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LA FOLLETTE MEN AT WORK IN ALMA

Progressives Organize and
Enlist Dissenting
Republicans.

The wave of Progressivism which is sweeping over our country has reached the hitherto Republican stronghold of Alma College, and is already making itself felt against Gibraltar.

Wilmer Patton and Frank Prouty, prominent members of the Republican Club, have withdrawn from the McGlone organization, and are rallying the students to the support of that life-long servant of the people—Robert M. LaFollette. Mr. Patton has accepted the presidency of the new Progressive organization and Mr. Prouty the vice-presidency. Cecil MacDonald has been chosen secretary-treasurer.

Feeling that large numbers destroy the value of such an organization, the charter members have formulated a constitution limiting the membership to twenty. Admission to the club can be secured only through the invitation of a charter member and a two-thirds vote of the membership.

In a recent interview Mr. Prouty stated "The purpose of the organization is to study and spread the neglected truth of Progressivism." The club endorses all the major policies of the LaFollette-Wheeler platform. Some of these are: Making the Supreme Court subject to the representatives of the people, namely, our Congress; the repeal of the Esch-Cummins law, and the relief of the farmers and laborers of the nation. The Progressive Club stands with Representative John M. Nelson, the man who swayed the LaFollette ballot. (Continued on page four)

CAMPBELL'S FIRST AIDE



HAROLD McNAUGHTON
"Dick"

Assistant Coach McNaughton is doing wonders this year in assisting Coach Campbell in whipping the Maroon and Cream eleven into shape. "Dick" played four years with the Alma Varsity and captained the football team of 1922. He was chosen All-M. I. A. A. guard in 1920, and received honorable mention on last year's mythical All-Association grid machine. This summer he attended the Football Coaching School of the University of Michigan. McNaughton knows how to teach, and Campbell claims him the most valuable aide he ever had, in his fourteen years of coaching.

SOCIAL CALENDAR FOR COMING WEEK

Tuesday, Oct. 14—Glee Club and Cantando Club practice.
Wednesday, Oct. 15—Band practice.
Thursday, Oct. 16—Professor Clack addresses the Y. M. C. A. Meeting of Y. W. C. A.
Friday, Oct. 17—Kappa Iota party for girls.
Saturday, Oct. 18—Alma vs. Ypsilanti at Davis Field.
Sunday, Oct. 19—Church Services.
Monday, Oct. 20—Society meetings.

Beta Tau Men Hold Smoker for Frosh

A hilarious mob invaded the usual staid solemnity of the Wright Hotel parlors Monday evening, October 6th. Beta Tau Epsilon, the youngest men's society on the campus, held its annual Frosh smoker for the entertainment of Alma's latest class.

President Apsey called the gang to order for a short program. Following his speech of welcome Professor Sharrar in the hit of the evening recited several of James Whitcomb Riley's poems. He followed with an "Ode to Sault Ste. Marie" which was well received by the Sault members of the Society. The society orchestra kept the fun going during the entire evening.

The climax of the night's activity was reached when "Fat" MacDougall formally unveiled the "keg" and invited the boys to "line up." After the cider and doughnuts, smokes were in order and everyone received their fill of camels and R. G. Dunns. Cards were indulged in and the enjoyment went on until the hotel management, fearing for the sleep of its patrons, recommended that the party go home.

The only calamity of the evening occurred when Wilmer Patton, in spite of the protection of his recently acquired mustache, succumbed to the gaseous attack of his third R. G. Dunn and was attended to his home.

Stag Party at Gelston's

Wednesday evening twelve or more fellows met at the home of Rev. Gelston for a stag party royal. For the matter of an hour the fellows were entertained by games which required both mental and physical juggling. Then refreshments—the usual bountiful Gelston refreshments, were served. After revelling in pie a la mode and similar dainties the company convened to meeting where the real purpose of the gathering was disclosed. Rev. Gelston imparted to his guests the hope that they would be able to take an active part in the administration of church activities, such as ushering. He declared that the only way to hold a church organization together was to give some definite responsibility to all the members of the organization. The company scattered after a most delightful evening.

