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Kazoo and Albion Victors in Contests

"Social Dependents," by Miss Helen Ward, Takes First in Women's Oratorical Contest

MISS HOOPINGARNER OF ALBION WINS SECOND; MISS CLAFLIN OF OLIVET THIRD.

Miss Helen Ward, of Kalamazoo, romped off with first honors in the twenty-fifth annual contest of the Michigan Oratorical League, which was held in the Presbyterian church, Friday afternoon, March 3. The subject of the winning oration was "Social Dependents."

Miss Opal Hoopingarnier, of Albion, took second place, while to Miss Marion Claffin, of Olivet, went third place.

Miss Ward well deserved first place, for her oration was of a high order. The problem she set forth in her oration, is a vital one, and should be of interest to everyone. Not only was the material of a superior order, but the composition was well-nigh faultless. Her diction was good, she had no distracting mannerisms, and the gestures used were appropriate and effective.

Social dependency is the tragedy of thousands of homes today. The world is indifferent to poverty, one sees it, but passes by. They are left to their poverty and social negligence, because people are more interested in the sole pursuit of material gains. Thus, equal opportunity has become an empty expression. Although we are economically independent, our social life has become undermined. We can very well estimate the economic loss of families, but not the moral loss. The economist states that social dependency is a necessary evil, but when we realize the loss to us, through social dependency, we will have the real import of social dependents.

Miss Opal Hoopingarnier, was a close second to Miss Ward. "International Faith" was ably delivered by Miss Hoopingarnier. She, too, had all the requirements of the successful orator, poise, diction, good gestures, and most important of all, a real message to bring to her audience.

She sketched the scene on Armistice day of the burial of the Unknown Soldier. Prevalent in the minds of all men, at that time, was the thought that war must cease. The need of the world today is lasting faith. Armaments are not a primary cause of war, for where there is no distrust, there is no armament. One cannot say that the Washington conference has been a failure, for it has set a precedent for frank consultation of the world's problems, the principal one being to lessen distrust. Every advance in civilization has been due to the cooperation of men with their fellows. The conference is a decisive step towards association. Its success depends upon you and I, for we constitute a part of public opinion.

Miss Marion Claffin, who took third place, spoke on "The Need of the Twentieth Century." Miss Claffin had an interesting subject. She spoke with the ease and assurance of a veteran. She drew a picture of "The Thinker," by Rodin, apart from the rest, and simply asking the question why. With the various great problems confronting the world today, men are needed who can think straight. There is the negro problem to be solved, and it should be solved according to the principles of Jesus Christ. Two vivid pictures of America were aptly drawn, the one showing capital and labor in a death grip, with China and Armenia lying forgotten outside. The other portrayed a glorious picture of service and co-operation, such as God would wish it. In the hands of college students lies the future, so in college years one must cultivate clearness of vision, to be able to accept the burden of leadership.

The remaining orations showed in (Continued on page two)

HILLSDALE GETS ANOTHER DEFEAT

ALMA STOPS LAST MINUTE RALLY STAGED BY COACH RENNIE'S MEN.

Coach Campbell's fighting aggression, reduced to a minimum of six men, journeyed to Hillsdale Friday and took the measure of the Blue and White clan by a 22-20 score. The game for the most part wasn't as close as the score would indicate, as the Hillsdale five made a spurt in the last few minutes of play. Alma was lacking her veteran center, Shaver, as well as Soderstrom, the scrappy little forward. On the other hand, Coach Rennie had almost an entirely new team on the floor, and most of the men who played at Alma in the former game against the Maroon and Cream were on the side lines. Reece, Hillsdale's highest scorer, was recently requisitioned from the Jackson McGraws, and the other men were of good caliber.

