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DISAGREEABLE

The Ku Klux Klan article concerning President H. M. Crooks, which appeared in the organization's official sheet, "The Fiery Cross," last Wednesday has caused considerable discussion, especially in view of the action taken by the students of the college in their denunciation of the article. An account of the affair of last Wednesday evening appears elsewhere in this issue, but it is merely a relation of the bare incidents as they occurred, and can not express any editorial opinion, since it is primarily a news article. But we feel that a more exact story should be told, in order that further discussions may be clear.

When the contents of the article became known, several men of the student body went about to the different society houses and Pioneer Hall, and told everyone about the paper's libelous denunciation of President Crooks. A group of about thirty men gathered down town and all the copies of "The Fiery Cross" obtainable were bought. It was at first planned to burn the papers at once in the middle of the street, but after a little discussion, it was thought better to get more of the college students out, that it might be plain to any who doubted, that the whole college was back of the President.

Consequently, there was an adjournment to Pioneer Hall, where practically all of the men in the college gathered. It was then decided to carry out practically the same idea, and if objection was made to burning the papers in the street, it was decided to carry them just out of town and burn them.

Before leaving Pioneer Hall, the group decided that the demonstration was to be carried out in good order and quiet. After suggestion and unanimous verdict, the signature of every man present was put down, in order that it could not be said that the meeting was unplanned and was an unorganized mass meeting.

Then the group formed in a long line, two abreast, marched quietly downtown, and halted in the middle of the main block in front of the office of the Klan organizer. A circle was formed, and the libelous paragraphs were read. When finished, the group was asked what their will was, and they immediately shouted, "Burn it!" The whole story was denounced as being composed of base lies without the slightest foundation of truth. Several yells were given for Prexy, showing how student sentiment stood, and the college song was sung. There was no unnecessary comment on the article, no disorganized shouting, no horse-play. The affair was carried out in a dignified and effective manner.

When the fire had died out completely, the group immediately dispersed.

"A" MENS' CLUB

There have been during past years several organizations on the campus which banded together with more or less common ideals through desires more or less theoretical. Reference is here made to the various city and territorial clubs together with several scientific clubs, all of which have now been seemingly lost to Alma's social organization.

There has been throughout the school year, considerable comment on the possibilities of the formation of an "A" Club; such a club to be composed of the letter men of the college including both athletic and forensic winners. Many ideals of a social and constructive nature which are lacking on the campus could be supplied

by such an organization and fill many of the gaps left through the extinction of the clubs referred to above.

Several of the colleges of the state have letter men organizations all of which maintain a more or less similar standard. Olivet recently organized an "O" Club which is apparently starting with a boom and is securing results.

There is undoubtedly no present student organization on the campus concerning itself about the enlistment of high school graduates for Alma from the various districts already here represented.

There is nothing more than individual effort expended toward the creating of interest in Alma's future and the enlistment of prominent high school athletes.

There is no close connection between the athletic teams and a great many of the athletes, a factor of unity and co-operation which is decidedly essential.

These are some of the ideals which an organization such as an "A" Club could appropriately adopt and be a real beneficial spoke in Alma's campus wheel. These are the factors which could be dealt with far more satisfactorily if some sort of co-operation could supplement individual effort.

Such organizations because of their make-up have and can be the centers of college activities. Such a group is bound to be made up of workers which should contribute immensely to its ultimate success.

SLUMP GONE ALMA TRIMS TWO FOES

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weeks, this coming in the first half, and in the second half it opened up and displaying title winning propensities slaughtered the Hillsdale collegians, Alma winning 31 to 15.

When the first half ended it looked as though the Maroon and Cream was due to lose its second association game of the season, as the Hillsdale team had taken a lead right at the start of the fray and had maintained the lead throughout the half, the score standing Hillsdale 9 and Alma 7, when the whistle ended the festivities for the rest.

Van Hee went into the right guard position as the second half opened and the little Detroit, along with the rest of the team, ran wild in the second half, Alma scoring 24 points in this half to 6 for the Hillsdaleans. Fine offensive work and clever defensive play marked the final period and the Blue and White was helpless before the strength that the Almates displayed in winning the third M. I. A. A. struggle.

Freddie Van Hee must be given considerable credit for his scoring in the final period, the little Detroit, throwing five from the field. He was given able assistance by Catherman, who had three and Shaver, who looped two during the session.

Alma	Pos	Hillsdale
R. Catherman	RF	Philp
Carty	LF	Gettings
MacDonald	C	Reece
H. Catherman	RG	Andrews
Shaver	LG	Reynolds
Referee—Roper,	Western	State

Normal.
Substitutions—Welthoelder for H. Catherman, Van Hee for Welthoelder, Harmon for Andrews, McLean for Harmon, Andrews for McLean.

Field baskets—Van Hee 5, Catherman 4, Carty 2, Shaver 2, Philp 2, Gettings 2, Reece 2.

Fouls—Van Hee 2 in 3, Carty 2 in 4, Shaver 1 in 2, Philp 0 in 1, Reece 3 in 6.

Choice of a Career

From the Yale News

THE NINETY-FOUR

Someone, probably an insurance agent, was quoted recently as saying that from the mass of one hundred college graduates one individual only rose to the Polo and butler class, perilously near the top of the financial ladder. Five others became comfortably off and found themselves after twenty years at the small yacht and chauffeur stage. The other ninety-four presumably congregate in the great section of the American people who drive their own Buicks to the golf club. In other words, dreaming about being a rich man is one thing, and making the grade is "something else again."

