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It's Kazoo Here This Friday Night—Let's Fight

COLLEGE PARTY A HUGE SUCCESS

Leap Year Valentine Masquerade Proves Most Enjoyable Event of Year.

"Wonders will never cease" someone has said, and surely he must have visited Wright Hall. Certainly, he would have found no exception to his rule had he attended the masquerade party given there last Monday evening. Within the heart-becked walls of the reception room, living wonders walked, talked, and turned to stare at the new wonders who came slowly down the stairs or in from the outside world. Gradually they learned to accept each other, ask no questions, and join together in the evenings fun.

First of all, the wonders chose numbers, found partners, and joined in a lively march given for the benefit of the more serious-minded faculty members who sat by the fireside and watched the bright pageant pass by. Over mountains of chairs hastily erected in the dining room, thru the dark depths of the basement and out again into the brightly lighted rooms the wonders marched. The music stopped abruptly as a very insignificant looking colored boy with patched trousers and a beautiful drawl mounted a radiator and announced that the Frosh would entertain the crowd with a stunt. New partners were found and the stunt began.

A band-master, capable and loud-voiced, cleared the floor for action and announced a dance. Several partners, bashful or bold, responded to his call and took their places in a quadrille. The music began and the band-master, doing double duty, lead his band and gave directions to the dancers. No bit of grace was lost by the appreciative audience and loud applause sounded when the stunt ended.

Once more partners were chosen and high musical taste was developed under the influence of the gentle voices of the Ladies' Quartette which filled the room with a delightful song and encore.

The sophomore and junior stunts followed. The first, pictured, in pantomime form, the tragic love-story of the fair fisher-maiden, Clementina, and her beloved Chauncey. The scenes were so deeply dramatic in nature and the audience was so moved by the sad tale, that only the trials of a young school teacher with her mischievous crowd of pupils could bring smiles again to their faces and joy to their saddened hearts. To the juniors belongs the credit of reviving mirth again.

By this time most of the wonders had disappeared, for as masks slipped off old friends recognized one another, and when the ladies were given the opportunity to say "Won't you be my Valentine?" they must have chosen their partners for the senior stunt in all good faith. Like that given by the sophomores, this stunt was very dramatic. The heart-felt words of the hero and heroine were so absolutely honest that they could not but rouse the sympathy of the listeners. No tragedy ended with the plot, however, and the audience was left content with the thought, "They lived happily ever after."

While refreshments were being prepared, Riley's poem, "That Old Sweetheart of Mine," was given as a reading by Mr. Sharrar while Miss Crosby accompanied him on the

NOTICE
All Wright Hall girls who intend to go to the dance Friday night, after the Kazoo game, must first obtain permission from home.

piano. Refreshments over, the world of play and pageant became suddenly the world of school and discipline as bells sounded the hour for departure. Soon those who had so recently been merry-making in Wright Hall were quietly journeying into the land of dreams.

LAST OPPORTUNITY
Alma Collegians Have Chance to Determine M. I. A. A.

The Kalamazoo College six time champions of the Michigan Intercollegiate will meet the Alma College quintet Friday evening on the high school floor in the final M. I. A. A. game of the season, which while not giving the Maroon and Cream a chance at the title, does give Alma a wonderful opportunity to name the champion.

A defeat by Kalamazoo will give the Kazooks their seventh straight M. I. A. A. basketball rag, but a victory over Young's clever five will dethrone the Celery City champs and put the Blue and White of Hillsdale at the top of the M. I. A. A. basketball leader.

If Kalamazoo wins from Alma the Hillsdale five and the Celery City cagers will be tied for first place, and technically Kazoo will still have the title, having held it last year.

Alma has the opportunity—and it seems to be no slight one right now in view of the great fight that Alma put up against Albion and in particular against Adrian, with her sadly crippled five. Alma defeated the latter team practically as bad as any five has.

The Maroon and Cream is showing the old time Alma fight. In its crippled condition its teamwork was not of the smoothest, but the work of this week will settle that down considerably and it is certain that by Friday night Kalamazoo will find a foe worthy of her best—and Alma fans, who have seen Kalamazoo-Alma battles of the past know what real Alma fighting spirit is.

The Maroon and Cream quintet will need better support in the forthcoming game than it has had in past games. It will take pure unadulterated Alma spirit and scrap to name the title holder. Alma can do it, if she will.