Alma quickly gained a good lead, and throughout the first half was never in danger. Crittenden played a stellar game at guard as usual, and was ably helped by Beam. Kirker made a beautiful basket from the middle of the floor, the ball never touching the hoop. Johnston was the high scorer for Alma, making in all five counters. The first half ended with the score 12-7 in Alma's favor. The Maroon and Cream continued the lead in the second half, and Wright was substituted for Johnston. With only four minutes left to play, Hillsdale rallied, and Peece, favored with an accurate eye plus plenty of good fortune, tossed in four baskets in rapid succession from the center of the (Continued on page two)

FINAL GAME

The Alma College basketball team will meet the Mt. Pleasant Normals Friday evening in the final basketball game of the year and every effort is being made this week to bolster the aggregation so that it will be in shape to give the Teachers a real battle for the honors of the evening.

It is believed that the Alma Collegians have strengthened considerably since the first game with the Normals on the local floor when the Maroon and Cream was defeated by a small score after a terrific battle in which the greater experience of the Normals told in the second half, after Alma had managed to stay ahead during the first session.

The game is certain to be one of the hardest fought of the entire season as Alma will not take another defeat from the Teachers without the hardest kind of fighting to show that the new Maroon and Cream team is a comer and one that will be feared throughout the state colleges another season. Coach Parker is reported as being somewhat anxious about the approaching game and is putting his charges through the paces this week in great style to have them fit for the struggle.

Coach Campbell will probably take his entire squad to the Normal town Friday evening and will make every endeavor to bring the honors back to Alma, although it must be admitted that the Normals because of their experience and their previous victory over Alma, will be the favorites.

ALUMNUS STAGES "COMEBACK"

F. A. Fraker, Alma basket ball star of years ago, played with the faculty of Saginaw High School Wednesday night, March 1, against the faculty of Arthur Hill High School. Fraker was the bright light of the game, making two baskets in the first few minutes of play. His work was the fastest on the floor.

"The Old Maid's Association" Saturday, March 11—a play by the Y. W. C. A.

Mr. Harry Laity's Oration, "Our Debt of Honor," Wins Men's Contest for Albion

BETA TAU EPCILON

The meeting of February 22, began with the initiation of a new member. A short business meeting followed in which the society decided to take part in the inter-society debates. With this aim in view, the program for the next meeting will consist of a debate between six members of the society. A literary program closed the meeting. While rather brief it was important since it was the first real literary program held since the organization of the society.

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Will Come Here Monday, March 13

Mingling popular music with the classical and rendering both with splendid musicianship, the well-known Di Giorgio Orchestra, will be heard here on the Lyceum Course Monday evening, March 13.

With the orchestra will appear Ella May Minert, contralto, who is a singer of rare attainments. The orchestra is composed of five musicians who are so versatile that a wide range of instrumental combinations is possible. They form a concert orchestra of piano, violin, clarinet, cornet, and trombone or Alphine horn. They can instantly change to a straight quintet of piano, violin, cello, mandolin, and guitar, playing bright sparkling music or the dreamy songs of the tropics.

In addition to the ensemble numbers instrumental solos, duets, and quartets are featured.

Signor T. Giorgio, organizer and director of the orchestra, is an orchestra conductor of wide experience.

PHI PHI ALPHA

A most entertaining debate took place in Phi Phi Alpha's regular meeting, Feb. 27. The debaters consisted of two picked teams from which the inner-society debating team was chosen.

The debated question was "Resolved, that the closed shop is justifiable. For the affirmative, Boyd, Kemp and Shroyer; for the negative, Hendershot, Freeman and Waggoner. The debate took place on the chapel platform. As the debate was not for the purpose of seeing which side had the better team, no official judgment was passed upon the question. Russell Wilson, critic, and Lyle Barnhart, offered very constructive criticisms, weighing each point brought forth by the teams. The persons to be chosen for the inter-society debate were Zinn, chairman, Hendershot and Freeman, with Shroyer as alternate. Adjournment.

The Chinese Students Christian Association in North America has about 1500 members. The student Y. M. C. A. in China has 174 associations and 19,000 members.

Property Given To The College

President H. M. Crooks of Alma College has announced that Dr. and Mrs. C. H. McCarn of Vicksburg have deeded a two-story brick structure on the main business corner of that town to the College, subject to a life annuity.

