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"Y" FORMULATES PLANS FOR YEAR

Hallowe'en Party Will Be First Social Event of Year.

At a recent meeting of the cabinet of the Alma College Y. M. C. A., plans were made for the coming year, and a program of the year's activities outlined. As yet, many of the plans are tentative, but a hazy chronology of the events will serve as a skeleton for the molding of elaborations.

October 9, Professor Clack will give the first of a series of talks on life in Far China. Professor Clack has had experience which gives him unusual information on this subject. He taught in Chihli Provincial College, China, for over a decade, and until 1923 held a position as secretary of the Y. M. C. A. in the the Paotingfu Association. Professor Clack was also the first chairman of the A. A. U. in China, and one of the Chinese representatives on the Far East Athletic Federation. He will bring to the Alma Y. M. C. A. themes concerning the different phases of life in China. This first will deal with the subject of "Politics in China."

By October 16, it is hoped that the membership of the Y. M. C. A. will be definitely known, and on that evening there will be a short business meeting, followed by the initiation of new members. October 23, Professor Clack will present his second talk.

October 31 (Friday night) the Y. M. C. A. and the Y. W. C. A. will jointly invite every student and faculty member to a Hallowe'en party, which will be held in the gymnasium. As yet, definite plans for this event have not been made, but general indications are that it will be either a costume or "hard time" affair.

November 6, Professor Clack will give his third talk, and his fourth and concluding address will be given November 13th before a joint meeting of the Y. M. and Y. W. members.

November 20, a business meeting will be held, and this will be followed by an address by Rev. Merrill of the Methodist Church. Rev. Merrill is well known to the old students, but it might be said that he is a graduate of Albion College. During his undergraduate days, he played four years of football with the Albionites, and four times faced the Alma grid machine. Rev. Merrill has chosen the his subject, "The Least of Our Troubles," and a rollicking good time combined with choice bits of thought and philosophy is in store for all.

December 4, "Father" Gelston will address the meeting. He has come in contact with Alma students for many years, and it is hoped that Alumni will take this opportunity of listening to him again. December 11, a State Y. M. C. A. speaker will visit Alma and bring news from other college organizations.

December 18, to top off the year 1924, the famous Traditional Christmas Party will be presented to the students by the joint co-operation of the Y. M. and Y. W. Every old Alma student and Alumnus remembers this fete in other years as the time when everyone forgets their age and becomes young again. This extravaganza shows college students when "They ain't." The regular society acts or stunts will be rendered, and Santa Claus, a la Uncle Charlie, will come to the meeting, even though it is a week before Christmas.

The organization hopes that its membership will include all students before the social season gets under way. It also hopes that the faculty members will take advantage of the meetings and "drop in" once in a while. The organization and its activities cannot be a success without the co-operation of all branches and factions of student life, but with this co-operation, the organization can be a power of the campus.

"Politics in China" is the subject of Prof. Clark, Thursday night, "Y" room.

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LONE TOUCHDOWN DEFEATS ALMA

Normalites Take Advantage of Bad Break and Score.

Failure of the Maroon and Cream to show anything like the brand of football that was shown against the University of Detroit, lacking the pep and fight that is usual for Alma teams—with no drive—the Alma College team was forced to accept a 7 to 0 defeat from Western State Normal Saturday. It was not on Western's brilliant football that she was able to win, but on Alma's poor playing.

Alma furnished the one big break of the game, when a ball rolled free near the Alma goal line just after the kickoff started the second half, and Captain Johnson of Western's aggregation was quick to realize the advantage. He grabbed the pigskin and dashed across the Alma goal a few short yards away. Then he booted over a dropkick for the seventh point.

It is very possible that the intense heat of Saturday was too much for the players, as Western did not show any great driving power; and it is probable that two such games as Detroit and Western State on successive Saturdays are too much for the Alma team. Whatever the reason was it is certain that it had a result. The Alma team seemed dead to what it was against Detroit. There was poor tackling and blocking at times. There was a lack of interference. There was a lack of drive. There was a lack of pep. There was more or less a lack of generalship at times.

