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SECOND CAMPUS DANCE HELD

Affair Given by Froebel Society Saturday Night, May 8, Excellently Planned.

Soft lights and dainty party dresses added to the festive atmosphere at Wright Hall Saturday night, when Froebel entertained the faculty and students with a dance. Although Froebel is affiliated with no other society, it feels that its debt in many cases is great. A dance seemed to be the best way of returning some of the many kindnesses which have been shown the Froebel girls.

The decorations were carried out in blue, one of Froebels colors. The lights were shaded in blue and streamers of the same color hung from the chandeliers. The peach blossoms which were suspended from the side light, and which banked the fire place, gave the whole room a spring-like atmosphere. The cozy corners, which had been made comfortable with cushions and Indian blankets, were most inviting to those who were tired from the various activities of the day.

The programs were given out in a most unique manner. After dancing a short time, the various couples formed in a grand march led by Prof. and Mrs. Hamilton. The programs which were in the shape of a blue letter "F" were given to the men as they reached the farther end of the hall. When all had received programs, there was a short intermission in which to fill them out.

The dreamy strains of the first waltz made every one forget the many worries of school life, and enter into the happy spirit of the evening. The orchestra lent to the enchantment of the dance, throughout the whole program.

Among the features of the evening was a "Kiss waltz." When everyone was absorbed in dancing, showers of candy kisses were thrown out upon the floor. There was a scramble to see who could get the most. Everyone enjoyed dancing in the light of the yellow moon, which shone from one end of the hall.

The room in which the punch was served was a great favorite with all. The party was well provided with the charming patronesses whom everyone enjoyed having.

The evening passed all too rapidly, and soon the strains of "Home Sweet Home" made all realize that the second campus dance of Alma had come to a successful close.

Within five minutes after the last dance the reception room had taken on its everyday aspect and every article of furniture was in its accustomed place. The girls appreciate the assistance of the men who helped.

Y. W. C. A.

By the flickering light of the fire-place and a couple of candles, we gathered around one of the National Secretaries of the Y. W. C. A. and listened to a most interesting talk, last Thursday night.

Miss Ball, from Chicago, told about Y. W. C. A. work in America and in Japan. She explained the personal basis of membership which is being adopted by many colleges of the country. She told us about the interesting work that Miss Dunning a personal friend of hers, is doing in Japan—awakening the Japanese Christians to a realization of the true meaning of the Brotherhood of Man and the Fatherhood of God. Her remarks were greatly enjoyed.

The meeting was closed with a few words of prayer.

THINGS AHEAD

- May 11—Girls' Glee Club Concert.
- May 13—Frosh-Soph Tug of War.
- May 14—Ypsilanti at Alma.
- May 15—Albion at Alma.
- May 18—Alma-Mt. Pleasant Kg. Day.
- May 19—Alma at Mt. Pleasant.
- May 21—Alma at Kalamazoo.
- May 22—Alma at Albion.

COLLEGE WINS AND LOSES ONE

Team Boots Game With Kazoo Away, Many Errors; Trim Mt. Pleasant.

The Alma College baseball team was defeated in its big Michigan Intercollegiate game Friday on Davis field, Kalamazoo walking off with the honors by a 7 to 0 score, when fielding slips permitted the visitors to count their runs.

Six errors marred the work of the Maroon and Cream warriors, and these slips in support made possible every run that Kazoo scored. It is probable that Kazoo would have won anyway, as the Celery City nine played a stellar game, while Lambke pitched airtight ball, allowing just three singles.

Crittenden, Alma's crack hurler, pitched a fine game, and given proper support Kalamazoo would have been forced into overtime before a score could have been secured. Eight hits, all singles, which were kept widely scattered were taken from Critt's delivery. About half of these hits were used in run making, being mixed in fine shape with the fielding slips of the team. Crittenden must be given much credit for the brilliant game that he hurled for his team.

Kalamazoo scored first in the third. Fenner flied out. Bracket walked and stole, being safe at second when Boyne dropped Tomion's throw, which had Bracket by a mile. Petschulet lifted a foul that Tomion nailed for what should have been the third out. Walkatten walked. Casteel smashed the first hit of the game to center field, scoring Bracket. Hoekstra was safe at first when Boyne threw wild to first, Walkatten and Casteel scoring. Staake flied out to Scott. Three runs, one hit.

In the sixth Staake was safe on Scott's error. He was propelled to second by Lambke's sacrifice, and came home on Ferner's hit to right. One run, one hit.

In the ninth Bracket singled. Petschulet was safe on Gaffney's error. Walkatten bunted down the third base line, and a "boner" let it go for a hit. Casteel grounded out, Bracket scoring, after three should have been out. Hoekstra singled to left, scoring Walkatten and Casteel. Hoekstra was out Cash to Boyne on Staake's fielder's choice. Lambke struckout.