The amount of the annuity to Dr. and Mrs. C. H. McCarn was not made public by Dr. Crooks, but it is understood that it will depend to a great extent on the amount of rent that is derived from the structure.

HOPE AND KALAMAZOO PLACE SECOND AND THIRD IN THE ANNUAL CONTEST.

The annual contest of the Michigan Oratorical League was held at eight o'clock on Friday evening, March 3, in the Alma Presbyterian Church.

A large crowd was present to hear the exceptionally fine program which was presented. Only seven of the eight scheduled orations were given because Mr. Lynch, the representative from the Michigan State Normal at Ypsilanti was ill, and therefore unable to attend.

The program was opened by a selection from "The Rose Maiden," well given by the Alma College Chorus, under the direction of Prof. Beausang. The Chorus showed the results of intensive practice on the part of the students and the painstaking efforts which characterizes the excellent work of Prof. Beausang.

Mr. Harry Laity of Albion College presented a finely-constructed oration, "Our Debt of Honor," in such an effective manner that the judges decided that he should be awarded first place. And well did he deserve it! His oration covered a subject which is vital to the mind of every fair-minded American citizen—the problem of the World War veteran. Mr. Laity brought out that the tragic condition of our returned soldiers is caused by our lack of regard for our national debt of honor. The red tape of the three organizations which took the matter in hand was in a measure straightened out by the establishment of the Veterans' Bureau. However, laxity in duty is undermining the new system, as it did the old and the force of public opinion must be substituted for the power of competition if the Veterans' Bureau is to be a success. The returned men who thought themselves safe from the destructive elements of the war find that they are easy victims to the ravages of disease. Government action is slow and as a result many have paid the Price. In many states, the situation has become so drastic that the veterans themselves have undertaken the task of caring for their former "buddies". Europe has put her injured service men on their feet; our country has made investigation after investigation while the veteran suffers from neglect. There are two remedies, namely: a pension system; a vocational system.

In the past, it has been shown that pensions cause idleness, so it remains for us to consider the establishment of vocational education. The people must be awakened to the situation immediately because thousands are failing in health every month while the government makes no, or little, effort to cure them. Mr. Laity concluded by stating that shameful neglect has marked our attitude toward our ex-service men and the war will not be over for us until we discharge our duty—our Debt of Honor—to our service men. Mr. Winfield Burggraaff, the representative from Hope, won second place with his oration, "The Nation's Heritage." Mr. Burggraaff pointed out that the forces of materialism have undermined the empires of history and razed them to the ground. A nation's vision fades and it loses its soul as selfishness finds a place in its heart. The personality of a nation is greater than gold or reign and the economic problems and lust for power cause nations to shrivel and die. Our country's present disorder is not the throbbing of the nation's heart; our heart beats in harmony with the soul of mankind.

Mr. Burggraaff argued further that there must be a return to the Pilgrims' hope. The old and the new (Continued from page three)

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PLACING THE BLAME

Last week the Student Council appointed a committee to arrange a schedule for interclass basketball contests. The committee published the schedule in the Almanian, and posted it on the bulletin board. The days scheduled for the games came and passed, however, without any of the games being played. Why were these games not played? Who was at fault? These are pertinent questions, and are being asked repeatedly about the campus. The answer to the questions involves the failure of two groups, the Student Council on the one hand, and the class presidents on the other.

The failure of the Student Council, while not so serious perhaps as the above statement might imply, was nevertheless a factor, and it was due to faulty legislation and imperfect execution. The motion authorizing the committee was not explicit enough for some of the Pharisees on the campus. It stated that the committee was to "draw up a set of resolutions for interclass contests." According to the strict letter of the law this motion does not authorize the committee to draw up a schedule, although it was clearly the intent of the Council that the committee should do so. Consequently when the committee posted the schedule, the Pharisees claimed that the committee had exceeded its power, and for that reason they would not abide by the schedule. Now had the Student Council seen fit to use its power to force compliance with its edict, all might have been well. Whether or not the committee had exceeded its power was not a matter for the classes to decide; it was purely an issue between the Council and its duly appointed committee. An order from a committee of the Student Council is to be obeyed, and it is the duty of the Council to see that it is obeyed.