Once and only once did the Maroon and Cream rise to show its power. This came late in the fourth quarter when Western State advanced the ball to the two yard line. She had three plays in which to carry the ball over. The line was like a stone-wall. Not an inch was gained by Western in three plays. She was forced to yield the ball on downs to the Campbellites. A minute and a half was left to play. Alma started a drive—but it was too late. With the ball carried to midfield in a minute and a half the whistle blew. Alma's last chance for a tie had gone. It was the best offensive that Alma had launched during the game, but the time was too short. The game was gone.

In the first period Alma launched one forward pass McDonald to Carty for about 30 yards, Carty taking the ball from the arms of a Western man in midair, just as the Westernite was closing around the leather. Then a drive against the veteran Western line against which Alma could not gain consistently.

The writer wants to make it clear that has no desire to "pan" the team or any of its members. He does desire to impress upon every man on the squad, however, that a far different brand of football must be shown if the Maroon and Cream has any expectation of going through its association schedule to the Michigan Intercollegiate title. He knows that the football men themselves have a full realization that the Alma team did not show the football that the team was capable of playing when they stacked against Western State.

The writer wants to make it clear against the University of Detroit and Western State, believes that the team had power enough to subdue the Teachers. He believes that Alma has stuff enough to win the M. I. A. A. title. But, the eleven must show a far different brand of football than it did against Western State Normal to win the bunting this year. It is capable of playing a different brand. Nearly two weeks remain before the association games start with Michigan State Normal coming to Alma for the first association game on October 18. Let's get together. Then let's go.

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Professor Clack knows football, and he also knows "Y" work. Hear him Thursday night at Pioneer Hall.

Phis Give Smoker For New Men at Alma

Monday evening the Phi Phi Alpha Literary Society entertained a large group of the new men. The Phis thought the awkward reception given the Frosh was not sufficient and set themselves about showing them a good time.

The usually highly respectable Phi house was transformed into a veritable den of vice. Card tables were placed all through the house and in the rear was a real bar serving cider directly from the barrel. Doughnuts were on hand and pretzels served to revive the past. Cummings and Nisbet became very voluble about the olden days and quite impressed the rest with the tales of their former wickedness. Fired with a desire for emulation the rest of the boys got cups of the deadly beverage, armed themselves with smokes, played 500, talked out of the sides of their mouths, and altogether gave a deep impression of their own degeneracy.

Hammond, Cole, Doudna, and Calkins formed an orchestra, while Buzard, Anderson and Holship played to (Continued from page three.)

DEAN COOLEY VISITS ALMA

Presents Timely Theme in College Chapel Address on Tuesday Morning.

Although at the present time participating in the State Senatorial race on the Democratic ticket, Dean Mortimer E. Cooley of the University of Michigan Engineering School gave an excellent address to the student body of Alma College, during the chapel period last Tuesday. Dean Cooley first traced the growth of the six civilizations the world has seen, and told how the present civilization might outlast the preceding ones, by the use of the tool, "Education of the masses." The speaker then revealed the fact that there had never been an engineer seated in the National Congressional body. There are several in the British Parliament at the present time; (Continued on page four)

Almanian Announces Extension Feature

The Almanian extended its field last Friday, when it presented to the Student Body of Alma College, the "Almanian Bulletin Service." As often happens, little incidents occur in the middle of the week which are ephemeral in nature, and before the publication goes to press, these become "stale." Thru the Bulletin Service, these bits of news are not lost to the student body but are publicly presented.

The new Board appears in the vestibule of the Administration building, and can plainly be seen by those entering the doors. "Almanian Bulletin Service" in conspicuous letters shows its location.

The new service is going to take care of a number of other odds and ends. Announcements can be made through its columns, and are silently and quickly presented to the whole of students. A mass meeting or Glee Club Practice can be held within three hours' notice, because of the new system.

