

# The Weekly Almanian

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## ANNUAL MAY RECITAL

Given by the Pupils of the School of Music.

## MUCH GOOD TALENT SHOWN

Program was One of the Best Ever Given by the Department.

Seldom have the music lovers of Alma college and the city had the opportunity of enjoying such a pleasing program of musical talent as was presented by the pupils of the school of music last Thursday evening in the chapel. For a decade or more the annual May recital has been the criterion of the year's work in the departments of vocal and instrumental music, but never has the thorough painstaking work of the instructors been shown more clearly than by the splendid exhibition of the pupils of this year. Viewing the recital from a very critical standpoint, there was scarcely a flaw during the whole evening's entertainment and certainly everyone who took part deserves unstinted praise.

Much credit is due Miss Theo Amsbury who accompanied the singers. Her faultless playing and the unconscious assistance she rendered the vocalists by the expression she gave their song added much to the beauty of the piece. The overture, an eight-hand selection, was exceptionally well rendered by Misses Brown, Miller, McGill and Mitchell and was a fitting introduction for the program of the evening. Miss Beatrice Jackson followed with a solo, "The Gypsies," which was very much appreciated by the audience and brought much applause. Her clear voice and pleasing manner have always been popular with the students. Mr. Hume in "Love the Peddler," interpreted with great skill the gentle humor of the song and was very strongly applauded. Except for some work on programs during Commencement Week this was probably Mr. Hume's last appearance before a college audience as student—he graduates next week. During his four years' here he has sung in both church and college choirs, as well as in the chorus, and this year was on the quartette which made several successful trips about the state.

With both a vocal and instrumental selection Miss Bielby was the only one to appear twice during the evening and in her dual role she was equally pleasing. Chaminade's "Expansion," her piano solo, was well liked. While her two vocal solos displayed her remarkably clear voice.

The true range of Miss Clark's beautiful soprano voice was well shown in "Spinning," which she sang exceptionally well.

"Two Grenadiers," by Mr. Cook, was the finale. He interpreted the patriotic pathos of the famous song in a highly pleasing manner.

To Miss Roberts and Mrs. St. Johns too much praise cannot be given for the splendid work of their pupils in this recital as well as all other musical affairs which have been

## WRIGHT HALL DIRECTORY.

Beatrice Jackson—Three pictures are better than one.  
 Mary Clark—I'm just crazy over Mr. Goodrich.  
 Purl Moreland—Haven't I the sweetest room-mate?  
 Clara Hanel—I like to be friends with the boys.  
 Lee Gilray—Oh, cut it out, cutey!  
 Sadie Crawford—Curiosity is my long suit.  
 Dorothy Baker—Well, I don't see why the girls wanted to do that!  
 Marguerite O'Neill—Hello! Yes, this is me, Billy.  
 Della Struthers—My hair gets redder every day.  
 Margaret Allen—Oh, don't tell me my hair is pretty.  
 Carrie Neilson—Come, Hovey, let me kiss you.  
 Ruth Hovey—Ah, come on, kids; I've been down town five times today already.  
 Mildred Allen—I'm quiet but happy.  
 Esther Shepherd—Hello!  
 Nina Lewis—There are lots of advantages living in Chicago.  
 Lulu May—I do so love to be sick.  
 Ruth Robbins—Well, I just wouldn't go to the Coach's table.  
 Gladys Gorton—Yes, I know Leon's a nice boy.  
 Gladys Dershem—I never care if I miss classes as long as I can sleep.  
 Faith Welton—I can't learn anything here.  
 Margaret Boag—We have the best time at the dean's table.  
 Alice Kennedy—My! but I was mad.  
 Sue Brown—Who borrowed my alarm clock last?  
 Bess Bishop—Well, I guess I will.  
 Florence Younglove—Just a toss of the head is enough.  
 Katherine DeVries—It's awfully pretty, but—  
 Marion Hartness—Yes, Esther and I take turns carrying water.  
 Esther King—Why! do you think I'm nervous?  
 Hilda Van Emster—I love to be alone and meditate.  
 Bernice Miller—Wellesley for mine next year.  
 Ruth Robinson—Oh, I'm so tired even if I did go to bed at seven-thirty last night.  
 Vivian Miller—I do just as I please.  
 Jean Cornwell—I'm from Cadillac.  
 Jean McGill—Every lassie has her laddie.  
 Bernice Harrison—I've just decided to turn him down.  
 Helen Mitchell—We can paddle our own row-boat.  
 Gail Peacock—I'd like to study chemistry and nothing else for five years.  
 Carrie Rowland—Gee! kid, but I love you!  
 Mabelle Dean—Hurry up, Miss Farley; I'm waiting.  
 Josephine Butler—I never study at night—it's hard on my eyes.  
 Marguerite Maloney—And I am Irish, too.  
 Joyce Fairweather—Oh, don't leave me Betsy.  
 Elizabeth Crossen—Oh, the dickens!  
 Neva Jenkins—Merle and I get along so nicely together.  
 Edith Hagoden—Where are you, Mandy?  
 Florence Rozema—I could play hymns and hymns and hymns and I sing, too.  
 Carol Gray—I like to make a hit.  
 Otha McCracken—I'm just a Freshman.  
 Rosalie Netyorg—Oh! you're just a dear.  
 Vera McLaughlin—But, girls, the dean might catch us.  
 Beryl Broderick—Someone said that I was polite and stylish.  
 Eva McBain—Where on earth are my pumps?  
 Bertha Bielby—Come on, girls, let's dig in.  
 Isabel Henderson—Smile, and the world smiles with you.