The second group at fault was the class presidents. These men, by virtue of their positions as leaders of their classes, should have seen that their class teams were on the floor ready to play according to schedule. The responsibility for a class lies in its president, and its failure to take part in interclass activities can generally be traced to the executive department. While it seems a little unjust to hold one man at fault for the failure of the group, the fact remains that the class will do nothing unless the president takes the initiative and rouses it to action.

The fact that the games were not played off according to schedule, does not preclude the possibility of their being played off in the near future. A closer co-operation between the Student Council and the class presidents would bring about the desired results. Interclass games are good for the school, and a few little technicalities should not be allowed to keep them from being played.

WOMEN'S ORATORICAL CONTEST

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tense thought and workmanship, and were creditably delivered.

Miss Louise Osgood, of Alma, made a fine showing. Her oration "The World's Challenge to the College Student" has been reviewed in the Almanian before, suffice it to say then that the oration took up the part that the college student should play in the world of today, of the limitless opportunities before him, and the preparation that should be made.

Miss Geraldine Pagel, of Hillsdale spoke on "The New History." This dealt in large measure with individualism. Extreme individualism will cause the downfall of any nation. The individual to make history must be alive to the problems of the day, must have an international mind. Civilization depends not only upon the individual, but upon the individuality of nations. We live in an outgrowth of the past, so standing on the funda-

mentals of the past, we should take interest in the present.

Miss Maxine McBride, of Hope, spoke on "Backgrounds." She cited various backgrounds of life, and pointed out the master workers of the ages. In the world war, the master worker was the man of the trenches, for he gave his life for the principles of democracy and brotherhood. Love and service are the only true standards of life, and this should form the setting for our life.

"The Challenge of the Twentieth Century" was the oration given by Miss Florence Larson of Michigan State Normal. This took up the theme of service. It is man's mission in life to serve God and Humanity. Nation's should have the same attitude, for they are no longer isolated, they are parts of a whole. There are two types of man, one of service, and one of gain. Service can be instilled in the hearts of the young, through the educational systems of the country. With concerted service, America may assume the role of Good Samaritan to the world.

Miss Alice Baldwin, of Adrian, spoke on "Common Consciousness and the Individual." Common consciousness is the natural outgrowth of group life. Great movements have been the result of a group mind. The great growth of group action does not lessen the responsibility of the individual, for the individual influences group thought, and the average mentality of the group will be lowered if the individual will not pay attention to the problems of the day. The progress of the future depends upon our visions today, for where there is no vision, the people perish.

Not only the winners, but all the contestants are to be congratulated on their fine showing, for all made strong bids for honors.

ABOUT BOOKS

A number of valuable reference works have been added to the library within the past week.

Those students who are searching for biographical material will be delighted with the set NATIONAL CYCLOPEDIA OF AMERICAN BIOGRAPHY of which there are seventeen volumes, published from 1898-1918. This valuable work is a gift to the library from Mrs. J. Henry Lanca-shire, of New York City, a daughter of Mr. Ammi W. Wright to whom Alma College owes so much.

Another new reference work helpful in biographical research is the A. L. A. INDEX TO GENERAL LITERATURE, with SUPPLEMENT volume, which attempts to do for books of essays and general literature—down to 1910—what the Readers' guide does for periodicals. These two volumes are indexes only, enabling one to find material which is hidden away in books, not always brought out in a Card Catalogue. There are nearly 3 columns devoted to Shakespeare, 2 columns to Tennyson, 1 to George Washington, etc. Subjects other than biography are well indexed also.