ALMA FOOTBALL CAPTAIN



GORDON McDONALD
"The Wolf"

"Wolf" McDonald, captain of the 1924 Varsity football squad, is a real grid leader. He is six feet two inches tall, weighs 170 pounds, and is a triple threat man. He can run, pass, punt, and play any position on the team, but stars at fullback and quarterback. He was chosen All-M.I.A.A. fullback last season, and is capable of repeating the stunt this year.

In the Alma-U. of D. game, he scored both touchdowns, one of them on the fourth down with five yards to go. As the Alma team won the championship last year, it will be a "marked" team this season. Five hard games must be won. McDonald must keep the malady of overconfidence from the squad, and make the eleven men on the field a formidable perpetual fighting unit.

REV. MERRILL GIVES ADDRESS

Last Wednesday morning, the students and faculty were recipients of an interesting talk by Rev. Merrill of the First Methodist Church of Alma. Rev. Merrill chose for his topic, "Sin," and he presented some astounding figures concerning its cost. The talk was unusually interesting, and was the subject of much favorable campus comment.

FRESHMAN WINS THE SPECIAL CROSS-COUNTRY

McManus, a freshman from Detroit, won the cross-country run on Saturday, beating out Patton in the last few yards. Bentley came in a long third, while Doudna and Pratt won fourth and fifth places respectively. The course which was about four and one-half miles long was covered by Patton and McManus in 29½ minutes. Two of the seven men to start dropped out in the third mile.

Alpha Theta Hay Ride A Bounding Success

Once again the brown burnt-edged invitations summoned each new girl to join Alpha Theta on their annual hayride, October 10th. At four o'clock three large hayracks left Wright Hall, very much loaded with girls, apples, and kisses. Honeyoye was shortly taken possession of by the merry crowd, and became the scene of various games and amusements. At six-thirty the racks were again filled, and the homeward journey was begun.

Wright Hall was soon reached and there the Alpha Theta room became the scene of further activities. Cornstalks, pumpkins and leaves were much in evidence, and served to give the room a thoroughly festive air. The girls were uniformly seated and a real dinner was served. By eight o'clock the novelty programs were filled out and the dance was on. Between a barrel of cider and Hammond-Cole jazz, everyone's spirits soared high and the evening passed all too soon.

Drop into Burkheiser's and get a free megaphone for the Ypsilanti game.

Kappa Iota Holds Open Meeting

Monday evening, October 6, the Kappa Iota Literary Society entertained the faculty women, officers of other societies, and the new girls of the college at their annual open meeting. The topic of study this year is the "Modern Age," and roll call was answered by a selection of modern literature. The regular business meeting having been dispensed with, a varied program followed. Bertha Woodhurst opened the entertainment with a violin solo. An instructive and most interesting paper, "Modern Books" by Mary Gerow was followed by a piano solo by Dorothy Fox. A clever playlet was delightfully acted by Lo Reta Neely and Cathryn Lee, as modern wives, and Georgina Dunster and Dorothy Lee as their dutiful and forgetful husbands. As an Irish maid, Bertha Woodhurst added greatly to the humor of the selection. Adjournment.

NEMESIS HITS ALMA GRIDDERS

Ill Spirit of Overconfidence
Worries Coach
Campbell.

(From an interview with the Coach)
The Alma football team has slumped. The doldrum in which it has drifted for the past week continues to enshroud it, and unless a breath of life hits the camp, Saturday's game will fare ill for the Presbyterians.

For some reason or other, the Alma college students, townspeople, and state newspaper reporters, have circulated the theory that Alma is sitting on top of the world. Due to the fact that a number of last year's men are back, the story of a "veteran team" has caused the athletes to consider the coming season too lightly.

It might be said here that Albion has no mediocre grid machine. Such men as Captain Pahl, Olsen, Barlow, Preshaw are found on the line. Griffin, Robinson, (All-Ohio-State back), Kenaga, Victor Williams (All-state half-back), and Harry Williams (210 pound plunging fullback) give the Methodists plenty of backfield material.