The staff also finds articles inter- (Continued on page three)

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M. I. A. A. Directors Send Harriers Here

Several years ago, the football teams of Alma, Albion, Olivet, Ypsilanti, Hillsdale and Kalamazoo met on the old terms, "All's fair in love and war, also football."

The Orators of a number of colleges also found that without organization, their voices came to naught, so a Michigan Intercollegiate Oratorical League was formed.

For years each college in the M. I. A. A. has possessed a Glee Club. Each group of musicians goes its way, takes its own trips, and pays no attention to the others.

The winners of the Intercollegiate Glee Club contest be feasible? There are six schools in the present conference. The winner suggests that through lottery, these Glee Clubs be chosen to perform at the institutions of the other colleges.

This whole thing was presented in a very interesting manner. The members of the Intercollegiate Glee Club are hoping to see you and rejoice in the growth they knew you'd make.

THE Y. M. MEETINGS

Homesick, Frosh? Be honest about it, are you? If you aren't, you should be. Try it. Go to your room, alone, and lock the door.

Why did mother work until her back ached getting that last Sunday dinner? Why did the two of them look so proud when they stood together for their picture?

cracked a book all week? Think it all out for yourself, by yourself.

If you haven't been homesick, try it. You will feel a lot better after it's over. It will make a man of you.

LET'S SING

We have mass meetings, and we have real ones. We yell, and we talk and we whistle and we stamp our feet, and sing a little.

The Alma College Song, The Chant, The Football song, Alma Will Shine—Hot Time

Did You Ever Hear of Alma? What'll We Do?

And then there are a lot of old melodies that we all know. The genre art of barber shop harmony is a great thing, and it's really great sport to indulge in it.

We merely suggest the night before the Hillsdale game, for the first sing.

HOME AGAIN! NOVEMBER 8TH

Home again! The old folks want to see you and rejoice in the growth they knew you'd make.

Some of you have seen the new gym and the old gym made over into a surprisingly modern chemistry building—and the new smoke stack and the new athletic field to be.

The chapel's so full we had to organize a choir and put it on the stage as to find seats for all. Did you see more than enough men for the teams out for football?

Have you ever heard the new band and tootle? Have you seen their maroon and cream uniforms? Have you ever seen two thousand or more at Davis Field?

Come on home! From the front porch we shout it and from the back porch we whistle.

Everybody's waiting for you. And when you come, drop in at the place where we serve tea and coffee (or coffee and sandwiches, whichever it may be and greet old friends and new. Do not drive home after the Albion game!

Each Campbell and the team extension. No; you'd better come and us all realize our hopes.

Yours for all the family, H. M. C., Pres., Alma College.

The Y. M. meetings will start at 7:15 p. m. from now on, and will be held in the "Y" room of Pioneer Hall.

The STRAND THEATRE

Tuesday and Wednesday Barbara LaMarr in "The White Moth"

Thursday and Friday POLA NEGRI in "Lily of the Dust"

SATURDAY George Larkin in "Yankee Madness"

Sunday and Monday Ernest Torrence in "The Fighting Coward"

CHAPEL CHOIR

The Chapel Choir made its first appearance last week. The old members of both glee clubs were moved up into the alcove behind the rostrum, given a hymn book or two, and told to sing. Now they call them a choir.

WANTED! WANTED! WANTED!

The band needs all the snare drummers that it can get. A band is primarily chartered to produce harmony, but a college band needs more than that. It needs PEP.

STATE FOOTBALL GAMES

October 11 Albion vs. Valparaiso at Albion. Albion vs. College of Idaho at Albion. Hillsdale vs. Ypsilanti at Hillsdale.

Next week the Almanian hopes to publish the Student Council minutes. As yet the editor has received no copy of these minutes from the secretary of the council.