Another interesting biographical "tool" is a small volume entitled VIEWPOINTS IN BIOGRAPHY, by Katherine Tappert, published in 1921. In her preface the author states "the plan has been to arrange biographies according to the subject or the idea that makes them stimulating or interesting. * * * The most lovable biographies and autobiographies have been chosen." Some of the groups are Adventures, Americanization, Charming Personalities, French Life, Evolution, Friendships, Literary Genius, Missions, Nature Lovers, Russian Life, etc. One could spend an enjoyable half hour looking through this list of names of those who have left their impress on the sands of time.

Another biographical tool is the latest issue of the CONGRESSIONAL DIRECTORY, donated by the Hon. J. W. Fordney, member of the U. S. Congress, and representative from the 8th district of Michigan.

HILLSDALE GETS

ANOTHER DEFEAT

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floor. The score was now twenty all, with only half a minute to play. The Hillsdale crowd was on its feet yelling for another basket, when the ball was slipped to Carty who saved the day with a perfect shot from the corner. Hillsdale failed to score in the remaining three seconds of play. Through a peculiar arrangement of games, Hillsdale will rank third place in the M. I. A. A. standings according to percentages. This puts Alma fourth, in spite of the fact that she has trounced Hillsdale twice. Alma has played the strongest teams in the association, and consequently has suffered more defeats than Hillsdale nor Kalamazoo.

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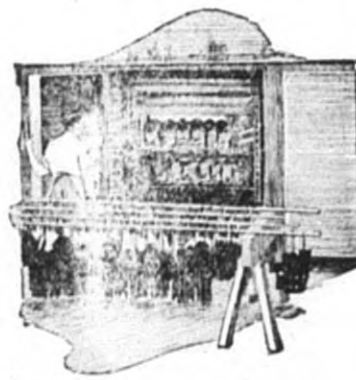
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must give place to the true and our national life will fade if we lose God. A national rebuilding of religious thought is necessary for our future. The Church, home, and school are the only assurances of the future integrity of our country. Our national life must be dedicated to the service of the world.

Mr. William Schrier, of Kalamazoo College, drew third place with his oration, "Our Next Step." His opening words brought to our minds the picture of the war veteran who has just died from the slow but deadly effects of poison gas. The horrors of war were vividly placed before us. We, as a nation, have prospered and progressed rapidly but we have one idea which "marks time." We cannot seem to escape the conviction that wars must exist. We must get rid of this philosophy; we must see that war belongs to yesterday. The power of public opinion must enact the passing of wars. Every stage in our country's progress shows the mark of public opinion; every evil bears the stamp of its indictment. International differences can and must be settled by the acting of a fraternal spirit on the part of the nations involved. Public opinion is crystallized public sentiment and the individual must do his part and contribute his individual idea so that the sacrifices of the World War shall not have been in vain.

Mr. Frank Vreeland, of Alma College, spoke on "The Equality of Love." His forceful delivery made a finely-constructed speech very effective. Mr. Vreeland's message showed that the equality of love is the only remedy for the torn and shattered world of today, and is the only means of settling the questions which confront the nations. The evils of the race cannot be avoided until we get to their cause and have an equality of love. The true equality can only be brought about by Christianity. America has shown somewhat of this spirit when food was sent to the starving people of the devastated countries.

Mr. Clifford French, who represented Hillsdale College, gave a very fine oration entitled "The Guarding of the Melting Pot." His message showed the audience that although we have a free country, as far as immigration is concerned, we must look out for ourselves in some measure. In the past we have created good citizens out of the alien material but today the problem is becoming too great. The tide of humanity now coming across is endangering the established liberty for which our forefathers struggled and died. The old policy of giving farm lands to the incoming hordes brought a good class of people to our shores but those coming today are of the lower classes who only congest our tenement districts. They cannot be assimilated. We have found it necessary to pass laws to protect our industries; why not do the same to protect our people?