Hillsdale is football mad. The townspeople have backed the team in every way possible. The students are clamoring for the championship. The two six-foot veteran ends, Gettings and Fairgrievs, could well be used on the University of Michigan eleven," says a state newspaper reporter. Hillsdale is probably stronger than Albion, due to the style of play which is in vogue this year.

The ardent backers of the Alma athletes, sit back and twiddle their thumbs. (Continued on page three)

ALMA FOOTBALL MENTOR



COACH ROY CAMPBELL
"The Fighting Scotchman"

The name of Campbell and "championship" winner" have become synonymous in Michigan Intercollegiate history. Since his regime at Alma, "The Fighting Scotchman" has won two baseball championships, a basketball championship, and the coveted football championship. Campbell intends to retain the football honors this fall by placing on the field, a team with drive and effectiveness. Last season, he won the football championship with the lightest team in the association. A graduate of Alma College himself, Campbell knows how Alma teams can fight, and also how to make them fight. Do your best, Coach—all Alma is backing you.

ALMAITES!

The M. I. A. A. championship depends upon five games. Unless a team wins all five games, that championship is usually lost. Alma won the championship last year, because her football team began fighting when the whistle blew, and kept it up until the last dog was hung.

DOWN

state about eight miles from Ann Arbor is a team which has a string of veterans. This team is YPSILANTI. They fought Hillsdale last Saturday and were defeated by the narrow margin of 14-13. This is the team which comes to wrestle Alma for the M. I. A. A. championship Saturday. There is only one way that the down staters can be beaten and that is

WITH

the co-operation of every student in the college — and every other Alma booster, no matter how big or small he may be. Armed to the teeth with megaphones, band instruments, and lusty voices, the Alma supporters must be at Davis Field Saturday afternoon at 2:30 p. m.; for the scrappiest squad of line-smashing, end-running, long-passing, drop-kicking, blocking, tackling, fighting, charging, "football-eers" is going to fight

YPSILANTI!!!

—Be there and Yell

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THE OPEN FORUM

The crucible is hot. The melting pot is gurgling with the lava-like campus opinion. May the slag of the communications published below float freely to the surface—but below the slag, may there be pure gold.

In the first edition of The Almanian, the editor welcomed statements of student thought on any subject. It appears that there is something wrong on the campus, and that something has caused three people to pen searing lines. Those who read these protests will probably have something to say to the contrary. The editor again welcomes any and all students to send their views on problems to the editorial offices.

COMMUNICATION

To the Editor:

The biggest mess on the campus at the present time seems to be the girl's societies. The thing that has made a great many people doubt the value of these organizations is the matter of pledging the new girls this year.

The situation as it appears to an outsider is briefly this: The three societies entered into a pact at the first of the year, promising that no new girl would be rushed by the society until a definite program of entertainments and open meetings was carried through. Then each girl would be asked to state her preference, the societies turning in at the same time a list of the girls they wished to pledge. A neutral committee is to go over the two lists and to assign each girl to the society of her choice if that society desired her, as nearly as possible to conform with the wishes of the two parties interested. It seems that there was a little difficulty in getting one group to sign, but they finally agreed to the rules set down by the inter-society council.

Now two of the societies claim to have conclusive proof that the other group has violated the rushing pact. They have accused them of it and they act indignant that they be accused of such a thing, but say unofficially, "What is the difference between our doing it, and you having your affiliated boy's society do it for you?" And I guess they have reason to say that, too. The rules may be too strict. Open rushing has been tried and isn't much better. But it isn't all a question of the rules. Each society has given its word, and it seems that each has broken it. (It is interesting to note here that the boys, who would naturally be expected to have the strenuous time, have pledged their men. There have been no struggles, no bitterness, no dirt slung, and the venture that there are few misfits is pretty safe.)

