" in the
place of the »cheduled lecturer, D
Markcy, who was ill.

Lloyd Smith, ex '14, who entered
Northwestern College thL fall, lias |
returned to bis home in Alma.
Coming Alpha Theta play.

Prof. \\'e>t was in Ann Arbor the
greater part of last week.

The sun dial i- again on duty on !
the campus.' Its face has been re-
cut and a new stylus placed, and ii
now keeps a not at all inaccurate l
track of the time.

Ilie Central Michigan Round Ta*
hi • held it- annual meeting at Alma j
this last Friday and a number of
Central Michigan educators were
present at the ban'uct and discus-;

to pay all old baggage bills during
the next few days.

Among the improvements which
wo may expect to -ee <Wthc campus
in the near future is a pair of beau-
tiful bronze lanterns which have j
been presented by the class of p.toti. I
They are work- f art UIU will add T-I A T) U A ^
much to the beauty of the campus. | A* ^ U 4 \ w

At special meetings of the liter-
ary societies Friday, each Society
voted five dollars f0 flic Oratorical :
Association, which has some imme-
diate hills to meet and no income j
until the contests and debates dur-
ing the -pring.

ALMA'S M. I. A. A. BASE
BALL SCHEDULE.

April 2>—Ka/.oo at Alma
May 3-4—Alma at Adrian
May 10-11—Alma at Hillsdale
May 17—Olivet at Alma
May 24—Albion at Alma

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Don Call, ex'12, visited friends in .Al
ma over Thanksgiving and the week end

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