Lineup and summary:

ALMA		KALAMAZOO	
AB	R H O A E	AB	R H O A E
Hebert, 3rd	4 0 0 0 2 0	Walkatten, m	4 2 1 0 0 0
Vender, m	3 0 0 2 0 1	Casteel, ss	5 1 2 1 0 0
Tomion, c	3 0 0 7 1 0	Hoekstra, 2nd	5 0 1 1 1 1
Boyne, ss	2 0 1 1 1 2	Staake, lf	5 1 1 2 0 0
Crittenden, p	4 0 0 1 2 0	Lambke, p	4 0 1 0 2 0
Cash, rf & 2nd	4 0 0 3 1 1	Andrews, c	3 0 0 14 2 0
Gaffney, 2nd	3 0 0 1 1 1	Fenner, 1st	4 0 1 9 0 1
Williams, lf	4 0 2 2 0 1	Bracket, 3rd	3 2 1 0 1 0
Scott, 1st	4 0 0 10 0 1	Petschulet, rf	4 1 0 0 0 0
Wagoner, rf	1 0 0 0 0 0		
			35 7 8 27 6 2
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			Kalamazoo 0 0 3 0 0 1 0 0 3-7
			Alma 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0-0

SAY STUDENTS!
Don't forget the games Friday and Saturday with Ypsilanti and Albion. And DON'T FORGET, further, that Alma is going to hang up two scalps on those dates. We're not Fair Weather Sports, we are going to back the team to the limit. Come out and watch the team Come Back STRONG. We're going to beat Albion and Ypsi.

Chief Nevitt's Mt. Pleasant Normal aggregation went down to defeat at the hands of the Alma collegians here Tuesday in a game that (Continued on page four)

THINGS NOT AHEAD

- May 11—MacDonald - Hale Chapel Concert.
- May 14—Three K Nuptials, College Chapel.
- May 15—Semi-annual Wright Hall Chicken Dinner.
- May 18—Ward-Walker Canoe Tilt.
- May 19—Celebration of Baseball Defeat.
- May 21—Double Campus Day—Clean Up Pioneer.
- May 22—Frosh Pep Meeting, Kg. Room.

ALMA WINS FROM HOPE

Affirmative Team Takes Two to One Decision on Monday Night.

The last half of the dual debate between Hope and Alma colleges finally took place in the college chapel at 8:00 p. m. It will be remembered that the original plan was for a triangle debate on the night of April 16. For some unknown reason, however, Kalamazoo dropped out of the triangle and after some delay, the Hope negative team came here to clash with our affirmative team and thus fill up the gap.

The subject of the debate was: Resolved, that the U. S. adopt a system of compulsory arbitration for the settlement of industrial disputes in basic industries.

Mr. Olmsted, opened the debate for the affirmative. In the forceful, direct style, characteristic of him, he advocated the adoption of the proposed plan on the grounds of its necessity. By an analogy to our present law courts he showed that compulsory arbitration would be the next logical step.

Mr. Engelsman opened the debate for Hope. He stated that the negative agreed that some remedy for present conditions must be found but maintained that the proposed plan would be a radical and unwise remedy for it has failed wherever it has been tried. He further made the point that compulsory arbitration was wrong in principle. Mr. Engelsman had a smooth, logical delivery, well suited to his subject.

Mr. Boyne in a fiery address claimed that compulsory arbitration was practical because it had been successful in practice, benefits capital, labor and the general public; and because it could be enforced.

Mr. Blocker made a very good impression for Hope in an easy, confident address, stating that the affirmative's plan was impractical because the sentiment of capital, labor, and the general public was against it.

By far the best speakers of the evening were the two who closed the debate for each side. Mr. Sharrar scored high for Alma in his speech outlining the definite plan by which his scheme would work.

Mr. Cooper was scarcely less strong for Hope and showed well the results of four years' experience. He outlined the negative's alternative plan which they stated to be "industrial democracy."

The rebuttals were hotly contested with Alma holding a slight advantage. Sharrar, particularly, did sterling work here for his Alma Mater. The animation and logic with which he attacked the affirmative's arguments were no small factors in the final outcome.

This year's debate was no repetition of the last. Our team was prepared and prepared well. No less can be said of Hope. Both used material gleaned from a wide field. The contest this year was on a higher standard than has prevailed for a long time, more credit to our team which dragged down victory.

The fact that the decision of the judges was a split one is indicative of a close race. The decision of President Warriner of Central State Normal, and of Rev. Dr. Jackson, of Alma, was for the affirmative. Atty W. A. Bahlke of Alma cast his vote for the negative. Dean J. E. Mitchell of the college presided at the debate. A vocal solo was rendered in a very pleasing manner by Wm. Amos, while the judges were preparing their decisions.