WEEKLY PRAYER MEETING
The regular weekly prayer meeting was held last Wednesday evening in the college chapel, Miss Blanche Mashin leading. She chose for her subject "God of Nature," and showed how this great universe of ours was not hostile to God's forces, but rather worked in harmony with them, in that they were placed there by the Creator for man's enjoyment and comfort. Henry Van Dyke's "God of the Open Air" was read as a prayer, then Miss Mashin read his "Gentle Life." In the story Van Dyke lays down four great maxims of life, the following of which, with good common sense, will lead the truly earnest seeker into realms of joy and self satisfaction, based on that desire to know the right and to do it. "You shall seek that which you desire only by such means as are fair and lawful, and this will leave you without bitterness towards men and shame before God."
If God really rules in your heart, does it matter what goes on above or outside? It cannot, for you are enthroning an ideal there, and because of it, your life is becoming more Christ-like, in its purity and nobility.

STUDENT COUNCIL MET LAST WEEK

Important Regulations Regarding Dancing Drawn Up at Special Meeting.

A special meeting of the Student Council was held Monday, February 16, 1920.

The following officers were elected: President—George Hebert. Vice president—Charlotte Hawes. Secretary—Beatrice Harrington. Treasurer—Esther Friedrich. Marshal—Melvin Vender.

Committees were appointed to investigate and consider the misdemeanors of Pioneer Hall and of the library; also to formulate rules for campus dancing.

The report of a committee appointed to draw up the necessary rules regarding campus dancing is given below:

Whereas the faculty has referred the subject of dancing to the Student Council, the following report is submitted:

It is recommended that:

1. Campus dancing be allowed at Alma College, not to exceed twice a month.
2. A campus dance is defined as any dance including only college students and to which all college students are invited whether it be held on the campus or not.
3. There shall be at least four chaperones, two of which shall be faculty members.
4. Campus dances may be given only by the Student Council, through its delegated committee.
5. All regulations relative to time and place of campus dances shall be decided by the Student Council committee in consultation with the Dean of Women.
6. Rules of Action and Dress.—(a) Dancers shall at all times carry themselves with ladylike and gentlemanly manners. (b) Such dances as the Waltz, One-step, Fox-trot, etc., are approved; but such dances as the "Shimmie" and other new dances are disapproved, and will not be tolerated.
7. The Student Council further recommends that college students refrain from dancing in public and semi-public places.
8. There shall be no group dances other than those given by the Student Council until further notice.

It is suggested by the committee, that the first campus dance be held Friday, February 27, following the Kalamazoo game.

It is also recommended that the necessary permission from home be secure immediately if a dance is to be held on the above date.

BASKET-BALL STANDINGS

	won	lost	pt.
Freshmen	2	0	1000
Seniors	1	0	1000
Sophomores	0	2	000
Juniors	0	1	000

THE MAROON & CREAM
has posted lists of all those who have not yet had their pictures taken for the annual. Those mentioned should attend to this at once.

FROSH HUMBLE SOPHS
Take Hard Fought Game by Score of 10 to 7.

The Fresh put a victory to their credit Friday evening, when they smashed the defense of the Sophs in a preliminary to the Albion-Alma game, and took a jump up in the Inter-class series. The score, 10 to 7, indicates clearly just how hard-fought the contest was, the Sophs battling their hardest to stay the defeat.

The Freshies put over their victory by taking a four point lead in the first half, scoring two fouls and two field baskets, while the Freshie guards were holding the Sophs to one lone field basket.

In the final half, the Sophs staged a comeback, outscoring the First Year players, but the ground lost in the first frame could not be made up.

EATA BITA PI

Not far from the sumptuous board of Wright Hall is a new board. Gathered around this month-old table are six freshmen, three from the Porter apartments and the rest from other "Frat Houses" on College avenue. Whether this is a boarding club or a Club house is a question for debate. A piano, music, and some one that can play more than chords, blesses this house. Breakfast, for the original purpose of the club was to completely satisfy the inner man, is served between 8 and 8:45 a. m. I'll not tell of the ham and eggs, for this would be considered a fairy tale rather than the plain facts. Yes it is complete even to the fair waitress and singing canary. To those in domestic science we recommend our cook, but now I am touching upon a subject sacred to all of us and so must abruptly stop, lest the waiting list becomes a college roster. Suffice it to say that Bacon's Brilliant Boarders consider themselves the sleekest, most tractable, best fed group in the college.

ALDRICH DIES

Friday, February 19, Verne S. Aldrich a resident of the city of Alma and an Alma student in 1905 and 1906, died at his home on East Superior street. Mr. Aldrich was a former student of the business department of the college and very well liked by both students and faculty. Always gentlemanly and courteous he made a good impression on all with whom he came in contact. Mr. Aldrich was one of the owners of the Superior Baking Co. of this city, a concern that has been very successful. This concern has always taken a deep interest in Alma college and in the drive for an athletic fund last fall was one of the top-notch contributors. Mr. Aldrich was a brother-in-law of Howard Moore, a student in school. Death was due to bronchial pneumonia.