It is too bad that a Freshman girl gets such an impression of college. She comes here probably unknown. No old society girl dare speak to her for about six weeks because that would be rushing. About all she hears of the old girls are the scraps that they are having about her. If a girl speaks to her about society, she knows that that girl is lying to do it. It is too bad that a new girl should have to labor under the impression that she gets of some of the seeming shining lights of the societies that bid for her favor. And it is too bad, too, that a society has to be judged by the artificialities of a party or an open meeting.

Abolish the girl's societies altogether. That is the solution to the whole problem. There isn't any place for them anyway, so far as I can see. They meet every Monday night. After they get through scrapping among themselves over whether or not the next blotter for the president's desk should be green or brown, they settle down to the literary program. Somebody sings "To a Wild Honeysuckle, basking so blythly in the sun" and then somebody else tells who composed it and how it all happened, and somebody else hurries through a paper on the author so as to get through in five minutes, making the program last eighteen minutes not counting the time out between speeches. Sometimes, to relieve the monotony of the deep stuff they have been digesting heretofore, they have a little snappy debate. A fellow overheard a girl telling another girl, who had evidently had a chance to go to the show the night before, instead of to society, the subject of one of those debates once. But as soon as the young lady saw the young man she blushed profusely, and disappeared. He didn't hear how it came out. The program is about

all that the society has to hold it together. The fellows have their houses, and their common problems, and companionship to hold them together, but the girls don't seem to have any of these things. As it is now in the hall, a Freshman girl makes a guess at which gang she wants to run around with, and if she gets in she runs around with that gang. If she wants to get out, that is too bad, because she can't get out, unless she quits school. Girls have been known to quit school for that reason.

If the societies were abolished, then a girl could pick her friends, and if she tired of one set she might pal with another. Now if a girl in one society runs around too much with a girl of another affiliation, she is accused of spilling every bit of the gossip that gets out. If a breach comes up between the two societies, as there is now for example, the girls are sworn enemies. Two girls came here once from the same small home town. They were separated, one went into one society, and one into another. They went back to the home town at the holidays barely speaking, and during the summer each busied herself telling how the other made such a mistake in joining the wrong 'set.' And queerer things have happened than that two society sisters refuse to speak, and keep it up consistently for a year (and still going strong.)

Some people can remember back when the girl that wasn't pledged to a society cried about it, and felt awfully sorry for herself, but pretty soon it will be true that the girl who isn't sought will be the lucky one. She can be friends with lots of folks, and at least she will not have to list a single girl as her enemy because of society.

The girl's societies should go. They breed more enmity and ill-feeling than they, or twice as many like them are worth. I wish had more space and time.

Cynically and sincerely yours,
A Student.

COMMUNICATION

Something's wrong with the sorority rushing rules in Alma College. Just listen in at any group on the campus and you'll hear them tossing it back and forth, blaming individuals or groups for the failure of the present regime and in a few cases offering a remedy to the situation.

Sorority rushing as it now stands places the freshman in an unnatural atmosphere. This unnaturalness extends to the upper class woman, too. She cannot extend the customary courtesies because it is "rushing." True, the freshman is warned beforehand that for a period upper class women are sufficient unto themselves and that together with acquainting themselves to the idea of college, she must make all the advances toward friendship with anyone that's learned the way of the institution.

Nearly every group has testified that they condemn the rules as they are. Let's suggest open rushing. If it seems best a period of probation might be arranged for without the ties of the present rules.

When a girl chooses her society, she chooses the group she is to know most intimately. It is only reasonable that she should be where she can be happiest—with her friends. Now she enters blindly. She enters the group that first impressed her or circumstance has thrown her among. She is not given any actual guide to the group she chooses. She has seen their open meetings, to be sure, but those are a case of putting the best foot forward—and if possible, putting it just a little farther forward than the other fellow.

Let's give her a chance to choose her group. Abolish the agony of pledge day and restore naturalness to the situation. Make friendship a synonym for sorority and secure both group and individual happiness by open rushing.

A NEW PLAN

To whom it may concern:
Of late there has been much discussion as to the rushing rules as laid down by the Inter-Society Council. All in all they appear to be complicated. They were made with a good purpose in mind, but many things appear to be unsatisfactory after the experimental stage. The rushing rules are no exception.