TWENTY-FOUR TO GRADUATE

24 Students Slated to Receive A. B.; 15 Girls to Receive Kg. Certificates.

Commencement is fast approaching and all too soon the present members of the senior class will be scattered to the four winds of Heaven (to use a seasonal phrase). Provided all goes well in the registrar's office and examinations are not too hard, or something else happens to some of them, twenty-four seniors will don the cap and gown and walk off with their coveted A. B. on the ninth of June. Fifteen girls from the kindergarten department will also leave school at the close of this semester. The girls who will receive their certificates are: Gladys Ball, Rozella Benson, Lauretta Chase, Geneva Curren, Doris Dean, Jennie Dudley, Beulah Garland, Cleo Gill, Beatrice Harrington, Gladys Paul, Grace Rice, Fay Suffern, Norma Swift, Eunice Thompson, and Claire Whalley. Those who will graduate from the senior class are John Anderson, Eva Ardis, Marie Louise Boissot, Edwin Boyne, Myrdyn Davies, John Finlayson, Russell Gaffney, Vernie Green, Helen Grimm, Charlotte Hawes, George Hebert, Jean Jackson, Thomas Jackson, Charles Kennedy, Floyd Krueger, Blanche Mashin, Leo Miller, Lura Miller, William Murphy, Elizabeth Reid, Dale VanDuzen, Melvin Vender, Malcolm Smith, and Carroll Wenger.

All of the graduating classes have not yet decided on their whereabouts for next year, however, it is rumored that Edwin Boyne will be teaching school in Cass City. It seems that Finlayson will probably be following the same vocation in Ithaca. Blanche Mashin has accepted a position teaching for the government in Juneau, Alaska. Miss Marie Louise Boissot will be an instructor in French at Alma College next year. Miss Vernie Green will be found teaching in her home town of Deckerville, Michigan. Thomas Jackson will likely be attending medical school at the University of Michigan. Carroll Wenger will be attending the University of Chicago. Charles Kennedy will be at McCormick Theological Seminary.

Floyd Krueger will be engaged in business for himself in Chicago. Dale VanDuzen will be attending the University of Michigan. Norma Swift, it is said, will be teaching school in Alma.

OPENS VERY SOON

Alma's modern \$100,000 Strana theatre will be ready to open soon after the middle of the present month, it is believed. Workmen are working overtime every day at the present time to finish the wiring of the building, to install the near one thousand seats, to erect the fine orchestral pipe organ, and finish up the other details connected with the structure, which is probably the best built building in the city, as well as one of the most costly blocks that Alma boasts.

Girl's Glee Club Concert Tonight, College Chapel

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OUR ATHLETIC PROGRAM

The statement is often heard nowadays that the war has awakened the people of the United States to the need for regular physical training for her people. The figures relative to the condition of the public health published by our draft boards have brought the facts home to them, it is said. The fact that various bills have been introduced in congress providing for military training, but in which the important element has been the clause providing for universal and compulsory physical training, would seem to bear out the assertion.

Whether people really are aware of the need of remedial action or not, however, is not so important to us as is the question, "Does our present system of physical training really need changing? It would seem to be the part of wisdom to adjust our actions according to the answer given to that question rather than to the somewhat superficial one concerning just what is on the public's mind.

But the answer to the question seems to be that our system of athletic training really does need changing. Various colleges have recognized the need of change and sought to effect it in some way. Harvard recently promulgated a scheme by which all members of the freshmen and sophomore classes are required to attend physical education classes every day. A schedule has been worked out by which every man is a member of a team in some branch of sport, the different teams in each line of endeavor competing against each other. Thus the element of competition is attained. According to the report the plan is meeting with quite some success.

The faculty at Albion College ruled this spring that every freshman and sophomore there should enter some form of athletic competition. It has been expected there that, because of this ruling, Albion would have an unusually large track squad out.

That the authorities of our own institution have long recognized this need for systematic, all-inclusive, physical training for our students is evidenced by the fact that attendance at gymnasium classes is made compulsory for first and second year men and women.

Yet these rules are not enough. Whatever scheme Harvard University may have to fill in the gaps is still largely in the experimental stage. Moreover, should its success be proven, its applicability to a place like Alma is doubtful. The plan referred to as being followed at Albion this year is nothing new, its inadequacy for the situation has been proven before. How shall the colleges provide proper physical training for all their students?

The answer has not yet been found. Interscholastic competitive athletics are admittedly a failure as far as the majority of the students are concerned. Voluntary participation in non-competitive games, the plan pursued here during the fall and spring months, does not meet the situation. What plan would be best for Alma? All will admit that we should set about to provide some plan by which each student should receive some systematic form of beneficial exercise all the year around. The formulation of that plan ought to be the concern of every student, personally.