LOOK AT THIS

January 23.—Adrian 25, Alma 22.
February 21.—Alma 43, Adrian 7.
January 27.—Albion 27, Alma 24.
February 20.—Alma 24, Albion 12.

The old pep is here to stay—it's going to beat Kazoo Friday. The team needs your support Friday night.

ALMA WINS OUT IN BOTH GAMES

Displaying Wonderful Fight Team Easily Defeats Albion and Adrian.

Crippled the worst that it has been any time this season, the Alma College basketball team found itself this past week, and put over two glowing victories, winning from Albion College 24 to 12, on Friday evening, and then coming back Saturday night and burying Adrian's five under an avalanche of field baskets, the score of this encounter being 43 to 7, one of the worst defeats that the visitors have suffered this year.

The Albion game was Alma's all the way, the Maroon and Cream taking a lead on a field basket by Gaffney, after the Methodists had broken the ice by a goal, from a foul, by McDonald, and not once thereafter were Field's men able to even up the count with the locals.

Gaffney had fine success during the first half in evading the guarding of Spanenberg, and caged four field baskets, these being all that Alma had in the first session. Two fouls by Richards completed the scoring for the half, for the Presbyterians.

Spanenberg connected with one field basket for the Methodists during the first half, and McDonald added three points to the Albion count with three out of nine fouls that he tried.

In the second half Field sent Spanenberg back into the game with instructions to ride Gaffney, which he did to such an extent that the Alma center was out of the scoring for the balance of the game. This caused the Maroon and Cream warriors to feed the ball to Glen Richards, who cut loose with three from the field. Eddie Boyne added another during the half. Richards had eight attempts on fouls during the second half and counted six points on the eight attempts.

Albion also scored slightly more in the second session getting two field baskets and three fouls for seven points.

The teamwork of both quintets looked weak, but that of the Alma five was somewhat superior to the work of the Methodist crew, and gave the Maroon and Cream its victory. There is no question, however, but that man for man the Alma cagers had a better knowledge of the game than have the men of the former Alma Mentor, who is now guiding the destinies of the Albion team.

Standing out as features from the Alma standpoint was the work of G. Moore, G. Richards and Gaffney. Spanenberg and McDonald looked the best for the visiting five.

With the services of Captain Tebo, Crittenden and Smith, taken from the Maroon and Cream in a single week, the prospects for a victory over the Albionites was slight, as it was rather expected that there would be a great hole in the Alma defense in particular as a result of the loss of the two guards. The high class work of Moore and Mills at the guards, was such that the Methodists could not solve the defense and proved the deciding factor in the battle.

Lineup and summary:
ALMA—24 **ALBION—12**
Boyne.....R. F..... McDonald
Richards.....L. F..... Tonpalik
Gaffney.....C..... Spanenberg
Moore.....L. G..... Richards
Mills.....R. G..... Harper

Field baskets—Gaffney 4, Richards 3, Boyne; Tonpalik, McDonald, Spanenberg.

Goals from fouls—Richards 8 out of 12; McDonald 6 out of 17.
Adrian's five seemed to have more polish than the Albion quintet, yet it was just as helpless before the sterling, savage defense that was maintained by Moore and Mills, as had been Albion on the previous night, and only three field baskets (Continued on page four).

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KEEP IT UP

Some one remarked that he wondered whether it were possible for the Almanian to print editorials on any other subject than school spirit. The answer might be that perhaps "school spirit" was the best subject to be found to write on. At any rate we don't think that it has been dwelt upon too much. Comparisons are always odious yet we feel no hesitation in saying that Alma has the best spirit of any college in the state. Alma has always been noted for her spirit. The most cherished memory in the minds of her alumni is the recollection of the times when that spirit has openly expressed itself. Realms of paper have been consumed in expatiating on it, no issue of the college paper, no edition of the annual would have been complete without some reference to it. Yet when we think of Alma spirit one need not, necessarily, think of her periods of triumph. That spirit has been there through the stormiest periods of her career, through vicissitude and trial as well as prosperity it has continued to exist in undiminished vigor.

Some pessimists in our midst have at times thought they saw signs of its decay. Being always on the lookout for trouble, they, at times, thought they found it and said, "The old pep is gone." But they were deceived; when need has risen that spirit has always been found equal to the emergency—and our enemies have been confounded.

Perhaps these knockers received some such surprise last week when they found that, notwithstanding a poor football season and an equally unfortunate year in basketball, the team still had the same fight and the fans the same pep as they did in "the good old days."

