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John Elder, Student Volunteer Representative, Visits Alma.

Once or twice every year the Student Volunteer movement sends a secretary to Alma College to speak about the call to foreign missions, and to enlighten the students as to

the seas. John Elder, former Y. M. leve. C. A. man in Armenia, gave a talk periences during the world war, with that he may visit us again. the Turks and Armenians, emphasizing the power of prayer in such work. Someone has said that the College Clashes Saturday With ordinary Volunteer Secretary is too young and has no direct appeal because of lack of experience, but there was something more than mere emotionalism prompting his

SATURDAY

Hillsdale vs. Alma, Davis Field

Phi Phi Alpha Stag Banquet

Zeta Sigma Annual Banquet

the opportunities, qualifications, and attend these morning meetings feel the great usefulness of the people that it is a time well spent for it the great usefulness of the people that it is a time well spent for it **UEBALE** who wish to spend a part of their gives a start to the day, and enables life in the service of the Master. one to be better able to face the Last Wednesday we were ex- trials and unplaisant situations tremely fortunate in having as our which occur during the day in adguest a young man who has had a dition to assisting him to interpret real experience in the lands across the Bible in the light of Christ's

Many hearts are lighter because in chapel regarding the call to for- of John Elder's presence on the eign missions, and told of his ex- campus, and it is sincerely hoped

HILLSDALE NEXT

Another Strong M. I. A. A. Team.

gan Intercollegiate aggregation, by Sharrar and Wyatt, while everyone who heard must recognize which played Albion to a standstill Barnhart and Vreeland presented the the sincerity and realness of his Saturday, a scoreless tie being the Democratic position. The discussion speech. He spoke from his heart, result, will meet Coach Steele's co- was in the nature of an informal deand convinced all serious minded horts on Davis field this coming bate, with no definite statement of students who listened to him that Saturday at 2:30, and there promises the question, and no decision other to be a royal battle.

favorite for the honors, having held ence might form.

Republican and Democratic Representatives Discuss Issue.

The issue of the League of Nations from the standpoint of the Republican and Democratic parties was ably discussed Monday morning during the chapel period. The Re-Hillsdale College's strong Michi- publican viewpoint was espoused Hillsdale, naturally will be a big than the convictions which the audi-

Mr. Sharrar, the final speaker in the debate, drew a graphic contrast grid this season. between the present league and the

each had been inspired by the same cates as an error of judgment gave conditions and ideals, and that both the visiting eleven its first touchfollowed the same course, tending to down, and a fumbled onside kick, final and absolute failure, because which Hale let slide through him their foundation was not idealism. paved the way for the second coun-He defended strongly the Republican attitude on the league, and showed the pep and fight that has marked how the people of the United States the aggregation of former years, by their votes, were supporting the and the hopes of the fans ran high, stand which the party had taken. clash of opinion, and brought to eleven had really found itself for light many new and interesting phases of the league proposition. Undoubtedly this discussion will not

only clarify many of the issues in the mind of the student body, but will furnish food for further thought, as well.

QUARTET AT STRAND

A large number of college stuspeech. He could have told a great Albion scoreless, after the Albion- The debate was opened by the dents were present Thursday evendeal more than he did, had he been ites had walloped Alma badly, but Democratic party in the person of ing when the Criterion Quartet gave through the Ypsi line. Walker given time, and it is really unfort- that does not mean that the Blue Mr. Barnhart. He outlined in a vivid the first number on the Lyceum Kailed in the attempt at goal, the



No. 6

Ypsi Normal Wins Close Game From Maroon and Cream.

Although Ypsilanti's undefeated aggregation took Saturday's M. I. A. A. game from Coach Steele's green eleven by a score of 13 to 6, the Maroon and Cream must be given credit for showing the best form that has been shown on the

The game was not even as much old Holy Alliance, and showed how in favor of Ypsi as the score inditer.

and apparently with the best of rea-The debate proved to be a good son, as it seemed that the green the first time this season, such as the superority that it displayed over the visitors at the start.