The matter is in your hands. If a workable plan can be devised, better than the system now in existence, the plan can easily be put in operation. Alma now enjoys the fullest degree of student government. But that does not mean that all the problems which vex us can be turned over to the student council, or any like

body. Student government means government by all the students. And this requires that all the students take an active interest in student problems and contribute their share of brain power toward solving them. Conditions here at Alma are most propitious for the settlement of such a problem as that mentioned. Why not be a pioneer in such a field? It is not at all impossible that Alma should make some very real contributions toward the solution of this question. Through the Student's Forum the columns of the Almanian are open to those who have sane, helpful, thoughts on the matter. The various societies offer excellent opportunities for the verbal discussion of this and like problems. Let's get after these things, students. If you are to accomplish any thing in your life after college you should be practicing on a small scale now. Why not evolve a plan by which all our students shall receive proper physical training? The stake would be well worth while.

FRESHMAN EDITION MAY 18

The annual freshman edition of the Almanian will make its appearance on Tuesday, May 18. The freshmen this year have not been conspicuous for their surprising support of college activities but one thing concerning them no one will deny—they have brains, and lots of them. It is expected that with some of the mental prodigies among their number working on the staff an exceptional edition will be published. The entire management of the paper will be turned over to the verdants so they will have free reign within which to indulge their powers of originality. The staff of the freshman Almanian will be as follows:

Editor in chief—Gerald Bates.
Associate editor—Anita Blinn.
Campus editor—Carl Dahlgren.
Joke Editor—Bert Millett.

GERMAN SPREAD

Thursday evening, last, Wilhelmine Ritter's German class had the time of their lives at a spread up the river. Volubly conversing, but only in German, the rollicking bunch started off with two canoes filled with students and chow (mostly chow). On the trip up a few incidents of interest occurred. First, Olmstead tried to show that he was equal to both Hercules and Neptune. This when he betrayed extraordinary indifference to the water as he pushed the canoe off a stump from the water side.

While Miss McCurdy and Miss Ritter screamed "Home Sweet, Home," Erickson put one over on Olmstead when he pulled the "Sir Walter Raleigh stunt" by letting the Misses Hainline and Iutzi walk on his coat while crossing a sand bar. This procedure was necessary because the pilot, Bill Hicks, advised them to take the left side instead of the right.

All obstacles, however, were passed successfully, as hunger was too great a force for even stumps and sand bars to reckon with. As the spread was a "back to nature" movement the steak was roasted on sticks and the coffee was stirred with a sterilized "limb." Wilhelmine nearly choked trying to swallow too many pretzels and too much near beer, at the same time. The men took mixed drinks only. The sandwiches and pickles made one think of "Ten Nights in a Bar Room." Bill Hicks' roommate had to sleep out in the open the rest of the week because of the onions that that worthy had consumed.

And so, just as the golden sun was sitting into the lap of the livid west and the dishes were laundered, the class started for home with Erickson and Miss Iutzi singing "The Sweetest Girl I Ever Saw Was Sucking Cider Through A Straw." "Haus" gained the party dispersed with a hearty "Auf Weiderssehen."

CAN YOU?

Miss Pollock told me to use my imagination in writing English themes. But can you imagine—Dorothy Beckwith without her kewpie curl

Dick Bailey without his girl.
John Finlayson in short pants
Jennie Dudley missing a dance.
Bill Hicks going without food.
Clifford Royer in a cranky mood,
Willie Ritter without her laugh,
Russ Gaffney cut in half.
Lyle Barnhardt flunking a class,
Hartzell Lyons buzzing a lass?
I can't. Can you?

A Freshman.

TWO HERE

College Team Will Meet Ypsi Normal And Albion on Davis Field.

Friday and Saturday of this week will see the Alma collegians busy on the local field, as battles are billed with two strong Michigan Intercollegiate teams, Ypsilanti Normal and Albion College.

The Normals have their strong aggregation and promise to give Coach Wood's nine a hard battle for the honors. Last year Crittenden both won and lost in games with the Teachers and is out to gain a verdict over this aggregation in the Friday fray.

The Albion College team will bring a bunch of veterans to Alma, who are determined to wipe out the string of the two defeats of a year ago, by humbling the Maroon and Cream. A former Alma Mentor, Ike Field, is the coach of the Albion team, and his promise to make the Saturday game still more interesting to the local fans, who are pulling strongly for Coach Wood's aggregation to dump the Methodists in this game.

It is highly important to the Alma team to win both of these M. I. A. A. tilts, if she expects to remain in the race for the M. I. A. A. rag, as her present position is none too good and the nine will need some loyal support behind it.

The pitchers are apparently in better shape for the games this week than at any stage of the season, and it is believed that they will be able to hold up their end of the game, and with proper fielding and hitting behind them, the Presbyterians should be able to stow away both games.