But this is no time for self felicitation (when is there ever such a time) there is much to be done, many contests entered, many obstacles overcome. Mention is thus made of the means by which such victories have been won and will be won again in the hope that it will accordingly be made better use of. In but a few short weeks the snow will be gone and then will come the call for baseball, track, tennis, and debate entries as well as the omnipresent call for the repression of that impulse to dream instead of study.

Just in what measure we will have imbibed of the spirit of our Alma mater will be shown by the way in which we tackle those tasks. Let us unitedly reject any thing that will draw us away from our duties. Depression, cynicism, indolence, frivolity—whatever it may be we turn from it and make these months the best that old Alma has seen in many a year.

Meanwhile let's show Kazoo how to fight—Friday night.

We understand that many of our girls did not attend the game last Saturday night because it meant the loss of a social cut. Alma has always had just cause for pride because of the way the women of the college have supported the teams. It has always been understood that social cuts were allowed to provide for just such occasions as the Adrian game and it has always been held that no better use of them could be made than for such a purpose. The girls who did have spirit enough to make the sacrifice for their school can inform the others that it was one of the liveliest, peppiest, most interesting games of the year. Alma cannot afford to have any portion of her student-body away from the

games through any misconception of rights or fancied grievance, this matter has all been thrashed out before and ought not come up again. We quote from the Almanian for February 16, 1917:

"It is understood that it (attendance at the game) meant a social cut, but there is no better way to take a cut than to attend a college function, and if the loss of a cut means so much to such girls, the loss of the display of their school spirit is much greater. Let's not be afraid to use a social cut for a game or college affair, in which every student is vitally interested. Although these valuable privileges for the enjoyment of the social evening are most coveted and will be in the spring, yet it will pay to show your school spirit."

And the moral of it all is—Let's beat Kazoo Friday.

AT LAST—Something new under the sun. The "Down-Easters" electrified the rest of the college, Saturday night, by putting on a spread that was positively the newest thing yet. Dinner time found the Dean's table attractively decorated with red, white and blue streamers and lights; and seated around it five sumptuously garbed women. The five sat on—but no one appeared to occupy the four remaining places. Finally when the nervous tension in the rest of the dining room was at the breaking point the heroes of the evening arrived. No, that was not the men's glee club; merely some down east rough-necks trying to show the rest of us how it was done. From the reports of the good time they had we rather think they succeeded. At any rate the men all report that they were able to partake heartily of the abundant eats provided, in spite of their outlandish garb.

TEBO LEAVES SCHOOL

Sinclair Tebo has been forced to leave school on account of the serious illness of his mother, who has been sick since last Christmas. Just before going into the Kalamazoo game, a telegram was received telling Tebo that his mother's condition was serious, and asking him to come home at once. Under these circumstances, Captain Tebo, went into the contest and played his usual fine game. Early the next morning he left for Detroit. With the leaving of Sinclair Tebo, the basketball team loses its captain, the sophomore class its president, while the college loses one of its most popular and trust-worthy students.

Sinclair intends to re-enter Alma next fall, and we are certain that all the students and faculty are looking forward to the time when he will be with us again.

Y. M. C. A. NOTES

The men's prayer circle met on Ash Wednesday evening. Dr. Brokenshire gave a very interesting talk on the history of the lenten weeks and especially Ash Wednesday. Plans have been made to continue the meetings of this prayer circle twice a week and an outlined study of personal work will be taken up. The inspiration that Dr. Luceck left with us should not be lost. Let's keep it alive by making these studies interesting by discussions and enthusiasm.

The vacancy on the cabinet, caused by the absence of Mr. Tebo, has been filled by Ralph Dean, who will have charge of the religious meetings.

A suggestion had been made that Alma needs an organization, on the campus, of students who are contemplating entering the ministry. A number of men enter college with the definite idea of giving their lives to the church but before they are graduated there are a few who decide to enter some other form of work. Never before has the church needed recruits as it does now. Could not a student organization help Alma to supply her share by fostering the calling to the ministry in those who come to us under its bidding?

"The call for prohibition help in European countries is great; the college students are alive to the importance of the matter and only want organizing."—Guy Hayler, London, December 4, 1919, Pres. World Prohibition Federation.

The old Alma FIGHT will beat Kazoo Friday night.

THE GLEE CLUB

The weeks speed by and before we realize it spring vacation will be here, bringing with it that much discussed Glee Club trip. Preparations are already in full swing for this event. Monday, last week, found us struggling into our dress suits for the first time this year, and 1:30 we underwent the ordeal of a picture taking. Baker had his usual good luck and we are going to have a picture that will add a great deal to the memory books.