Ypsi won the toss and received at the west goal, having a strong wind to her back, which would retard the Alma kicking. Following the kickoff Alma held the visitors and forced them to punt, the Almaites getting the ball in midfield. A steady march was started, with Zastro, Walker and Arbaugh going the last few yards on a smash unate that Alma College cannot af- and White will walk off with the manner the conditions of the world Course at the Strand Theatre. It ball going wide by about two feet.

pressed great surprise, for few against it. realized that conditions are such as The backfield is certain to be present their views in a concrete gram. they are, and very few know that stronger than it was against Ypsi, form, and inconsistent, because the abroad.

which he told them the details of foot. creased interest in the Morning A. football circles. Watch, and the new spirit which has animated, the prayer services did not speak for nothing.

members of his executive, advertis- py married life. ing, and distribution committee were laborers with very few advantages over other men.

than a myth; that he was a personal consisted of comments upon the how the League at the present time form a majority. Carried. friend to whom one could turn in works of John Synge by Gladys Ed- was now in full operation, settling times of joy or distress and find gar, a criticism on the works of disputes, and giving full satisfaction sympathy, comfort, and assistance. Francis Ledgwidge by Vera Hudson to all concerned, and we must either Our visitor was very much im- and a reading of some Irish poetry join it as it is, or stay out. As for pressed with the size of the Watch by Mildred Chevrie and Jeanette the much bandied Article Ten, he group, and remarked that he had Curtis. Critic's report and adjourn- proved conclusively that nothing seen few as large. The men who ment.

which, he said, "are really very the Baptists to a standstill, proving son's work at Versailles. close to us." If we are to judge the to the fans that the green eleven is effect which he produced by the in- fast coming to its own in M. I. A.

MILLER-PERRIGO

since he left, we may say that he Perrigo and Miss Jeannie Miller commended the league, he commendwere greatly surprised to learn of the ed the idealism of the fourteen In the evening Mr. Elder spoke in marriage of this popular couple. points which President Wilson took the reception room of Wright Hall The wedding took place Wednesday, to Europe with him. But, as he on the unique subject, "Christ." He October 27, at St. Louis. Rev. Mas- showed, the fourteen points were all analyzed Christ's character from ters of the St. Louis Baptist church cast aside. Each nation took what his boyhood days up to his death, performed the impressive ring cere- it could get; England, the freedom and showed that the Master was no mony. Mr. William Amos acted as of the seas; France, the Saar valley, namby-pamby sissified creature, but best man. No inkling of the event Alsace Lorraine and an enormous a virile, likable, courageous, and came to the student friends of the indemnity; Italy, the Fiume district; human being, whom anyone could bride and groom until the announce- and the most monstrous crime of all, follow profitably. He compared ment was made to a group of the which was sanctioned by the Presi-Jesus with the captain of a com- students Monday evening. These dent, Japan took the Shantung terpany, and showed examples from young people are both very popular ritory. The League, as Mr. Wyatt the Bible that he was a real leader on the campus, and are active partic- clearly demonstrated, was founded, and one who could say "follow me," ipants in college and society life. The not on idealism, but on the spirit of and have men go after him. That Almanian takes this opportunity, on "grab and get" which pervades the Christ is not for rich people alone, behalf of the student body, of con- nations of the world to-day. and that he loves us all, Elder gratulating Mr. and Mrs. Perrigo, showed by relating that all of the and extending best wishes for a hap-

FROEBEL

that men from all vocation might The Ypsi game of Saturday, which peace and amity for which the was the unanimous opinion of all Score: Alma 6, Ypsi 0. tell Alma people the advantages of saw a revamped Alma eleven, de-

views with the men and women in Ypsi fray with a badly battered ablest minds in the Republican party,

vine Grace, serve Jesus Christ in Hillsdale fray, but there is a grim of the president, had, through a Rethe open fields of far away lands determination in the camp, to fight publican Senate, controverted Wil- and the singing of several old favor- Albion got a week ago on punts, let

Mr. Wyatt, the first Republican speaker, graphically depicted the absolute lack of idealism which pervades the nations of the world at Alma College friends of Mr. Clair this time. As an idealistic plan, he

> Mr. Vreeland, second Democratic speaker, persented the contest over

service in their particular branch of monstrated that Steele has now the chaos of wars and rumors of four singers that Alma has seldom touchdown, and while they were outservice in their particular branch of work. When Elder finished there were some few students who exwere some few students who exindefinite because they refused to dered a well selected two part pro-