enjoyed this year by everybody. The standard of the Music Department was never higher than it is now and it reflects strongly their ability as instructors.

Because of the extremely rainy weather the attendance was not very large, as it is usually when a recital is to be given, but what it lacked in numbers it made up by appreciative enthusiasm and each number was well applauded both before and after its rendition.

## TO THE SUBSCRIBERS OF THE ALMANIAN.

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## PUPIL'S RECITAL IN COLLEGE CHAPEL.

On Friday afternoon, June 7, at 4:15 a recital will be given by Miss Theo Amsbury, a senior of the Music department, and Miss Florence Rozema, a junior of the same department. All are cordially invited to attend.

## ALMA BESTS M. A. C.

In Short Contest Stopped by Rain—  
 Score 1 to 0.

## SHOX OUT ALBION 2ND TIME

Alma Has Won Every M. I. A. A. Game Played  
 This Season.

### BASE BALL.

With the locals in the lead of a 1-0 count and the wind still blowing in their favor the Alma M. A. C. game last Tuesday was called off on account of rain, at the end of the second session. Myers for the Maroon Sox was out of the Farmers reach. Not a single visitor reached first and three out of the six men up whipped the air. Spencer did the twirling for the Agricultural college but he was found easy and pounded hard in both innings. The field was in such an unsatisfactory condition that fast ball was out of the question.

Alma started the first inning with a rush and landed upon Spencer in a disastrous manner. A base on balls and a neat little single put men on the bases. McCloy's smash to the fence came at a crucial moment and allowed Wood to cross the rubber for the one run of the game. The second was practically a review of the first. Although no runs were made Alma used the big stick in good form and were only hindered from rounding the circuit because of the slippery diamond.

It took the full nine innings last Thursday for the Senior college and the Senior Preps to down the class of 1913 and then by only a two point margin. While the score is large it does not signify any weakness upon the part of the members of the respective teams. The final count was 13-11.

The opening inning was a clean blow up on the part of the third year men, which was overcome after the first stages of fright had passed off. With the Seniors having the big end of the deal the most of the time the Juniors took a brace in the sixth and landed on Omans terrificly. With two down the 1913ites closed up the distance between the two scores so that it looked like an even game. Rather overcome again by their spirit, the Junior clouds gathered and the Seniors walked around the bases at leisure, crossing the plate for one count and pocketing the first of the series.

The surprises of the day were many. Robert Hume the left gardener for the Seniors and Rex Van Duzen for the Juniors were the big hits of the game. Hume's work in the field deserves credit while Van Duzen's spectacular handling of the stick was startling. Landon was a little off color on the bases.

Myers was invincible to Albion in the second game of the season with Alma and went down to a stinging defeat on the down state lot last Friday. Emmons was easy for the Maroon Sox being forced to the bench in the third. The following account

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## CORNER ON DATES.

Friday and Saturday, June 7 & 8 Inter  
collegiate Field Meet at Albion.

Sunday, June 9. Baccalaureate

Tuesday, June 11, Annual Concert.

Thursday, June 13, Commencement.

## SENIORS SURPRISE

## THEMSELVES.

The Seniors that they would take a little stroll out to Prexy's woods Thursday evening and enjoy a picnic supper together. Just as they were laden with the provisions and ready to start, the city bus stopped in the front of Wright Hall and invited those Seniors to take a little drive. The Seniors are always true sportsmen, so they made themselves as comfortable as possible, with some fault-finding on the part of the majority because of the excessive heat and stuffiness of the conveyance. But after the first few hours had passed, and the horses had forgotten to stop at Prexy's, hilarity fell in abundance upon every one.