There have been some radical changes in the proposed itinerary, the trip finally decided upon being west and south, covering somewhat of the same territory covered by the Club four years ago. The trip will probably include Stanton, Greenville, Lowell, Ionia, St. Johns, Flint, Lapeer, and Saginaw, although this is not definite. Manager Knowles already has some of these contracts in, and Assistant Manager is now on the road to bring in the rest of the contracts.

The line-up for the trip will be as follows:

Clifford H. Royer, Conductor.
Hazel Crosby, Accompanist.
First Tenors—James Hopkins, William Amos, James Beattie, Lee Melvin Vender.
Second Tenors—Thomas F. Jackson, Lyle De Barnhart, Paul Cash, Clair Perrigo.
First Bass—Hartzell Lyons, Edwin Boyne, Oswald Knowles, Floyd Kreuger.

Howard Handley, Harold Johnstone, Stanton Ellett, Jack Sutherland.

Intensive practice has begun, and it is hoped that every man will realize the importance of faithful attendance. If every man feels that the responsibility for the success of the Club rests upon him there is no doubt but that this will be a banner year for putting Alma on the map musically. The Home Concert will probably be held the first or second week after spring vacation, and we had better begin boosting for it now.

Y. W. C. A.

A very interesting and helpful meeting of the Y. W. C. A. was held on Thursday evening. Miss Conyne was the leader. After the opening song and prayer the scripture was read after which, Miss Conyne talked to the girls on the subject of the "College Girl in Relation to herself." She brought out the idea of self development, through faith, ideals, and perseverance. Contrast is also a good way for introspection and improvement, if care is taken to avoid jealousy and dissatisfaction which comes from the wrong kind of comparison. The idea of a picture gallery of ideals was very fine. The pictures should all be beautiful and caricatures should be omitted. Persistence in the attainment of our ideal, through faith, is the main success of life.

HILLSDALE—KAZOO TRIP

Mills was greatly worried all the way to Owosso about that hole in his stomach.

For some unknown reason Boyne and Mills disappeared after the Kalamazoo game. Mills had come out of the fracas with a black eye.

"Crit" disappeared as soon as we hit Kazoo, leaving behind him an empty ring box. We wonder—

Victor said he felt like a new man after spending an evening with his nurse.

Eddie and Razoo seemed so anxious to get back home that they were willing to go without sleep or eats. We wonder, again.

Smith lost part of his dress suit at Kalamazoo. Does he walk in his sleep? It doesn't pay Smith to have friends visit him who smoke.

"Rich" thought so little of basketball at Kazoo that he went to the game without his suit.

Jim Howe looked up into the eyes of the midget waitress at the "Hillsdale Dawn," who had showered him with malted milk and said "Remember the Jamestown flood."

We should have left Crittenden at Kalamazoo, it seems that the climate here does not agree with him as well.

DEBATE NOTES

The triangular debate with Hope and Kalamazoo promises to be interesting. The question will probably be "Resolved, that the Federal government should adopt a system of compulsory arbitration for the settlement of labor disputes." The recent labor troubles should furnish plenty of material for a fight as interesting as any football or basketball contest. We hope that the debaters and orators will receive the same loyal support that the athletic teams have received. The debating contest is two months away and the Oratorical contest is almost here. Miss Bowman and Mr. Dasef will go to Adrian on March 6. All together, Alma! Let's give them our backing.

CARD OF THANKS

Mr. and Mrs. Hutchinson and family, desire to express their deepest thanks to the girls of Wright Hall for the clothing sent them during the sickness and death of their daughter.

Let's beat Kazoo—Friday night.

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HOW TO DO IT

Unknown Writer Illustrates Proper Way to Write a Letter.

Last week one of our students found the letter below and feeling that it contained material that would be helpful to many turned it in. Since the identity of the writer is not known we feel that we are betraying no confidence in printing it here.

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"Dear Friend,
"It is very hard to answer such a letter as you sent me today. I will answer it to the best of my ability. I wish you to understand that I am not in the habit of talking about the women and have not done so about you, in particular. It is one of the well-known features of Pioneer that no one of its inmates can be seen with any of the fair sex without starting considerable gossip, just like an old ladies tea-club. Chevie and Hale were pulling a so-called funny stunt when they kidded you down in the European. It is one of the regular events of the campaign up here so do not feel offended. Indeed it is a mark of great honor to be kidded like that and you should conduct yourself accordingly. But I am disgracing.

"I have a girl in my old hometown who is as fair as the lily and who clings to me as her chief interest in life, bound by indivisible bonds. Her father is a drover and he drove me away and as your father is a shoe merchant, he would probably kick me out. But despite all trials and tribulations her affection is still in my possession and I love her as I do strong drink and Camel cigarettes. So you see it is useless for you to further make advances upon my affections and importune me.