NATURE BY SUNRISE

A rather unusual and most enjoyable spread was enjoyed most heartily by the members of Miss Mashin's table last Friday morning. So many tables were having twilight feeds in the jungle, Turks' Woods, Honeyoye and various other notorious stopping places that we decided to do something just a little different, and go when the sun was just beginning to ascend the heavens. The eats were loaded on Wright Hall porch, and at 5:20, the appointed hour, the girls there assembled. Our Pioneer Hall friends were not on time, however, somehow, Charlie said that his alarm didn't go off; Eddie claimed vociferously that he did his best in his wrestle with charming sleep; and "Stuart" said he was lucky he awoke when he did for he, fell out of bed. We sang songs all the way to the river; but funny, when we passed Notestein's house, a low growl came from Frank's boudoir as he urged us to "shut up" because we were disturbing his morning beauty nap. The sun was just beginning to glow as we stepped into the canoes, which by the way, were already heavily laden with our eats. Pratt built the fire in true Indian fashion; a crew was dispatched for the water; and soon the coffee was boiling merrily. We will leave to your imaginations the eating process. Grapefruit with thick sugar syrup is a rather unusual appendage to out of door feeds; try it, and you'll send in an application to the Fruit Growers' Association. Our coffee pot suddenly lost its dignity and leaked like a beautiful garden hose.

Then the chief cook of the crew decided to climb a tree which had beaming tendencies toward the water—a vain sort of tree you know, and soon mirrored in the calm surface of the Pine you could see the young lady making one wild climb to the top, with the assistant chef in mad pursuit. She won; he had to content himself with sitting on the lower branches, though he did it beautifully, in that he sang lovely Italian serenades; Spanish love an-thems, etc. The "morning setting up exercises" lead by Captain Pratt were very beneficial. The snap that was taken goes into the National Physical Education Bulletin, next edition. After we ushered the Freshmen to the opposite shore, we took a morning canoe trip; and after catching various turtles and singing some jolly good songs, we heeded the stern voice of duty and hit the home trail, resolving, however, to have many more spreads of the same kind and spirit.

At the present time President Crooks is already booked to deliver commencement addresses at the following Michigan cities: Williamsburg, Pellston, Owosso, Flint, Bangor, Frankfort, Port Huron, Cheyboygan and Holland.

Students at Albion College have put a boycott on the sale of ice cream. They say that the dealers are charging too high a price for it.

CHAPEL EXERCISES

On Wednesday of last week Professor Hamilton gave us a very interesting and helpful talk on the faith of our forefathers.

In his talk he brought before us the possibility that we were losing the faith of our ancestors. He told us that we all needed more of that simple faith, real Christianity, that our forefathers possessed.

On the following day Dr. Randels revealed to us what a pessimist he was in mind. We wonder from what he told us Thursday how he can possibly be so optimistic in his heart.

He read to us from the book of Amos and then told us how people had revolted time and time again from being treated as "things." We must stop using men in every way shape and manner for advancing our own personal gains. We must refrain from directing our ingenuity along lines which will subordinate men, and use it in such a manner as to raise the level of mankind. "We must treat men as men and not as things."

In order to accomplish this we must make Christianity have a great influence upon our social and economic life of today.

In closing he made an appeal for young men to come to the help of co-operative societies, which he believed were going to do a great deal toward bringing about a new and much better social and economic situation.

CABINET SPREAD

Wednesday night the Y. W. C. A. Cabinet had a fizzle in the college jungle. It was given in honor of Miss Ball, the Central Field secretary of the Y. W. C. A. After the eats had been disposed of she talked to the girls for a short time on the big purpose of the "Y" organization.

Bailey (in Eugenics)—"This fellow had two sisters and they both had brown eyes." Close, very close observance.

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PROFESSORS MEET

State Physics Instructors to Hold Conference at M. A. C.

A meeting of the profesors of the colleges of the State of Michigan is to be held at the Michigan Agricultural College next Saturday, May 15. Twice each year the Physics professors come together to discuss the best methods of carrying on the work of Physical Sciences in the colleges. There are many advantages in having such professional meetings. They are not only a gerat benefit to the Physics departments of each institution but these meetings bring the collegeh of the state closer together and thereby form closer academic relationships. At the previous meeting, last fall, Alma College was represented on the program, and again this spring, Dr. Cornelius is to speak, this time on "The Modification and Improvement of Apparatus, and Procedure of Laboratory Mechanics."

His work here makes him well able to speak upon this subject because by original methods he has constantly been improving the efficiency of the department. He has had to meet many problems, and he has met them well. It would be mere repetition to speak of the apparatus and the many convenient improvements made by different students under his careful and economical supervision. The department had long needed a convenient step ladder. Not long ago one of the students gave the department several hours of his time by going to the shop and making up a very good one. This is but one of the improvements. There is always something being made or perfected.

But what appears to be the secret of all of his accomplishments? Is it his efficiency and training? No not entirely, there is something beyond all that. It is his gifted ability to make Physical Science in Alma College so interesting, as well as so beneficial that there appears an inspiration and a distinct enthusiasm in the student to give his spare time not only for his own benefit but in order to bring about the greatest efficiency and the best possible working conditions in the department.

And the fact that Dr. Cornelius has at the past two meetings been placed upon the program is a distinct recognition of his ability. Furthermore it is with no little gratification that we look upon the fact that Alma College is thus recognized by having its representative speak at this meeting. We are glad that others know what we know. In Physical Science Alma College stands for something.