Where those horses were going no one knew and it is more than doubtful if any one knew, but in the course of a few hours, they decided to stop and the Seniors much to their astonishment recognized the home of Mr. and Mrs. McNall. Have you ever heard of Mr. McNall's before? well perhaps not but the Seniors have and they have never forgotten that most delightful evening in February which they spent there, at which time they were adopted into the family.

Of course there was lots to eat, beans, sandwiches, eggs, coffee, pickles, salad and home made cookies, and of course, everyone was hungry. After the eatables had disappeared, the dishes done, a little music and reciting were indulged in and then the neighing of the horses was heard and departure was taken, leaving the yell of 1912 ringing in the ears of our most devoted foster parents.

## PROF. W. D. HENDERSON.

Prof. W. D. Henderson, of the University of Michigan, gave one of the most pleasing and helpful addresses in the college chapel last Friday morning, that the students and faculty have had the pleasure of listening to for some time. He spoke of the great advances that has been made in science and invention during the last decade and took a brief look into the future. His talk was practical, having plenty of fine humor mixed in, and it was right to the point.

## NOTICE

I will call for trunks at least an hour and a half before train time to avoid mistakes.  
A. R. MAYBEE

## GIRLS' OPEN HOUSE.

The girls and members of the faculty who live in Wright Hall always make their open house the "big event" of the year. It was held later than usual, June 1st being the date. The clemency of the weather furnished opportunity for a new departure. In order that the beautiful large porch might be more appreciated the girls brought it into prominence by dispensing with elaborate decorations, within, and by having Japanese lanterns strung about the porch and the lawn. The entertainment too was held out of doors upon the lawn, viewed by the guests from the porch. The early part of the evening was spent in inspecting the girls rooms. All of which had been made ready for company and thrown open in the usual hospitable way.

The entertainment consisted of music and a pantomime Roman Wedding. The latter proved very interesting and was, too, very beautiful. The Roman mother of the bride greeted her guests and immediately following the ceremony began slave boys bearing torches, entered the wedding procession, the star, and the lovers were united. Prayers and libations to the gods were rendered after the Roman custom. The scene was beautiful. The girls costumes were of delicate light material made after the latest Paris style.

Refreshments were served by the committee on refreshments of which Miss Jackson was the chairman. Daintier refreshments could not be imagined than the cream, laced high with crushed strawberries and supplemented by ladies fingers.

Miss Broderick, chairman of open house 1912 deserves to be complimented, as does Miss Kennedy who acted as chairman of the entertainment committee for the pleasant evening afforded every guest.

## STRING QUARTETTE.

The personnel of the Detroit String Quartette which is to give a concert in this city includes four musicians of high attainments. Of these, Mons. Henri Matheys, who fills the viola desk, has attained considerable distinction as a composer as well as an extremely finished virtuoso. Mons. Matheys was induced to come to America by the directorate of the Detroit String Quartette and has won the admiration of critics and music lovers wherever he has been heard. One of his compositions, a "Serenade" for strings, which will be played in this city, has won much favorable comment.

Dr. N. J. Corey, the well known lecturer and organist, says:

"Mr. Matheys' 'Serenade' for string quartette shows a composer of unusual capacity and musicianly powers. He is destined to take high rank as a composer.

## EUTERPE NOTES.

On last Monday evening the semi-annual election of officers was held. The following are the officers for next fall: President, Helen B. Cook; Vice-President, Bertha Bielby; Secretary, Helen Mitchell; Treasurer, Florence Rozema; Almanian Reporter, Ruth Robinson. After the election the officers entertained the society at "Stevie's" as usual.

## DEPUTATION TEAM.

The Alma College Deputation team this time consisting of A. C. Edger-ton, F. S. Johnson, L. vonThun and E. A. Thompson made a short week end visit to Elsie and report a very successful trip. They say that "Chepe" and his boys are great entertainers. This is the second time that a similar team has made such a trip this spring. Several teams will be sent out early next fall.

Miss Mariam of Mt. Pleasant spent Sunday at Wright Hall.

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### ALMA BESTS M. A. C.

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of the game is given by the Detroit Free Press for Saturday:

"Alma outclassed Albion at every stage of the eight-inning game played here today, making the contest a rather listless affair. The locals were unable to connect successfully with Myer's benders, and Emmons, the veteran twirler, proved a disappointment, being replaced early in the third inning by Weigman, the freshman, who gave a fairly good account of himself.

"Only one home player reached the third sack and only two got to second base. A difficult running catch by Pohly was the only feature."