The first number given by the ed into Alma territory. there is a place for them in the field as Handley, Alma's crack star, will party claimed the League to be a quartet was Taylor's Viking Song, Almost immediately after the secin all probablity again be in the line- one man affair when some of the and the next a solo by Mr. Young, ond quarter started, Ypsi was held "Beloved, It is Morn." Two more about twenty yards from the Alma among them Taft and Root, had had numbers, bf a more dreamy type goal, and failing to make the yard-The members of the Maroon and a part in its formation; inconsist- were presented in "Dreaming Alone age on the first three downs rethe service, and tried to show them The members of the Maroon and a part in the party, with its in the Twilight" and "Old Uncle Cream squad are not making any ent, too, because, the party, with its in the Twilight" and "Old Uncle bounded across the Alma goal. The how they might, in the light of Di-predictions as to the outcome of the theory of the treaty making power Moon." Two solos by Mr. Reardon, Maroon and Cream warriors remem-"Sylvia" and "Robin Goodfellow," bering the fluke touchdowns that ite songs completed the first half of the ball goal, although several men the program.

> is Lord of Earth," by the quartet, a would put the ball on the Alma piano solo by the accompanist, a trio of humorous selections the "Vulcan Ypsi wanted. Westcott, Ypsi full, of humorous selections, the "Vulcan tore across the Alma goal, fell on Song" by Gounod, rendered by Mr. the pigskin, and Referee Crisp nat-Chalmers, and a southern lullaby as urally ruled a touchdown for the the closing number.

in all that they did. Both the indi- not be improved upon. vidual numbers, and those given by Ypsi 6. the quartette as a whole were well numerous encores were required.

and well worth patronage.

STUDENT COUNCIL

the league as a contest of ideals. As cil was held Monday, Oct. 25, 1920. he pointed out, our course lay be- A motion was made and seconded yardage for a touchdown. Foy A regular meeting of the Froebel tween the combining with the forty- that in cases of extreme emergency kicked the goal. Score Ypsi 13, Al-The three floors of Pioneer Hall Society was held Monday, October four sovereign nations now in the when not enough members of the ma 6. combined in the Thursday morning 25, 1920. Roll call was responded to league, or a position with Turkey, Student Council can be gotten to-It was a meeting which will not The business of the Society was dis- Our position must be either that of tion may be circulated, when the soon be forgotten. Every man cussed and further plans for the world outlook, or a narrow, sectional president sees fit, and that enough present felt that Christ was more dance were made. The program viewpoint. Moreover, he showed members must sign said petition to

Report of committee for pamphlets.

"A co-ed is known by the dates McNaughton played

good style.

Just before the quarter ended Ypsi took the ball on a punt and start-

had every opportunity to down it be-The second half included, "Spring hind the goal for a touchback, which visitors. They missed the attempt The singers showed remarkable at goal, and the score was tied. Alvocal ability coupled with thorough ma outplayed the visitors during training, combining to give an en- the balance of the half, and had one joyable and harmonious performance brilliant scoring chance, but it could

Score end of first half: Alma 6,

In the third quarter the visitors appreciated by the audience and put over the winning count. Alma had been on the offensive for some As an index of the Lyceum Course little time, but held, punted. Ypsi this initial performance shows that was held, after two or three first the association is this year present- downs, and Quarterback Houser ing to the people a class of enter- again attempted an onside kick. Hale tainment which is above the average, and well worth patronage yard line. Four smashes made it a first down. For three downs Al-A special meeting of the Student then Holmes found a hole in the line ma held Ypsi with slight gains, but and tore through for the needed

Following the next kickoff Alma watch period which Mr. Elder led. by a quotation from an Irish poet. Russia, and the Central Powers. gether to form a quorum, that a peti- made attempt, after attempt to put and while some good opportunities presented themselves, the punch to shove over the ball was lacking.

> The line, revamped since the sad, sad Albion affair, looked fine. It played a brilliant game, and with another week's practice should look much like the famous Alma lines of former years. Brewer. Waggoner, wonderful (Continued on page four)

Gladys Edgar, Sec'y.

she keeps."-Selected Proverb.

Adjournment.