ALPHA THETA

At five-thirty last Monday evening the Alpha Theta members and their guests Dean Roberts, Mrs. Crooks and Miss Ritter, went to the jungle for supper. The regular menu of hot dogs, buns and coffee etc. was enjoyed by everyone. After quite an effort on the part of the president, the society was called to order for the program of the evening. Margaret Moore told the story of "The Fire Spirit" which was very appropriate for the occasion. A paper on "Boy Scouts and Camp Fire Girls" was given by Lois Pettibone. An impromptu debate, Resolved that women should wear overalls to reduce the high cost of clothing, caused a great deal of laughter. The affirmative speakers were Dean Roberts, Persis Robinson and Edith Hughes; the negative Mrs. Crooks, Esther Friedrichs and Lucille La Vanseler. The judges could not come to any decision as to the winning side. After singing the Alpha Theta song and giving the yell, the meeting adjourned to Wright Hall.

DR. STEVENS SPEAKS

Tuesday morning Dr. Stevens of California spoke in chapel to the students about the Japanese question. Dr. Stevens has lived in California for four years and has come into personal touch with the Japanese. He has studied their customs and ideals and is well qualified to discuss them. He does not think that the Japanese question is as serious as the Mexican, although he admits that it is a problem. He does not think that there is much danger of a war between Japan and the United States. Although there is a Japanese military party, still the peace party is much stronger. Dr. Stevens believes that the United States should follow an unselfish course in dealing with the Japanese as well as with all the Oriental people. He made an especial appeal to take a stand for fair dealing with all our foreign friends.

THE CAMPUS

The Sophomore class held a meeting last Wednesday with President Tomion in the chair. Tentative plans for a party were discussed. A committee was also appointed, consisting of treasurers Knowles and Swift and secretary Bailey to assess the members for money to defray the cost of a party and also to provide the Ma- roon and Cream with the money for the class cut for the annual.

The freshman class held a meeting last Thursday at which it was decided to issue a challenge to the sophomore class to a tug of war. Due to the fact that the lurid posters which they painfully put up were nowhere in evidence when the morning of the next day, Friday, dawned, the project was given up. The staff for the freshman edition of the Almanian was also elected at this meeting. It is announced that the Frosh will have a river spread on Wednesday, May 12.

After many postponements it is announced that the Kg. girls of the college will entertain the students of the same department at Mt. Pleasant Normal School here on May 18. The affair will be under the direction of Miss Conyne and Miss Morrison. It will be remembered that our Kg. girls paid a similar visit to the Kindergarten girls of Mt. Pleasant last fall, this affair of May 18 being in the nature of a return visit.

Dean Roberts and Miss Grace Roberts of Wright Hall gave a tea in honor of Miss Hazel Crosby on Wednesday afternoon. Miss Crosby recently announced her engagement to Paul Field, physical director at Albion College.

The Swipes carolled forth a new hymn Thursday evening. "Some folks say that a Frosh won't steal," were the words which were set to that good old tune. Glances of dismay were exchanged at a certain table.

While acting as ferryman for the best spread that ever went over the Pine, Walker pulled some funny stunts and gracefully explored the mud. MacDonald was so elated that he kicked a hole in his hat. Miss Ward decided that Walker should not be in shape for any more paddling and then and there started for Wright Hall by way of the cemetery. Bill Richards conceived the brilliant plan of standing up in front and by using his open mouth and extending his ears as sails, the craft was wafted gently across.

Mr. and Mrs. Thompson visited their daughter Eunice on Friday.

The Freshies need instruction in bill posting. We are glad that Miss Pollock did not see their posters or she would have wept at such gross misrepresentations of the English language. Also they used flour paste and as a result, every one is still wondering what the posters said. The Sophs may get the material from the printer if they desire to answer it. How do you spell "scavengers?"

Prof. Notestein (to Dunning caught again)—"Put on the soft pedal or brakes."

Sartor (in analytics)—"I thought that Dr. Ewing was the only professor who taught Greek."

Prof. Brokenshire—"Civilization is a curse in some respects. When you have to pay twenty-five cents a pound for sugar, what is the use of living."

Even old Kant is getting up to date. Not long ago he was seen wearing a laest style cap on the side of his head and casting his piercing eye over the busy students."

Long neck MacDonald, the rangy man of the track squad should do some good work in the track at least according to Coldwater Bill. Bill says that Mac will beat them out by a neck.

Miss Eva Ardis, called home by the serious illness of her father, was back for a short time Monday.

Florence Thompson, former kindergarten girl of Alma, was here over the week end visiting Florence Purdy.

Miss Edith Doty spent the week end in Ashley.

Miss Mary Gates spent the week end at her home in Lapeer.

CAUSES MUCH TALK

Great Controversy over the Annual Frosh-Soph Tug of War.