The score:

|              | AB | H | O  | A  | E |
|--------------|----|---|----|----|---|
| Albion       | 4  | 0 | 5  | 2  | 0 |
| Wilmot, 2    | 3  | 0 | 1  | 0  | 1 |
| Layhor, 3    | 3  | 1 | 7  | 1  | 2 |
| Field, 1     | 3  | 0 | 1  | 1  | 0 |
| Emmons, p-r  | 3  | 0 | 1  | 1  | 0 |
| Luce, m      | 3  | 0 | 1  | 0  | 1 |
| Posluszny, s | 3  | 0 | 0  | 3  | 3 |
| Lutz, 1      | 3  | 0 | 3  | 0  | 0 |
| Weigman, r-p | 3  | 1 | 1  | 2  | 0 |
| Reid, c      | 3  | 2 | 5  | 1  | 0 |
| Totals       | 28 | 4 | 24 | 10 | 7 |

|               | AB | H | O  | A | E |
|---------------|----|---|----|---|---|
| Alma          | 5  | 1 | 0  | 0 | 0 |
| Simenton, 3   | 5  | 1 | 0  | 3 | 0 |
| Rogers, 2     | 4  | 2 | 2  | 0 | 0 |
| Wood, m       | 4  | 1 | 0  | 0 | 0 |
| McCloy, r     | 4  | 0 | 11 | 0 | 0 |
| Vogt, c       | 4  | 1 | 1  | 2 | 0 |
| Myers, p      | 4  | 0 | 1  | 1 | 0 |
| Goodrich, s   | 4  | 2 | 0  | 0 | 0 |
| Pohly, l      | 4  | 1 | 7  | 0 | 0 |
| Brylineyer, 1 | 4  | 1 | 7  | 0 | 0 |
| Totals        | 38 | 8 | 24 | 6 | 0 |

Innings: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8  
 Albion 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0  
 Alma 2 0 4 0 1 0 0 0  
 Runs—Rogers 2, Wood, 2, McCloy, Goodrich, Pohly—7.  
 Home run—Wood.  
 First base on balls—Off Myers 1, off Weigman 3.  
 Struck out—By Myers 11, by Weigman 1.  
 Double play—Posluszny, Wilmot and Field.  
 Stolen bases—Field 2, Posluszny, Simenton 2, Rogers 2, Wood, McCloy, Vogt, Myers, Goodrich, Brylineyer.  
 Time—1:45. Umpire—Hall of Olivet.

### PHILOMATHEON.

At a meeting of the Philomatheon Society, Monday, May 27, the following officers were elected:

- President—Della Struthers.
- Vice-President—Ruth Robbins.
- Secretary—Marcella Adams.
- Treasurer—Faith Welton.
- Almanian Reporter—Susie Brown.
- Sentinel—Gladys Dershem.

After the business meeting the newly elected officers treated the Society to ice cream and crushed strawberries and delicious cookies.

Miss Pierson of Stanton spent Wednesday afternoon on the campus.

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### COMMENCEMENT WEEK.

The following is a general outline of the program that will be given next week at the twenty-fifth anniversary of the founding of the college. We urge every alumnus and alumna of the college to be present and share the pleasures of the carefully prepared entertainment.

Sunday, June 9th.  
 10:00 a. m. Communion of the Lord's Supper in the Presbyterian church.  
 3:00 p. m. Address before the Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. in college chapel.  
 7:30 p. m. Baccalaureate sermon to the class of 1912 at Presbyterian church.

Monday, June 10th.  
 9:00 a. m. Presentation of Athletic emblems.  
 3:00 p. m. Kindergarten program.  
 8:00 p. m. Class Day play.

Tuesday, June 11th.—Historic Day.  
 10:00 a. m. Mass meeting in the chapel. Addresses on the fathers of the college and on the early days of the college. Report of the committee on beautifying the campus and opening of the gate to the Davis field.  
 3:00 p. m. Alumni Re-union. Addresses by Rev. A. John Van Page, Miss Ruth O. Pierson, Rev. Sherman L. Devine and Hon. Frank Knox.  
 Memorial library and presentation and hanging of class pictures.  
 8:00 p. m. Annual concert of the school of music.

Wednesday, June 12th.  
 10:00 a. m. Graduating exercises of the Academy.  
 10:30 a. m. Meeting of the board of trustees.  
 2:00 p. m. Graduating recital of the school of music.  
 7:45 p. m. Senior promenade on the campus.  
 8:45 p. m. President's reception.

Thursday, June 13th.  
 10:00 a. m. Exercises of commencement. Conferring degrees, etc.  
 12:30 p. m. Reopening of the library.  
 1:00 p. m. Commencement Banquet, Wright Hall.  
 You are most cordially invited to share in the joys of this memorable occasion.