"In future, please pick on some one of your own age because I am not of age yet and my mother exercises very strict supervision over all my affairs—of the heart and others also.

"There seems to be only one man who would answer your requirements and he is temporarily incapacitated. I mean (censored). Could not explain over the wire because I was afraid the wire would break.

"This is all that seems necessary to be said at this time so I will bid you a fond ADIEU.

"Most sincerely,
H.

THEODORE ROOSEVELT'S NINE REASONS FOR GOING TO CHURCH.

1. In his mutual world, a Churchless community, a community where men have abandoned and scoffed at or ignored their religious needs, is a community on the rapid down grade.

2. Church work and church attendance mean the cultivation of the habit of feeling some responsibility for others.

3. There are enough holidays for most of us. Sundays differ from other holidays in the fact that there are 52 of them every year—therefore on Sunday go to church.

4. Yes, I know all the excuses. I know that one can worship the Creator in a grove of trees, or by a running brook, or in a man's own house just as well as in a church. But I also know as a matter of cold fact the average man does not thus worship.

5. He may not hear a good sermon at church. He will hear a sermon by a good man who, with his good wife, is engaged all the week in making hard lives a little easier.

6. He will listen to and take part in reading some beautiful passages from the Bible. And if he is not familiar with the Bible, he has suffered a loss.

7. He will take part in singing some good hymns.

8. He will meet and nod or speak to good, quiet neighbors. He will come away feeling a little more charitably toward all the world, even toward those excessively foolish young men who regard church-going as a soft performance.

9. I advocate a man's joining in church work for the sake of showing his faith by his works.

CAMPUS NOTES

The Sophomore class held a meeting Thursday noon in the college chapel. Vice-president Louise Osgood read a letter from Sinclair Tebo, class president, which contained his resignation. Mr. Tebo was forced to leave school because of the serious illness of his mother. Walter Tomion was elected to succeed Mr. Tebo as class president. The report of a party committee, which involved the attendance in a body to the Albion game was accepted. Richard Bailey and Harold Johnstone were elected class cheer leaders. A special committee was appointed to draw up class yells.

"Tar" Robinson, '16, who is a member of the firm of Robinson & Smithers, importers, of New York, is spending a few days at his home in Alma.

Miss Milate Guichard, Wright Hall, has been very sick the past week. Miss Guichard is a member of the freshman class.

Verne "Ping" Richards, '18, who is attending U. of M., spent the week end with his brother Glenn.

Miss Fromilda Young, who has been at home, because of illness is expected back this week.

Prof. Brokenshire—Mr. Kemp will you please tell me if it is lawful in Michigan for a man to go into a neighbor's yard and pick up the fruit which has fallen over the fence into the neighbor's yard?"

Fusser Kemp—"In that case I think it is lawful for a man to go into the neighbor's yard to pick up the nuts."

Dr. Black of Milford was in Alma last week to accompany his daughter, Miss Blossom Black, who has been ill, home.

Someone—"Wright Hall has awfully high steps."

Someone-else—"Yes, but the ceds are pretty highsteppers."

The optics class of the Physics department made an interesting visit last Wednesday to the Losey jewelry store, downtown. The students were initiated into the mysteries of the ophthalmoscope and also conducted experiments on each other to determine the radius of curvature of the eye, using the instruments there. They also examined the appliances used in studying astigmatism, color blindness, etc.

Tomion—"Say, do you know Crit is a sick man?"

Dunning—"Isse?"

Tomion—"No, Victor."

Louise Osgood (seeing Fluey and Richards in the Post Office playing with a dog)—"Is this your dog?"

Fluey—"Sure this is our dog."

L. O.—"My isn't he a homely one?"

Owner (Standing by)—"Homely? Why say when I get that dog washed up I wouldn't let you see his picture."

Calkins (to Prof West)—"Yes we want all the Professors to get new pictures taken for the Maroon and Cream."

Prof. West—"H-mm I thought that was just for the good-looking ones?"

Calkins—"No, we want them all."

Mrs. Barnes was the guest of her daughter at Wright Hall last week. Mrs. Barnes resides in Charlotte.

Erickson has been running around the campus all week looking for some one who gave him seventy-five cents to give to some one else, he has forgotten who both were. We suggest that Mr. Erickson donate the money to the conscience fund.

Mrs. Buck of Lapeer visited her daughter, Louise Buck, at Wright Hall last week.

Victor Crittenden has been very sick the past week with a cold. Sunday, accompanied by his mother, he left for his home in Howell.

Jokes in other books remind us

That we have some bum ones too; Blame yourself—they'd sure been better,

If you'd handed in a few.