The campus has been the scene of some excitement and not a little argumentation as the result of an attempt by the verdants to post a challenge to a tug of war, to the Sophs on Friday, last. In some way, however, their plans miscarried and when morning dawned no Frosh posters were to be seen. It so happened that the terms that the freshmen laid down in their challenge were such as to displease the second year men and accordingly they determined to ignore the whole challenge.

After chapel Monday morning a little melee occurred in the hall of the Ad building following an attempt by the sophomores to distribute a challenge of their own by personal rather than by the water-glass route. The frosh found that the posters were being put out during chapel time and accordingly made a bolt at the conclusion of Prexy's talk. The sophomores followed with somewhat more precipitancy and a momentary, incipient riot followed, to be quickly stopped by the upper-classmen.

At present the whole matter seems to be hanging fire. The sophomores claim that because no one saw the frosh challenges, because the conditions said to have been laid down in the challenge were "in toto" displeasing to them, and finally, because the freshmen publicly announced in chapel Monday that the tug of war was called off (although the time for the sophomores to accept or reject the challenge had not yet expired) the matter is in their hands and that the posters issued by them Monday after chapel stand as a challenge. It is possible that the matter will go to the student council for settlement, or the two classes may get together and settle the matter themselves.

CHERRY BLOSSOM PRESENTED

Miss Cherryblossom, a three act musical comedy was given Friday night in the High School auditorium under the auspices of the Young Peoples class of the Presbyterian church. The play was well attended by college folk and was especially interesting because two of our alumni, Chet Robinson and Don Smith, and Gordon MacDonald, a sophomore, took part in it.

The story tells of Miss Evelyn Barnes, an American girl, born in Japan, whose parents died of fever, brought up as a Japanese maiden. Her father's secretary, Horace Worthington, uses her property for his own ends. When Evelyn, who is known as Cherryblossom, is about eighteen, Worthington returns to Japan on his yacht with a party of American friends. One of them, John Henry Smith, falls in love with Cherry and wishes to marry her, but Kokemo, who has brought her up as his daughter, wants her to marry Togo, a rich politician. The action of the piece centers around Jack's effort to outwit Togo and Kokemo. Eventually Cherry comes into her own property, marries Jack, and all ends happily.

The characters took their parts so well that it is difficult to pick out the distinguishing features. The three outstanding characters were portrayed by three college students; Chester Robinson, Donald Smith and Gordon MacDonald. "Chet" took the part of Kokemo so well that we actually believe he could go to Japan and make the shrewd Japanese part with their money. All that we hope is that he does not try his schemes on his friends. Donald Smith was delightful in the role of the persistent lover and a some one said, no one could have taken the part of Togo as well as "Mac" did.

The music by the orchestra was so delightful, that, all in all we almost felt that we were sitting in the Shubert-Garrick, Detroit, listening to one of their musical comedies.

FROEBEL

The regular meeting of Froebel was held Monday evening. Roll call was responded to by an important fact concerning the life of Rudyard Kipling. A short business meeting followed. Geneva Curren read a story "Lispeth" by Kipling and Beatrice Harrington read one of his stories for children, "The Cat Who Walked by Himself." Two selected poems by Kipling were read by Dorothy Beckwith.

Miss Marion Buckle of North-branch spent the week end with Miss Elizabeth Anderson.

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Two Women Fill Vacant Places on Board of Trustees.

Friends of Alma College will be pleased to learn of the addition of two trustees to the governing board of Alma College. Mrs. Oren Scotlen is one of those elected to the board. Mrs. Scotlen is a resident of Detroit and a member of the Fort St. Presbyterian church. She is very prominent in church work throughout the city and state. The other new member of the board is a person known to many of the students personally, especially the girls. Mrs. William A. Bahlke, wife of Atty. Bahlke, of the city of Alma, is the second new trustee. Mrs. Bahlke has been chairman of the Womens' Advisory Board of Wright Hall and has long been a very good friend to the college. Heretofore the only woman on the board of trustees has been Mrs. J. Henry Lancashire, daughter of our benefactor, Ammi W. Wright. Thus the number is now increased to three.

Y. W. C. A.

The Y. M. C. A. meeting Thursday night was lead by Floyd Krueger, and was given over to the discussion of the Geneva Students conference.

After several hymns and a short season of sentence prayers, the quartette rendered a sacred selection in a very pleasing manner. Then Krueger, speaking from his experiences at the Geneva Conference in previous years told of some of the features of the trip and the convention meetings. The interest of the trip itself aside from the conference, he said, was worth the whole expense. Lake Geneva with its seldom equaled sight, while boat trips around the lake give an opportunity for all to enjoy. But the most important feature of the conference, as Krueger explained, is the contact with all phases of Christian life work, and the inspiration received from the daily meetings. After Mr. Krueger's talk Bill Amos explained more fully the requirements and expenses of the convention this year. The possibilities of a delegation from Alma was considered, and pledges were made, to aid these delegates financially. The meeting ended with a hymn and the Mizpah benediction.