The minutes should be printed, in fact the constitution of the council provides that

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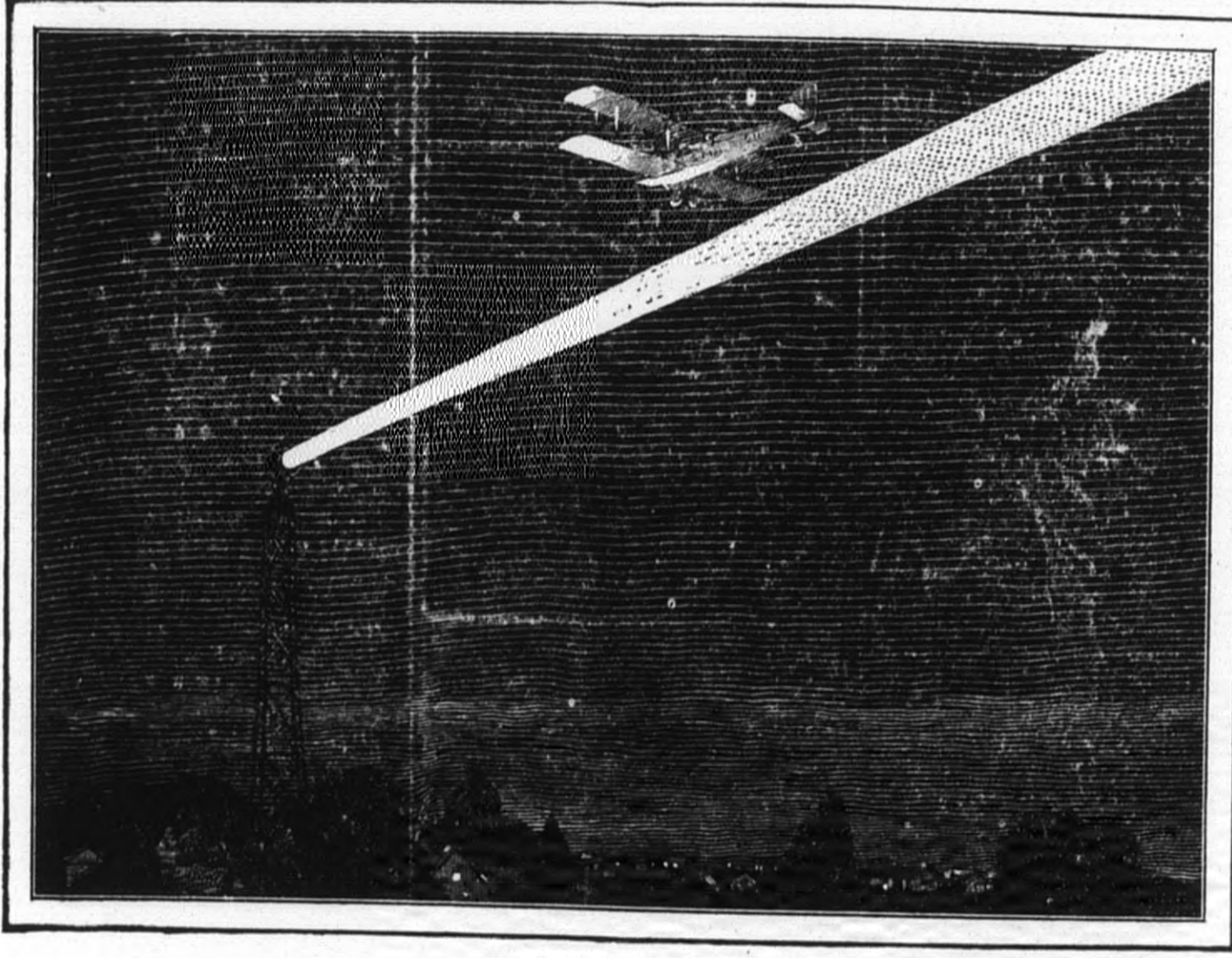
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**PHI SPIRIT RIFE AT SMOKER
 GIVEN TO THE NEW MEN**

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 perfection the parts of the dancing girls. Erskine insisted upon being the drunken sailor who intimidated the rest of the brawlers. Harris was a card shark who enticed the yokels into picking out the red ace in three card monique. Nate Gealor learned the rudiments and after nights of practice now claims to be able to foil the master. Bentley's card tricks were the subject of much comment but the new men combined with their own nimble fingers and soon had him baffled.