An excellent oration, "America's Alternative," was presented by Mr. Ralph Krout, of Adrian College. The speaker brought out that in spite of the fact that three years have passed since the end of the great conflict, jealousy and hatred are still undercurrent in the world today. America stands with a choice of two roads before her. Either we can take the road of preparedness, which inevitably ends in war, or we can choose the unblazed trail which will end in universal peace. Ruthlessness and the effects of war threaten to undermine civilization because the instinct of war is in the human race. The mad race of armament has been halted by a new outlook of the world. Preparedness cannot insure peace; if a nation prepares for war, the war will come. Shall we ignore the sacrifice of our men; shall we stand by and see them trampled in the mire of another world conflict. The keynote to peace is harmony; disarmament must be world-wide to insure permanent peace. A change is coming to the history of humanity. We must choose one of two ways: the path of suspicion and distrust, or the path of world fellowship.

A very appropriate subject was discussed in the oration of Mr. Louis Le Mieux, of Olivet College, entitled "A Challenge to Modern Education." He told us that the modern educators must take it upon themselves to solve the world problems. But as long as the causes exist there will be wars. Mr. Mieux showed that there were four conditions which cause wars:

1. Lack of mutual and sincere love.
2. Contempt of authority.
3. Imposition of nations.
4. Lust of material welfare.

High thinking and right living alone can bring real riches and happiness. High ideals in education will lessen the chances of war. Man craves the truth; why not encourage it in the children. Material facts must be considered but why not con-

sider a cultural education so that the unseemly truth of the world may be made clear and real happiness may be found.

The program of orations was appropriately broken by selections of music given by Prof. Beausang and Miss Roberts, both of Alma College. Miss Roberts played "Triumphal March" by Dudley Buck in a very effective manner which delighted the audience. Prof. Beausang sang "Pleading" by Elgar, in his own characteristic manner which never fails to please.

On the whole, it was a very successful contest. The winners are to be congratulated because it was a mark of no small talent to win a place with such a fine field of orators present. Alma has been glad to have everyone here and we hope, and feel sure, that everyone enjoyed himself and went home feeling that the contest was a complete success and that Alma is a pretty fine school.

**Students Hear of
The Work in Siam**

Those who attended chapel Thursday had the pleasure of hearing a delightful talk by Rev. Howard Campbell on Siam. It is doubtful if before this talk many of the students had any knowledge of Siam, a country exactly half way around the globe from New York. So vivid were the incidents which the speaker related, however, that it is equally certain that no student left the chapel without a good insight into conditions in that country.

"It is a primitive country," said Rev. Campbell, "where one can buy a monkey for nine cents delivered. The trees in the forests even along the roads harbor huge black apes which chatter incessantly as the travellers pass by in the early morning. Water buffaloes are used as beasts of burden, and are tended by children as young as five years of age. When not at work the buffaloes are allowed to graze in the open fields with little children on their backs, to keep them from straying away, or from using their sharpened horns too indiscriminately. A few years ago a leopard stole a watchdog from off the speaker's front porch, although leopards are not supposed to be very plentiful. Tigers are more common, and he told many incidents of their ferocity and cunning. Travelers in Siam are constantly being attacked by tigers, although if the proper precautions are taken there is little danger. Wild elephants abound in plenty, and for a yearly license costing \$3.71 one is allowed to hunt them.

"The native population is very primitive in the matter of clothes and furniture. The people use no chairs, tables, or eating utensils, depending upon the floor for their seats, and upon their fingers for their food. This is not true, however, of the educated class. The Viceroy received his education in England, and the functions at his palace, five hundred miles in the interior, are very formal.

"The work of the missionaries in Siam is directed largely towards educating the natives. There are ten boarding schools for men and also ten for women. Beyond the eighth grade all instruction is carried on in English. There is a demand for teachers in these schools whose graduates go out as missionaries. As they speak the same language as the natives of upper China, many of them go there and take up the work. A party of eight recently departed for that field, and had made nine hundred converts before they reached the station from which they were to work. The graduates of the Christian Colleges are in great demand for government work in Siam, and the Viceroy prefers them to the graduates of the government schools."