PHI PHI ALPHA

The Phi Phi Alpha Literary Society was benefited by a very good program at its meeting on May 3. Mr. Millard gave a paper on "Music in the Education of the Common Man." Mr. Barnhart read an excellent paper on "Political Reconstruction." He outlined very vividly the great problems that are confronting our nation at the present time. Mr. Notestein read Jack London's interesting story "War." Mr. Dasef gave the society some valuable information in his paper on "Things to Be Considered in Writing an Oration." The impromptu "What Advertising Means to the Life of Business" was very capably discussed by Mr. Beshgetoor. Mr. Williams gave an interesting impromptu on "A Review of the Baseball Trip." Mr. Hendershot responded to an impromptu on "The Possibilities of a Man Earning His Way Through College."

PRAYER MEETING

"Overcoming Temptation" was the topic discussed at the weekly prayer meeting held in the chapel last Wednesday evening. "Bill" Amos led the discussion and it is needless to say that all who heard him speak profited by the facts which he brought out. He showed by skillful interpretation of the Scriptures that it is necessary for us to lean on God's Word if we would be happy and contented, for, said he, "There is no peace for the wicked." The temptation to neglect our religious duties and "privileges" seems to be greater now than at any other season of the year because of the weather and the desire to engage in other activities. The spell of spring is strong but when we realize that all the beautiful things for which we neglect the worship of God are given to us by Him, the ungratefulness of our character startles us. Cut off a half hour from the week's calendar of amusements and attend the prayer meetings. You will profit by the sacrifice, if sacrifice it is.

No more "stiffs" for medical colleges because prohibition has so decreased pauperism is an assertion credited by the press dispatches to Dr. William Kirler, Professor of Anatomy at the University of Texas.

GLEE CLUB CONCERT

Girls' Glee Club To Present Program Tonight. Come and Hear Them.

The Women's Glee Club will give their annual concert this evening. The girls have worked hard on this program and are sorry that the limited time prohibits their taking at least a short trip as had been planned at the beginning of the season. The program that they will present at home however, will be varied and pleasing, consisting of quartets, sextettes, and costume effects, besides the regular club numbers.

The personnel of the club is as follows:

Sopranos—Louise Buck, Vernie Green, Charlotte Hawes, Fromilda Young, Elizabeth Buckley, Esther DePuy, Beatrice Harrington, Gladys Paul.

Contraltos—Margaret Ardis, Margaret Moore, Blanche Mashin, Norma Swift, Mabel Field, Daisy Slater, Esther Friederich, Melite Guichard.

COLLEGE WINS

AND LOSES ONE

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was a test of slugging ability, rather than a test of the ability of the hurlers, the score being 13 to 7 for the Maroon and Cream.

The Teachers took a lead right at the start of the game, grabbing one run in the first round and another in the second, but in the third frame Alma, after having annexed a run in the opening inning, grabbed off six counters, and from then on the result was never in doubt. Mt. Pleasant added a run in the fourth and another in the fifth. In the last half of the fifth Alma landed on Ublee hard, and counted three more runs. These were offset by three that Mt. Pleasant took in the seventh, but in Alma's half of the inning, the three runs were made to count for naught, the Almaties also counting three times.

From the standpoint of pitching the game was a poor exhibition. The Teachers hit Captain Boyne fairly hard, taking four hits in the three innings that he worked. Crittenden, who hurled four innings, had even less stuff on the ball than Boyne, being taken for ten hits. Scott went the last two rounds and was nicked for two hits. Ublee, who worked five innings was taken for ten hits and Egloff, who succeeded him was pounded for three hits in three innings.

Alma was outhit by the Normals, but showed a far better ability to bunch the bingles when they were needed, which easily explains the thirteen runs that Alma counted.

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STAG HOLDS SPREAD

Becoming inoculated with the fever the regular Sunday night bachelors at Wright Hall resolved upon a spread of their own and so on last Sunday evening conveyed to their places at the tables a quantity of ice cream, with which they intended to hold high revel. Their plans miscarried somewhat when the Lunch Committee ran out of the stock variety of eats, as they had not figured on having enough ice cream on which to make a meal. Little daunted, however they first consumed the impromptu sandwiches furnished them and then set to work on the main attraction. It is needless to say that they were the whole show there, that all eyes were fastened on them, especially when Boden dropped a plate; and moreover that every other man in the dining room was green with envy, the frosh becoming "double green," and resolved to become a stag himself as soon as possible. There is not the slightest doubt but that, should the stags continue to provide such food for themselves, their number would soon include all the young men in college. In fact it is rumored that the girls, especially the "married" ones have gone to Dean Roberts to urge her to stop the nefarious practice as they are fearful for their positions. To them the "Stag" send a message of comfort, "Fear not, Timid Ones, we would not have your fellows in our gang."

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