Vernie (at table)—"If this keeps up we will have to live on love."

Claire W.—"Well here is where I starve."

Let's show Kazoo how to fight.

"The old pep" was back in Alma right over the week end. Thursday night the bunch got to rampaging around the "Y" room, trying to high-jump over all the furniture in the room and indulging in diverse vocal stunts. Finally some one suggested a serenade and in a few moments a goodly crowd was trooping Wright Hall-ward. Assembled in front of that structure they raised their voices in plaintive tones and for some little time kept the air melodious with the sweet strains of "There's a Long, Long Trail A'winding," "Sweet Adeline," "Alma Will Shine Tonight" and all the rest. Finally to the dulcet notes of "Good Night Ladies" they wended their way homeward where they indulged in a snake dance through the halls in honor of the approaching victory over Albion.

The folks who borrow trouble seldom need it.

"There are two kinds of jokes at which students should laugh—the funny ones and the ones the profs. tell."—The Campus.

"Of course, we all have our handicaps in life, but about the toughest case I ever saw was a stuttering boy whose voice was changing."—Will M. Cressy.

A STUDENT'S FORUM

It has been said that our grandfathers struggled with the problem of religious liberty, that our fathers settled the matter of political freedom, and that it will be for us to face, and settle, the problem of industrial liberty. Whether true or not, at least we know that there are many problems confronting us even today. That as students we must, collectively, determine many things. This is especially true now that we have student government at Alma.

Unquestionably one of the first steps to be taken, in settling these problems is to get them discussed. If the points at issue can be thought out in the minds of all and an intelligent public opinion formed a long step will have been taken in the settlement of such problems. To facilitate this discussion and the formation of this opinion the Almanian proposes to institute an open column in the paper that shall be known as the Student's Forum. Any student or faculty member who feels that he, or she, can throw any light on any question of the day; or who has any matter, of interest to bring to the attention of the school is at liberty to use this space as a medium. Address all communications to the Almanian and leave them in the Almanian box in the secretary's office.

MAY TRAIN HERE

There is a strong probability that the Saginaw Aces, champions of the Michigan-Ontario league in 1919, will do their spring training in Alma, because of some of the advantages that this city offers.

If the Aces under the management of "Red" McKee, former Tiger, come here for their spring training the champs will use Republic field for their workouts, it was stated a few days ago by Manager Olmstead of the Republics. It is very probable that in such a case a number of spring training games would be staged between the Aces and the Republics and the Aces and the Alma College nine.

ROMANCE IN INDUSTRY

Sensing a reality in the romantic or human interest side of present day industry, Charles M. Ripley of the General Electric Company has written a book entitled, "Romance of a Great Factory." In it he has pictured the curious, spectacular and awe-inspiring aspects of the achievements and the life in a big industrial plant and describes the sights and sounds of the shop and its men, which he terms "a great industrial orchestra."

In an introduction, Dr. Charles P. Steinmetz, states that writers too often fail to see the wonders of our day. "In the modern factory," says Dr. Steinmetz, "there is far more romance and poetry than there has ever been in the history of the past, but we must be living with it to see and understand it. That is, we must be living with the men of our century and not sheltered in the dust of past ages."

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The Idlehour

Hobart Bosworth

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Fatty Arbuckle

—in—
"The Garage"

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and
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INFORMATION EXPERT

A New Vocation Comes into Promi-
nence —Attracts Students.

The art director of a textile concern having an international reputation applied recently to a library school for a competent person to organize a library and information service for the benefit of the designers working under his direction. He desired some one with an alert, business-like mind and news sense; a person familiar with French and if possible with Spanish, Italian and German; some one who had studied art and was conversant with the principles of design; and if possible a college graduate. Beginning with this the art director's plan gradually expanded into a project for a general library for his firm, which should serve all departments and preserve such illustrations, pamphlets, books, periodicals, and textile samples as might accumulate. This added another qualification to those desired in the candidate, for the position required a thorough knowledge of the library and museum and informational resources of the city in which the headquarters of the firm were located. A first-rate worker was desired, and the concern was willing to pay accordingly.

The above is but one example of the opportunities which are opening to members of the library profession. Countless business houses today find it necessary to maintain libraries of their own. Their financial dealings and research problems, as well as the needs of their administration, require that they have prompt access to accurate and reliable information bearing upon whatever work is in hand. The Federal Reserve Board of some of the Federal Reserve banks, for example, maintain business and financial libraries. The General Electric Company, the General Motors Corporation, the Studebaker Company, and the American Telephone and Telegraph Company have extensive libraries. The New Jersey Zinc Company maintains a system of libraries, one at its headquarters in New York City and others at its plants in Pennsylvania and Illinois. Thoroughly equipped workers are needed for conducting all such libraries. These persons must have a good general education and the technical training provided by a library school in order to do effective work.