Yet the ninety-four presumably work just as hard as the sumptuous six. Their business is the axis on which a small and uninteresting world revolves. They have become devotees of the dollar and when that fickle deity deserts, have nowhere else to turn. Jammed in a dull, straight rut of business they can never leave the road and jump the fence into finer fields of life. This, then, is the portion of ninety-four men out of every hundred now on the campus.

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1214-1294

English philosopher and man of science. Studied at Oxford and the University of Paris. Wrote the *Opus Majus*, *Opus Minus*, *Opus Tertium*, and many other treatises.

For this he was sent to prison

Roger Bacon may not have invented gunpowder, as has been claimed by some biographers of the famous Franciscan friar, but he exploded some of the outstanding errors of thirteenth century thought. Because of his advanced teachings, Bacon spent many years of his life in prison.

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**ALMA AGAIN WINS
IN OVERTIME GAME**

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whistle sounded. The fray was ended. The crowd had seen the greatest basket ball game that central Michigan ever saw.

Every man who was in the struggle is deserving of the highest of praise for his work. It is hard to praise one more than another. In such a game it must be teamwork that wins.

Alma Pos Mt. Pleasant
Van Hee RF Haight
Catherman LF Showalter
MacDonald C Huebner
Shaver RG Failing
Carty LG Lodewyck

Field baskets—Carty 6, Van Hee 4, Shaver, Haight 4, Showalter 2, Huebner, Lodewyck.

Fouls—Carty 0 in 1, Shaver 0 in 1, Haight 1 in 2, Showalter 2 in 3, Huebner 0 in 2, Failing 1 in 2, Lodewyck 0 in 1.

Substitutions—Sprague for Haight, Haight for Sprague, Wright for Catherman, Catherman for Van Hee, Van Hee for Catherman, Welthoelder for Wright, Wright for Shaver.

Score: first half—Alma 12, Mt. Pleasant 6; second half—Mt. Pleasant 16, Alma 16; first overtime period—Alma 20, Mt. Pleasant 20; third over time period—Alma 22 Mt. Pleasant 20; third over time period—Alma 22, Mt. Pleasant 20.

Referee—Roper, Western State Normal.

In a preliminary the Alma Reserves defeated the Normal Reserves 20 to 9, Catherman and Lemon leading the attack.

Alma Pos Normal
Lemon RF Maybee
H. Catherman LF Rush
Bouwman C Hackett
Tebo RG LeCronier
Davis LG Burnham

Field baskets—H. Catherman 5, Lemon 3, Bouwman 2, McCall 2, Hackett, Rush.

Fouls—Wile 0 in 1, Davis 0 in 1.

Substitutions—McCall for LeCronier, LeCronier for Maybee, Maybee for Rush, Conway for Hackett, Wile for Burnham.

Referee—Rathsburg, Alma College.

ZETA SIGMA

At the regular meeting of Zeta Sigma Society, Monday evening, January 28, the following men were initiated into the society: Myron Hughes, Royal Oak; Martin Tanner, Saginaw; and William Martin, Farmington.

The regular order of business was dispensed with following the initiation. The society oratorical contest scheduled for the evening was postponed until after the examination period. Plans were made and committees appointed for the annual Stag Banquet, the date being set for the evening of February 23, following the Olivet basket ball tilt. The place for the banquet was left to be decided later.

Dinner Bell for her Baby

Algernon (city cousin): "What has that cow got the bell strapped around her neck for?"

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7 10	3 10	1 10	10 10	8 10	Saginaw West Side	9 20	11 20	2 50	5 40	7 50
					Schuck Hotel					
7 45	3 45	1 45	10 45	8 45	Hemlock Restaurant	8 45	10 45	2 15	4 45	7 15
					Merrill	8 30	10 30	2 00	4 30	7 00
8 00	4 00	2 00	11 00	9 00	LaDuke's Confect.					
					Wheeler	8 15	10 15	1 45	4 15	6 45
8 15	4 15	2 15	11 15	9 15	Wheeler Garage					
					Breckenridge Restaurant	8 10	10 10	1 40	4 10	6 40
8 20	4 20	2 20	11 20	9 20	St. Louis Park House	7 45	9 45	1 15	3 45	6 15
					Alma	7 30	9 30	1 00	3 30	6 00
9 00	5 00	3 00	12 00	Ar10 00	Waiting Room			Ar12 45		5:45
					325 State St.					
			3 15		10 30			12 30		5 30
					10 45			12 15		5 15
					11 00			12 00		5 00
					11 15			11 45		4 45
					11 25			11 35		4 35
					11 40			11 20		4 20
					11 55			11 05		4 05
					12 45			10 15		3 15

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Times Have Changed
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many drivers who are graduates of
colleges and universities. Six opera-
tors for one single cab company are
doctors of philosophy.

Correct this sentence—"There's
nothing more delightful and invigor-
ating," he declared, "than a nice cold
shower before breakfast."

Ballad of the rum runner—"All
dry agents smile on me when comin'
thro the rye."

At a recent annual meeting of the
National Council of Teachers, held in
Detroit, about 200 members were in
attendance. Thomas C. Blaisdell,
former President of Alma College
and now Prof. of the teaching of En-
glish in the State Normal School at
Slippery Rock, Pennsylvania, was
elected President for the coming
year.

A NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION
Thirty Freshmen
Started in a race,
Ten dropped out,
Couldn't stand the pace.
That left twenty
Sophomores bold,
But five gave up,
Ambition grew cold.
So the fifteen Juniors
Struggled right along,
Till five more took
"Count ten" on the gong.
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Enough Said!

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