The writer has a plan which appears feasible. This plan is presented not with the spirit of destructive criticism, but as a suggestion which might assist the Inter-Society Council.

First, the plan calls for no restrictions, rules, or regulations before Thanksgiving vacation. During this period, the new girls will be allowed to associate and chum with whom they wish. During this period, the regular Freshman obligations would be observed by them, but all other associational handicaps would be removed. Open meetings, canoe trips, dinners, receptions, entertainments would all be permissible, and the new girls would have a chance to

see all sides of each group in the light of normalcy.

Second, the "rushing" period would begin after Thanksgiving, and pledges would be chosen immediately. A short pledging period of from Thanksgiving until Christmas would be sufficient. New members could be initiated at the discretion of the society.

Third, by matter of explanation, if a girl should be invited by two or more societies, she would be allowed to state her preference.

Think it over.
Signed: An Arbitrator.

HOME COMING

With glad hearts and hospitable hands we will welcome back again this year our alumni. We will strive to give them all the entertainment that a football game between well-matched rivals, a track meet, and at least two banquets can furnish. Everyone of us will do his best to make every old grad feel for one day as he did before he headed out into the cold, wide world. We will strive to make it the most joyous homecoming in Alma's history.

And yet we are afraid that there will be just a tinge of disappointment for some of us in this homecoming celebration. Our readers will remember that last year the societies discussed the possibilities of having a joint society banquet and dance. It was thought that the home-comers would catch the old spirit better in such a gathering than separate society functions. The project was not executed last year, but it was understood that it would receive serious attention this year. Apparently the plan has been dropped altogether and the alumni will be separated on another future occasion. However, we shall not be discouraged, trusting that we will be able to show our guests Alma spirit in the same old Alma way.

Because of the wealth of literary talent in Alma College, it is difficult to choose a staff on the spur of the moment. It is hoped that the category of writers will be complete before the next edition.

STATE FOOTBALL GAMES

October 18.

- Alma vs. Ypsilanti at Alma.
- Albion vs. Mt. Pleasant at Albion.
- Olivet vs. Detroit City College at Olivet.
- Hillsdale vs. Toledo University at Hillsdale.
- Kazoo vs. Beloit at Beloit, Wis.
- U. of M. vs. Illinois at Urbana.
- M. A. C. vs. Chicago Y at Lansing.
- Adrian College vs. Baldwin Wallace at Borea.

The only way to beat Ypsilanti is with a megaphone. Burkheiser is giving them to all college students free of charge.

A CORRECTION

The Almanian wishes to correct the error which appeared in last week's edition. The names of Frank Notestein and Allen T. Follete became mixed, and the staff wishes to apologize for the error. The corrected alumni notes read as follows:

"Frank Notestein 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.

"Allen T. Follete is teaching science in a large high school at Butte, Montana."

A girl can yell louder with a megaphone. Get one at Burkheiser's free of charge.

Idlehour Theatre

Tuesday and Wednesday
(Last Two Days)

MARY PICKFORD

in
"Dorothy Vernon of Haddon Hall"

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THURSDAY (Only)
Trixie Friganza

—in—

"Mind Over Motor"

Friday and Saturday
BUCK JONES

—in—

"The Desert Outlaw"

CAMPUSOLOGY

College Student—"What do you charge for rooms?"
Landlady—"\$5.00 up."
C. S.—"But I'm a college student."
Landlady—"Then its \$5.00 down."

Another One of Rudy's.

Prexy—"I hear Lemon is going to leave the college?"
Reuggsegger—"How much?"

"She is the spice of the show."
"Did the author give her good lines?"
"No, but nature did."

Heard at Lunch in Wright Hall

"A traveling man told me—just a minute, that wasn't the story I had in mind."

Hammond—I made a bad break at dinner last night.

Galor—How's zat?
Hammond—The head of the table asked me if I wanted some more corn, and I passed my glass.

The question that always bothered us is, "Is clam digging fishing or agriculture?"