Supplementing such libraries as those mentioned above, and closely related to them is, of course, the public library proper, which today is subdivided into specialized sections dealing with business, technology, manufacturing, and similar subjects, as well as with history, literature, and those topics which have been proverbially looked upon as the library's chief asset. Some public libraries have, for example, special business branches located in the heart of the business districts of their communities, where there are kept financial books, trade journals, government publications concerning commerce, clippings having to do with new developments in the business world, and often graphic illustrations of new business methods and achievements. This of course is only one part of the work of the general library. It has a peculiar function today because it is looked upon as a help to the schools. Teachers and students today in the high schools and colleges cannot accomplish much without the best library equipment, whether this be in the form of a collection in a special library building, a department in the school itself, or arrangements for special use of collections by the general library. The college library is of course an established institution, in which many persons take positions who wish to work in the educational field, but who do not have a taste for teaching.

In the period of the war the United States government made extensive and highly profitable use of library workers—in fact of the seven so-called welfare agencies the American Library Association was the only one which represented a thoroughly professional body. The librarians who conducted camp and army hospital libraries in this country, who served in the transport service, and who went over-seas to the base ports, areas of occupation, and Library War Service headquarters in Paris, were able to take up their work immediately and without preliminary experiment because it was to them a matter of every day professional activity. Mil-

lions of books were placed at the disposal of the men in camps and hospitals, and even in the lines. The work thus done was recognized as having an important bearing upon the morale of the troops.

The new possibilities opened by the expansion of library work not only in public libraries, but in school, college, and special libraries, means the growth of a new profession, and one which may well claim the attention of college students who are considering a choice of vocation. It puts its members in the way of giving real service not only to their own institutions, but to their communities, for all library service is national. In fact the spread of information and the intelligent living which makes it possible are essential to progress.

ALMA WINS OUT IN BOTH GAMES

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were scored by the visitors, a point on a foul, making the total of seven that Adrian piled up.

Gaffney, Richards and Jimmy Howe constituted the offensive machinery for the Alma five, with Mills and Moore adding field baskets for good measure. Alma's Polar Bear led in the scoring with six field baskets to his credit, Richards and Howe being just behind Gaffney, having five ringers apiece. The two guards, Mills and Moore, scored within a point of as many as the entire Adrian quintet amassed.

Richards and Moore led the attack in the first half with each connecting for field baskets twice. Gaffney netted one. Four fouls made the Alma count for the half 14 against Adrian's 3.

In the second half Gaffney and Howe ran wild, each scoring five times in the half. Richards counted three times, and Mills caged his first basket since Alma tied for the title with Kalamazoo in 1918.

For Adrian Bird and Peavey were the heaviest workers both on offense and on defense, but could do little in scoring against the superb work of Moore and Mills.

Line-up and summary:
ALMA—43 ADRIAN—7
Richards L. F. Bird
Howe R. F. Harris
Gaffney C. Peavey
Moore L. G. Schoen
Mills R. G. Rich

Substitutions—Wagner for Moore, Ridge for Schoen.

Field baskets—Gaffney 6, Howe 5, Richards 5, Moore 2, Mills; Bird, Harris, Peavey.

Fouls—Richards 5 out of 9; Bird 0 out of 3, Harris 1 out of 2, Ridge 0 out of 3.

Personal fouls called—Peavey 3, Richards 2, Moore 1.
Referee—Bintz, Saginaw.

BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

February 27—Kalamazoo College at Alma.

February 28—Michigan State Normal at Ypsilanti.

March 2—Central State Normal at Alma.

March 5—Grand Rapids Junior College at Grand Rapids.

March 6—Grand Rapids Y. M. C. A. at Grand Rapids.

420 men, who were in service in the recent war, either in the army or navy, have been given scholarships or partial scholarships for the Winter Quarter at the University of Chicago.

Wellesley, Mt. Holyoke, Vassar, and Smith College have abandoned the system of admission by certificate, and now condition admission on examination only.

In the United States, there are 8,500,000 persons over 10 years of age who cannot read English. There are 5,500,000 who cannot read any language.

A delegation of Japanese university students has been in Peking, China, to express to the Chinese their entire lack of sympathy with the policy of Japan towards China, and to say that their enemy is a common one—Japanese militaristic autocracy, according to Professor John Dewey in the Dial, Nov. 1, 1919.

LET'S FIGHT!

The rule that all Alma students shall go to the south side of the gym will again be observed Friday night. Let us have no slackers in this respect.

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