In the midst of the revels the boys began to remember the speeches, themes and math which were due the next day and dispersed to see if better results could be attained while they were still giddy. From now on all of Pioneer's wickedness will be done in the approved style learned at the Phi smoker.

**ALMANIAN ANNOUNCES
 NEW FEATURE**

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 est which appear in other collegiate publications. The Almanian is not large enough to publish these in full. In the future such exchanges will appear in the Bulletin service.
 Whenever a dynamic incident occurs on the campus, look for a complete account of it in the Bulletin.

Professor Clark will start off the new "Y" meetings. Hear him at the Pioneer Hall "Y" room Thursday night.

**College Glee Clubs
 Get Under Way**

Both the Men's Glee Club and the Cantando Club met for their first rehearsal of the season last Tuesday night. The clubs are getting an early start in anticipation of an unusually active season. It is expected that the first public appearance of either club will be along about the holiday season, when the combined chorus expects to stage a light musical comedy.

The Men's Club is already planning an extended trip during spring vacation, which may take in Flint, Detroit, Royal Oak, Albion and other cities in the southern part of the state. Several itineraries have been proposed, among them a tour of the Thumb, but no tour has been decided upon as yet. The girls hope for a jaunt or two, as well.

Professor Ewer has chosen squads from the many applicants, and is working them now. The final cut of the clubs will come just before the holidays, when the eighteen men and the eighteen women who will compose the clubs will be named.

The following men reported at the first practice: First Tenor—R. Catherman, R. Hawthorne, H. Feetham, P. Roeler, D. Pugsley, M. Stapleton; Second Tenor—H. West, G. Davis, H. Holland, C. Neeland, S. Frazer, H. Filley; Baritone—F. Prouty, L. Oldt, W. Oldt, D. MacLandress, A. Carty, D. Ruegsegger; Second Bass—Ernest Meriam, E. Crooks, R. Tritten, K. Tarrent, G. Boyd, B. Knowles.

The Cantando Club: First Soprano—Beatrice Cottle, Ethel West, Beau-

lah Watson, Helen Sharrar, Hildgarde Finch, Bertha Woodhurst, Marjorie Dunton, Josephine Peavy.

Second Soprano—Katharine Jenkins, Elizabeth Jenkins, Virginia Tremaine, Dorothy Fox, Mary Gerow, Dorothy Doudna, Dorotha Young.

Alto—Marion Grover, Katharine Joiner, Esther Oldt, Margaret Morrison, Dorothy Bradley, Elizabeth Williams, Bernice Kleinhaus, Arda Behler.

**MAROON AND CREAM BAND
 FAST GETTING INTO FORM**

Although they have held but two rehearsals, the Alma College Band from all appearances will be bigger and better than ever the coming season. All of the old stand-bys are back, except those who were lost by graduation, and it is hoped that the roster will swell to thirty-five or more before the M. I. A. A. football games begin. Under the leadership of Professor Ewer, new numbers are constantly being mastered. Kenneth Wolfe, who is president of the organization is playing an inconspicuous but valuable part in the rounding of the band into shape.

The first public appearance of the band will be at the big Ypsi game, Saturday, Oct. 18. Decked in Maroon and Cream pharaphernalia, the musicians will back the team in their first home game of the season. Last year the organization was a band. This year it will be a "College Band" and display the "pep" that is seen only in such organizations.