Famous Sayings of Famous People

Pres. Crooks—"What's your lowest score on eighteen holes?"
Dean Mitchell—"What's your handicap?"
Ken Moore—"Hello Frank."
Cuddy Shaver—"Hello Earnest."
Professor Cook—"Has Dr. Ewing O.K.'d this?"
McGlone—"Dinner will not be served until everyone is inside the doorway."
Any Swipe—"There aren't any seconds tonight."
Sam Beauchamp—"Chocolate or vanilla ice cream?"
Jack Albin—"Now in Manistique"
Miss Ward—"There are people in here trying to study, and—"
Coach Campbell—"Did you hear the one about the guy that—"
Stan Vliet—"Every copy is sold, but there will be more in next week."
Russ Catherman—"What size shoe do you wear?"
Red Carty—"\$.75 a pair."
Fat MacDougall—"When do we eat?"
Any Alumni—"When's Homecoming day?"
Percy Wilson—"Mathematically speaking—"
Hillsdale—"We hope to win the championship."
Albion—"We're out to win the championship."
Ypsi—"We ought to win the championship."
Olivet—"We'll make a strong bid for the championship."
Kalamazoo—"We have championship material."
ALMA—"WE HOLD THE M. I. A. A. CHAMPIONSHIP, AND WE'RE GOING TO KEEP IT!"

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Thursday, Oct. 16th

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concerts

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in

"The Woman
on the Jury"

SATURDAY

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in
"LET'S GO"

Sunday and Monday
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—in—

"By Divine Right"

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NEMESIS HITS ALMA GRIDDERS

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thumbs as if the championship were all ready won. A veteran team!! It might be well to look over the Alma letter men.

Carty, left end on the 1923 team never played a game of football until he entered college. During the whole of his high school days, he did not even try a football uniform on. Burton, sub left guard on last year's team played two years at fullback with the Manistique high school. Burton never played on the line until last year, yet he is one of the "veteran" linemen. Rodge Wright, center, played at fullback for three years with the Hart high school. His first year at Alma he played at fullback. He is a veteran. Partee, right guard, a sophomore on the team played with Breckenridge high school. Anderson, right tackle, played with the Alma high school. Shaver, right end, was an excellently trained player when he came to Alma from Bay City Central high school. Shaver will probably not be available for the first few games, due to a hip injury. This malady dates back to the Ypsilanti game of last year, when an unfortunate block removed him from the fray. Harley and Russ Catherman are two more "veterans." Each of them played with Farmington high school. MacDonald has failed to strike his stride this year. The broken shoulder he sustained in the 1923 Albion game has taken his nerve, and he is using the mended joint with caution. MacDonald played with Bay City Central high school. A tonsillitis operation has removed Lankton from the lineup. Lamb, an Alma backfield man, was a substitute linesman at Alma high school. Welthoelter played with Northwestern High, Detroit. Maurer never played high school football. Calkins is a guard from Sebewaing high school. Reed never played high school football, and has played but a quarter of college football. Couture is a Greenville high school product. Tebo has had to drop football because of other activities. Behold the "veterans."

On top of this, a spirit of handshaking has grasped the letter men. To them, the football championship seems but a matter of time. This spirit should be admired off the field, but a team in order to be efficient

must contain eleven scrapping, smashing fighters.

Only two of the old men have shown the old time fight, which brought the football championship to Alma last year. Lamb appears the best letter man in the backfield. In a game between two picked teams last Thursday, he consistently went through the center of the line for gains of eight and ten yards. As a result his team was able to defeat their opponents 7 to 0. Lamb's consistent smashing makes him a valuable man this year. Calkins, at guard is steady and reliable. He is the hardest man to gain through that we have. So far Calkins has been able to play but five or six minutes, of any game, due to a bad ankle.