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OPTIMISM OR PESSIMISM

lost by a close score, but we are not one else was trying to pull you. discouraged. Dame Fortune surely Kemp has applied for a patent on smiled on the Normal w.js. and his system of ensnaring his victims. they have no reason to believe that He picks 'em up body and soul and they are a superior team to Alma. dumps 'em into the circle. Ask Or-Our boys are playing harder, better ville Hastings, he knows. football every game, which is a fact Off toward the hitchen somebody well worth being proud of. Exper- started to bite at socies suspended ience is the greatest of teachers, and on strings, and before long the most with this team intact next fall, the daring and most successful of the M. I. A. A. championship is almost crowd were sporting huge bites of a surety. Turn every knock into a apples and dripping faces or strained boost and you will be proud of the necks. Those of capacious jaws result. Be an optomist instead of a were found to have a decided advantpessimist and make life agreeable to age over the others. yourself as well as to others. When two of the boys engaged in "United we stand, divided we fall." a string eating contest in the far

year lament the lack of spirit and way ahead of his opponent. understanding of traditions which Miss Field offered to show Walcharacterizes the incoming Fresh- lace Kerny the moon through a coat man class. It might not be out of sleeve, but it rained down the sleeve, place, however, to occasionally so nobcdy knows what he saw. change the procedure and congratu- In the meantime somebody passed late them on the good qualities they pieces of black cardboard cats, bats, show.

Freshman class will hold the same Comparative Anatomy class reversed love for its college as characterizes the usual dissection process and asthe feelings of the older students, sembled most of a cat, although the for they have not been in contact minister couldn't make head or tail with the institution long enough to of his. absorb in a full extent the spirit Dr. Wilson, a notorious quack, which pervades it. At the same time consumed some time with a practical they can and are expected to show demonstration of how to grow fat

HALLOWEEN PARTY

Soon after the magic hour of two-Weekly Almanian hundred-and-seventy minutes to twelve, the corn leaves on the shocks in the basement of the Presbyterian church began to rustle. No, it wasn't spooks, it was just folks bumping up against them in their-the folkses-perambulations over the floor.

Those who had "stagged it" were J. Thomas Dasef asked to get closer together-- the couples were asked, too, but the re-Homer M. Dunham and a lively chase after an agile Campus Editor ... Lawrence B. Marks handkerchief ensued. Betty believes Bus. Mgr.____Willard D. Beshgetoor that she could become a professional Asst. Bus. Mgr. Clarence Hendershot at the game if she had a few more Marion Reid years to practice it.

Another exciting one was an attempt to keep out of the fateful Another gridiron battle has been circle-on-the-floor into which every-

Coach Steele. corner of the room the "bobbers" left the apples and gazed interested-CREDIT: FOR VALUE RECEIVED ly and admiring at Russel Wilson as It is a customary practice to each he pulled in-the string, you know-

and witches for the crowd to put It can hardly be expected that a together. A 'ai hful remnant of the

a measure of loyalty and devotion to and how to grow thin. The medicine Alma. In this respect the class of that he applied was remarkably

How Large is an Atom?

TOMS are so infinitesimal that to be seen under the most powerful microscope one hundred million must be grouped. The atom used to be the smallest indivisible unit of matter. When the X-Rays and radium were discovered physicists found that they were dealing with smaller things than atoms-with particles they call "electrons."

Atoms are built up of electrons, just as the solar system is built up of sun and planets. Magnify the hydrogen atom, says Sir Oliver Lodge, to the size of a cathedral, and an electron, in comparison, will be no bigger than a bird-shot.

Not much substantial progress can be made in chemical and electrical industries unless the action of electrons is studied. For that reason the chemists and physicists in the Research Laboratories of the General Electric Company are as much concerned with the very constitution of matter as they are with the development of new inventions. They use the X-Ray tube as if it were a machine-gun; for by its means electrons are shot at targets in new ways so as to reveal more about the structure of matter.

As the result of such experiments, the X-Ray tube has been greatly improved and the vacuum tube, now so indispensable in radio communication, has been developed into a kind of trigger device for guiding electrons by radio waves.

Years may thus be spent in what seems to be merely a purely "theoretical" investigation. Yet nothing is so practical as a good theory. The whole structure of modern mechanical engineering is reared on Newton's laws of gravitation and motion-theories stated in the form of immutable propositions.

In the past the theories that resulted from purely scientific research usually came from the university laboratories, whereupon the industries applied them. The Research Laboratories of the General Electric Company conceive it as part of their task to explore the unknown in the same spirit, even though there may be no immediate commercial goal in view. Sooner or later the world profits by such research in pure science. Wireless communication, for example, was accomplished largely as the result of Herz's brilliant series of purely scientific experiments demonstrating the existence of wireless waves.