### FROEBELS.

The Froebel Society elected the following officers for the first semester of next year:

- President—Rosalie Netzorg.
- Vice-President—Valetta Sopher.
- Secretary—Josephine Butler.
- Treasurer—Esther Shephard.
- Pianist—Anna Froelich.

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**All's Well...**

Helen's lips are drifting dust,  
Ceasar's dead and turned to clay;  
Still there's cause to hope and trust;  
Lincoln Steffens, day by day,  
Keeps old Cosmos in her place,  
And directs the human race.—Ex.

**How They Are Alike.**

College student are a good deal alike after all. Some are fired by ambition, some are fired by patriotism, and some are just fired.—Ex.

**Classified.**

A patriot is a man who successfully hooks his wife's clothes.

A martyr is a man who makes the endeavor and fails.

A hero is the man who refuses to try.

A coward is a man who remains single to avoid it.—Judge.

**Thirty Years Hence.**

Peggy—"Say, Willie, if we were both young and single again, would you want me to be your wife?"

Willie—"Now, my dear, what's the use of trying to start a quarrel just as we have settled down to enjoy a quiet evening?"

**BORROWED JINGLES.**

**Fly Song.**

Ten little flies  
All in a line;  
One got a swat!  
Then there were \* \* \* \* \*  
Nine little flies  
Grimly segate,  
Licking their chops—  
Swat! There were \* \* \* \* \*  
Eight little flies  
Raising some more—  
Swat! Swat! Swat! Swat!  
Then there were \* \* \* \* \*  
Four little flies  
Colored-green-blue;  
Swat! (Ain't it easy?)  
Then there were \* \* \* \* \*  
Two little flies  
Dedged the civilian—  
Early next day  
There were a million!

**NEWS ITEMS.**

Gladys Gorton entertained her mother over Sunday.

Alice Kennedy spent Wednesday evening at her home in St. Louis.

Sue Brown entertained her sister from Farwell over Sunday.

Miss Dora Alexander of St. Louis, who recently returned from Germany where she was studying music, attended the annual May Recital given at the college last Tuesday evening.

Miss Theo Amsbury and Miss Dora Alexander made a business trip to Chicago last week.

Mr. Brinkman is entertaining his sister from Old Mission.

Carol Gray spent a few days last week at her home in Edmore.

Miss Mary Rose of Ashley took part in the annual May Recital last week.

Mrs. C. W. Sidebotham of Brooklyn is visiting her parents in Alma and will remain over Commencement week.

Everybody is glad to shake hands with Grover Burke, who is spending a few days in town.

St. Louis won the class A banner and the relay in the Gratiot County meet last Saturday. Alma won the class B banner and relay, Marks refereed the meet.

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**DR. BRUSKE SPEAKS**

The Decoration Day address before the G. A. R. was given this year by President Bruske. The day was ideal, the opera house was crowded to overflowing and the Doctor was at his best. He took for his subject, "The Vision of Peace and the Fact of War. The following is a brief abstract of the address:

Man has always been a fighting animal. His first struggle was against the elements. He next fought the wild beasts and finally men came to war with each other.

Civilization endures war for peace. Had there been no Thermopylae, all the products of Greek civilization would have been lost. Had there been no battle of Trafalgar, there would have been no free commerce of the sea. Had there been no Lexington and Bunker Hill, there would have been no United States. But for the battles of Gettysburg and Five Forks, there would have been no union, nor a nation embracing 95,000,000 people.

The war with Spain made the United States a world power. This nation has the second navy of the world. The federal revenue amounts to \$604,000,000 yearly. Two-thirds of this amount goes for the support of war.

It is necessary for a nation to be prepared for war. The United States is concerned as to who shall rule the Pacific, whether it shall be the Orient or the Occident. Military men expect a war over this issue. It is for this reason the United States must be prepared. Dr. Bruske suggests that it would be wiser to let a Tribunal chosen from both the Orient and the Occident, which should be directed in its work by the enlightened Christian conscience decide the issue.

Dr. Bruske predicted the day of war between Germany and Great Britain would come. He said England had gained her possessions through conquest. Germany was overcrowded, then why should she not gain new land by conquest, and this land would have to come from England. Such a war would see arrayed on one side, the nations of Germany, Austria and Italy, while opposed would be the combined armies and navies of England, France and Russia.

The address was closed with words of praise for the progress made by the soldier-citizens since the closing of the war.

**MISS ALEXANDER.**

Do not fail to hear Miss Dora Alexander at the Annual Commencement Concert, Tuesday evening, June 11. This will be an opportunity not only of hearing a finished artist, but a graduate of our own college who is destined to become a star in the realm of music.

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