**STATE "Y" WORKER HELD
 CONFERENCE WITH CABINET**

Roy McCullough of Detroit, and college "road" man for the Y. M. C. A. visited Alma last Tuesday and attempted to clear up some of the obstacles hindering the local organization. Mr. McCullough has had much experience with college men and Christian Work. He received his A. B. degree from Cornell University, and then spent three years in graduate work at Yale. It is hoped that such men in the future will be made available to the student body.

CHARACTER VS. REPUTATION

There is a definite relation, whatever people may say, between reputation and character. A man's character tends to become what his reputation is. We can imagine that some of our friends are wondering to what these remarks may lead. We will satisfy their curiosity. Around one hundred young people made their entry into our institution about two weeks ago. For two weeks the professors in their classes have been slowly forming an opinion of them. By the end of the semester this opinion will be firmly fixed and will not be easily changed. For two weeks the students on the campus have been forming opinions, classifying the newcomers as good fellows, decent fellows or—in a few cases—just "poor sticks." That opinion will not be easily changed either. In other words the freshmen have gained a reputation, good or bad. In nine cases out of ten the recipient of the reputation will mold his character because it will be too hard to struggle against public opinion to prove that his character is not the same as the reputation that has been justly or unjustly attributed to him. Freshmen, your college future lies largely in your own hands according to your conduct during the first few weeks.

LIBRARY NOTES

A volume entitled "The new standard formulary" which has recently been added to the library contains the following interesting note under the heading of Part IV, Historical notes.

"In England, perfumes and cosmetics were not in general use until the reign of Queen Elizabeth. She apparently used these substances in great abundance, and the people soon followed the example of the court. In fact to such an extent were they used that Parliament passed an act in 1770 that if a woman of whatever age or rank, be she maid or widow, beguile any man and enveigle him into matrimony by the use of perfumery, false hair, corsets, hooped petticoats, high heels, or false hips, she shall suffer the penalty of the law and the marriage shall be null and void."

One wonders what the shades of these lawmakers would think today to see their own sex using cosmetics, to attract the women!

There is an exhibit of Linie Engravings, frontispices of the volumes of Constable's Miscellanies. This kind of engraving is now almost a lost art. An interesting article on the subject may be found in the Encyclopedia Britannica and also in the New International encyclopedia.

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DEAN COOLEY VISITS ALMA

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Marconi is a member of the representative body of Italy, and there are twenty or thirty Japs in their democratic assembly. The South American governments have Engineering Commissions, yet Hoover is the only engineer in the whole of our departments of state.
The problems we have for engineers are Muscle Shoals, the railroads, and the St. Lawrence waterways. Dean Cooley in closing emphasized the fact that the office should seek the man.

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**Faculty Enjoy
Beefsteak Roast**

Thursday evening last, the faculty and their wives enjoyed a spread in the jungle. The main item on the bill of fare was beefsteak a la smoke, each person being allowed to cook or burn his portion to his heart's content. There were some kicks issued from time to time as to the tenderness or otherwise of the tenderloin, but these same complaints came from non-Wright Hall boarders.

At the conclusion of the feasting and drinking, a larger fire was built. Sinclair Tebo and Leonard Andrews then presented the suggested changes in the M. I. A. A. rules and the remainder of the evening was spent in the discussion of them.

**LONE TOUCHDOWN DEFEATS
ALMA IN NORMAL GAME**

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The line up:
ALMA (O)
Carty
Nowiski
Burton
Wright
Couture
Anderson
Shaver
Catherman
Chatman
McDonald
Touchdown—Captain Johnson.
Goal—Captain Johnson.
Substitutions—Normal: Mowe for Zuidema, Sundquist for Miller, Kichter for Carr, Fulgoni for Anderson, Brethour for Monson, Anderson for Fulgoni, Alma: Hawkins for Nowiski, Partee for Couture, Bowman for Shaver, Hawthorne for H. Catherman, Welt- holder for Chatman, Manigold for McDonald, McDonald for R. Catherman, Calkins for Hawkins, Nowiski for Calkins, McDonald for Manigold, R. Catherman for McDonald, Lamb for Weltholder.
Referee—Hasselman of M. A. C.
Umpire—Genebach of Michigan.
Headlinesman Taylor of Kalamazoo.
Quarters—15 minutes.