Reverend Campbell closed his talk with a presentation of the demand for more teachers in the schools. Never has a plea for missionaries been put more attractively than this. The speaker made his audience live with him for the moment in Siam, and the incidents he described both in regard to the country itself, and to the Christian work carried on, were so real that a genuine response was manifested in the student body.

Alexandria MacKenzie spent the week end at her home in Cass City, Mich.

Ruth King spent the week end at her home in Saginaw, Mich.

Mrs. Vreeland is visiting her daughter, Clarissa, at Wright Hall.

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Miss Boissot: "Do any of the questions bother you?"
McGlone: "No, ma'am, not at all; it's the answers that bother me!"

She: "Never mind, Jack, don't be discouraged; I may learn to love you yet. I didn't care for Harold at first, either."

Notes on the Kazoo-Olivet Trip.
Carty and Hickerson found plenty to do at the Park American in Kalamazoo. Carty, in a vain attempt to make someone else the victim of one of his jokes, returned to his room to find the dresser reposing gracefully on the bare bed-springs, while the bed clothes were draped effectively over the electric lights. After the abused boy had violently exposed his views on the subject, the hotel proprietor appeared and Carty, drawing another breath, started again. The proprietor departed hastily, after remarking that it was no wonder that Ireland obtained her freedom. Hickerson stood in the background operating the air-pump to keep Carty going.

While the debate was waxing hot, some of the deuced rough boys slipped a paving brick into Carty's and Hickerson's grips. Upon arriving at Olivet, the bricks were discovered, hard and sound, and after further ejaculations, they were presented to Olivet with the compliments of Brick Top, Proprietor Carty.

To keep the subject warm, a chunk of Olivet's soft coal was dropped into Carty's handbag and lugged to Lansing. The coal caused further heat to be added to Carty's words. The fellows must have had a hot time!

Cough Drop Beam, the Candy Kid, saved himself from catching his death of cold by greedily devouring the last cough drop in the five-cent bag, as he crouched behind Bud to avoid the ravishing glances of the remainder of the players. Beam's sweet tooth conquered his will power again as he sidled up to the coach in Owosso Sunday morning and begged for a nougat, while the rest of the fellows chewed their thumb-nails and looked on with pleading eyes.

This is all they told us!
A Little Light.
A beacon of light on our campus; We viewed it with hearts beating high. The first of its kind to be noticed On the knob it must now beautify.

A spot of bright light in the darkness, We see resting on this fair chap. And we shudder to think of the chill winds That will whistle 'round Bates' New Spring Cap!

Spring is here! There was an egg in the omelet Wednesday noon.
Burke, to Rev. Campbell after chapel talk: "Are you really from Siam?"
Rev. Campbell: "Yes, Siam!"

McNaughton says that he will pay the debt of the last war if they will name it after him.

Professor Hamilton called on "Miss Bates" in Browning class. Wonder who he meant?

A girl's features may be stamped on a young man's heart, but it is her complexion that comes out on his coat collar.

He was standing outside the Presbyterian church while Vreeland was delivering his oration. A stranger came along and —

Stranger: "Who is talking in there? Or are you just going in?"
Hantel: "No, I just came out. Vreeland is orating?"

Stranger: "And what is he talking about?"
Hantel: "Well,—he—he didn't say!"

Florence: "Oh, Ted, what do you suppose the Dean said about you?"
Ted: "I haven't a single idea."
Florence: "Well, how did you guess?"

ZETA SIGMA
President Crittenden presided at the meeting on February 27. The literary program consisted of a debate on the question, "Resolved, that the U. S. should follow the policy of the closed shop in dealing with labor." The affirmative was upheld by Fry, Stempfly, and S. West; the negative by Hudson, H. Tarrant, and Merriam. The impassioned oratory of Stempfly and Hudson alternately swayed the appreciative audience from one viewpoint to the other. The affirmative won by a 2 to 1 vote.

After the report of the executive committee, Dr. Dubois, an honorary member, gave a short talk. The meeting was then adjourned.

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