'24 can be congratulated. The way rapid in its effectiveness in which this year's yearling class Then the ever original eats comhas become an integral part of the mittee hit upon the idea and put in-Alma student body is commendable. to practice the theory that fingers The pep and vigor which they have were made before forks, an innova. shown in preparation for football tion which will undoubtedly be pergames, and in rooting at the games petuated. is also a thing of which they may When all were seated enjoying The Phi Phi Alpha meeting of be proud.

you show.

The teacher shortage remains a a mass meeting. menace to the public schools accordlic recently by the National Educa- ing stunts in full view of the ladies, Freeman as his assistant. tion have come from all sections of good judgement, etc., by the Hon- ciety. the United States. These reports orable J. Thomas Dasef. show that in places where teachers' and in localities where salaries have mortem. been increased fifty per cent or less the teacher shortage is commonly greater than a year ago. Rural communities are hardest hit. Signed re- lican Club, the officers for the com- next paper was on "The Life of Gaports from superintendents of coun- ing campaign were elected. Selected briel D'Annuzio," and furnished a ties indicate that a third of their rur- to pilot the G. O. P. organization great deal of interesting information al schools cannot open for want of were the following: teachers. Tens of thousands of schools will be in charge of teachers who have had no professional preparation and whose academic train- H. Wilson. ing barely exceeds the children they teach.

which imperils the stability of Amer- count of the activities which the club fitly expressed their appreciation of ican rural life, will be sought from is planning is not at hand, but it is the honor so recently bestowed upon the next session or Congress. Re- understood that, in addition to the them. newed efforts will be made to ob- League of Nations debate held Montain the passage of the Smith-Town- day, the Republican principles will be A Peach came walking down the er Bill, which creates a department presented to the people as oportunof education with a secretary in the ity offers. Strong support for Hard- She was more than passing fair. President's cabinet and provides fed- ing and Coolidge is manifested A smile, a nod, a half closed eye, eral aid of \$100,000,000 for education. throughout the college, is the report And the Peach became a Pair.

Bill?

Bill Hicks-I'm feeling rotten, I think I've had the flu.

to have. Sometimes it leaves people and ordnary alcohol? imbeciles.

Bill-How do you know? Shoemaker-I've had it.

REPUBLICANS ELECT

At a recent meeting of the Repub- United States is given to it. The

President-Lee M. Sharrar. Vice president-Robert Wyatt.

made of the appointment of commit- The society adjourned to De Luxe Relief from this serious situation, tees, and at this writing a full ac- where the Janitor and his assistant

of the club president, and it is evi-Shoemaker-What's the matter, dent that the organization will be stronger than ever this year.

Professor West-How can one tell Shoemaker-That's an awful thing the difference between wood alcohol

> Krupp-Drink them, sir! The old pep will jolt Hillsdale.

PHI PHI ALPHA coffee and pie, someone transformed October 25 opened with President Be not puffed up by commenda- the room into a ghostly spirit land, Barnhart in the chair. After a short tion, lowly Frosh, you ... e your lit by cold, yellowish-blue, leaping business discussion, Mr. Pratt rose, faults, and they are numerous; but flames. Moans and groans arose, and in a telling manner presented know that the rest of the college Ghost stories were told and wierd his resignation from the Janitorial notices and credits the spirit which songs were sung. Gradually, fond office of the society. After the resigmelodies and college songs changed nation had been accepted, the societhe atmosphere until it was almost ty turned to the consideration of another man for the office, and after a Jimmy Rose, self appointed fire fiery campaign, Gordon Boyce was ing to preliminary reports made pub- department, executed his most dar- elected to the position with Forrest tion Association. Replies to ques- and was awarded a medal, French Two men, Ainsworth and Ingertionnaires sent out by the Associa- fashion, for his bravery, chivalry, soll, were then initiated into the so-The literary program was made Then, as a closing feature, the col- up of two papers and a reading. salaries have been increased one hun- lege song rang out with a will. Then Claude Eckles delivered the first, on dred per cent or more the situation it was finished, and the bunch de- "Mexico's Future," outlining briefly is nearly always satisfactory. But parted, leaving only the clean up the former status of conditions in such places are comparatively few, committee to perform the post the Latin republic, and sketching a prediction of what may be expect-

ed under the new administration if the help and co-operation of the about this remarkable man in whom the qualities of soldier, poet, orator, leader and statesman are interming-Secretary and treasurer-Russell led. The last number on the program was a reading of "The Bells," Announcement has not yet been Poe, given by Willard Beshgetoor.

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