The "Y" starts off Thursday night.

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M. I. A. A. MEETING

Professor Ditto, faculty representative, and Paul D. Gesner, student representative, motored to Albion, Friday afternoon, where they attended the semi-annual meeting of the Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association directors. A number of changes were made in the rules of eligibility for athletes, and these will appear in The Almanian as soon as a certified copy of the minutes is received.

The directors endorsed the action of the coaches concerning the M. I. A. A. Cross-country run, and it was decided to hold this contest at Alma on Saturday, November 8, 1924. This run will determine the M. I. A. A. Cross-Country championship and will probably be held a few minutes before the Albion-Alma game gets under way.

The Field Meet of June, 1925, will be held at Albion. Albion has probably the best equipment in this line in the M. I. A. A. The Ypsilanti delegate made the statement that their new athletic field would be ready for use in 1926, but at present the entire grounds are under construction.

SOCIAL CALENDAR

Tuesday, October 7—Glee Club Practice.
Wednesday, October 8 — Band Practice.
Thursday, October 9—Y. M. and Y. W. Meetings.
Friday, October 10—Alpha Theta Hayrack Ride.
Saturday, October 11 — Frosh Dancing Party.

WITH THE ALUMNI

Frank Notestein, a former Alma student, is teaching science in the large high school in Butte, Mont.

Miss Mabel Field, who has taught two years in Kobe College, Japan, will return home at holiday time. Her family home is in Rudyard.

Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo W. Beshgetoor of Midland announce the birth of Donald Lincoln Beshgetoor who they prophecy will be graduated from Alma College in the Class of 1940.

The class of 1925 is the largest ever seen in Alma College. There are fifty-one members, and a goodly number that should make the "summa cum laude" honor this year.

Miss Esther Frederick is teaching biology in the University high school at Ann Arbor. She received her Master's degree at the university last year and is said to have made an unusually good record.

Allen T. Follete, Alma 1919, is student, is specializing in economics at Cornell. He enjoys this year a graduate fellowship carrying a liberal stipend. He has had opportunities to teach but plans to go on with graduate work.

Charles Creaser, the first of the Creaser boys to study at Alma, after his study for a doctorate in biology and a year's teaching in Kansas University, is now a professor in the Detroit City College. Doctor Charlie is getting to be a considerable fish expert.

OPEN MEETING HELD

The open meeting of Alpha Theta Literary Society was held Monday evening, September 29, honoring the Freshmen girls and the officers of the other societies. Roll call was answered to by a motto, followed by a short program. Ethel West's solo was very much enjoyed, and without doubt everyone appreciated the cleverness of Helen Sharrar's dance. The value of college society was very well proven by a paper written by Dorothea Young. The program was concluded by a one-act play entitled "The Honorable Togo." The all-star cast consisted of Virginia Tremaine, Marjorie Dunton, Hildegard Finch and Ann Lyons. Adjournment.

ZETA SIGMA TO ENTERTAIN

The Zeta Sigma Society has invited its affiliated society, Alpha Theta, to an open entertainment to be given at the Zeta Sigma House. Wednesday, October 15, has been named, but the date has not yet been finally set, pending approval of the dates committee.

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Zinn (nee Pauline Strick) spent the week end in Alma.

Miss Margaret Poole was a Wright Hall visitor Saturday and Sunday. Miss Poole is at present living with in Flint with her mother.

Miss Agnes Ardys, who is teaching at Fremont, spent the week end in Alma. Miss Ardys was graduated with the class of '23.

Among those seen at the Kalamazoo Normal game were Robert Wyatt, '23, Cecil Wallace, ex-'25, Leo Handley, ex-'23, and Trudeau Des Jardins, '23.

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