In the new material, however, are a bunch of "bustin' fools" that can't help but replace some of the old men. Manigold is showing up unusually well at fullback. He can run, kick, pass, or plunge with equal ability. Hawthorne, tho at present laid up with a bad shoulder, is doing good work for a new man. Chatman, who has been handicapped in getting the plays, is the fastest man on the squad. He is a fighter all the way through, and a demon at blocking and tackling. Bouwman will give anybody and everybody a race for end position. Holship is an end, and is doing fine work in that position. He is a strong defensive man, and good at receiving forward passes. He is inexperienced, but willing to learn. MacGregor is an unusually good lineman. Sartor is one of the best and surest tacklers on the team, even though he is the lightest man on the squad. Galor, at quarterback, is small and light, but shows good football sense. Nowiski is coming through as a lineman, and a fairly good kicker as well. Fraser's doggedness, seriousness, and hard working qualities, make him valuable. Hogan never played football before, but besides being willing to learn, he is na apt scholar. Knowles, Nochvill, Scott and Rauch, although as yet practically untested show promise. Rauch is dangerous, as Bert Bouwman's accidental "black eye" will prove.

Alma's winning team last year, was the result of incessant, never-lay-down fight. The team didn't plug its way; it fought its way to the championship. The M. I. A. A. season opens Saturday. Ypsilanti is strong.

She completed pass after pass in the Toledo University game two weeks ago. She plunged the line with consistency. Ypsilanti also had 2,641 students to pick a squad from, or nearly nine times as many as did Alma. It is costly to "open up too late." If the spirit's right Alma will win.

Mich. State Normal Opposes Alma Sat.

Saturday, October 18, Michigan State Normal opposes the Alma College football team on Davis field. It will be the ushering in of the Michigan Intercollegiate football season as far as Alma is concerned.

The coming fray will be no pink tea affair. Michigan State Normal has one of the very best squads in her history. Injuries so far have prevented the Teachers from showing their full strength. It is expected to be shown Saturday afternoon, however, and the Alma team is certain to find some tough picking. In fact Michigan State Normal fans are firm in the belief that they have a team that is a contender for the championship. If the opinion of the Ypsilanti fans is founded on fact it is certain that the men of Campbell will have a real busy afternoon's work cut out for them.

Just how the Maroon and Cream will stack up when the game starts is somewhat of a question. It is expected, however, that the injured list will be cleared out and that the entire squad will be fit for action. Some changes in the lineup are likely, however, as Coach Campbell is not yet satisfied with the work of his team. It failed to display the vim and dash against Western State Normal that Campbell hoped for, and no one realizes any better than Coach Campbell that the Alma team must play an entirely different brand of football if it is to win the Michigan Intercollegiate title. He is busy striving to get the results.

If Alma should lose to the Teachers Saturday she might just as well count herself out of the running. If she fails to defeat Michigan State by an impressive score the Maroon and Cream will get little consideration outside as a title contender.

Pep will be needed on the side lines. The band will be out. The band will help. Pep and more pep will help still more. The college eleven must realize that it must play football. The attitude, if any of the men of Campbell have it, that all that the team needs to do is to take the field to win a game, is entirely wrong, and will be disastrous. Championships come only through effort. Many and many a football team has fallen by the wayside because it has thought too much of its ability and as a result has underestimated the ability of its opponents.

Advice is cheap. There is no charge for this.

LIBRARY NOTES

Have you read the life and letters of Walter Hines Page?

Do you know who Mr. Page was? Do you know what service he rendered the United States?

Do you know that the above work gives a picture of his student days at Johns Hopkins University?

Do you know that there is a movement on foot to found a memorial to him in the form of a permanent post graduate school of international relations at Johns Hopkins, to be named after Walter Hines Page? This will be a new type of school, one that is to fill a long-felt need. One million dollars are required, and the Trustees for establishing this fund are sending out circulars of information with requests for co-operation and help from all who may be interested. The general support of the public is sought. Would you not be interested to read this circular?

Would you not be interested to read the life and letters of this unusually fine type of American citizen, following him through his college days, his editorial days, and the days of his war service in London as United States Ambassador?

These publications are to be had at the college library.

The Michigan Library Association will meet in Saginaw from October 15th to 17th. Alma College Library will be represented by several of the Library Staff and Class. Interesting papers and addresses are to be given on Rare books of the United States, Michigan history, and modern current literature.

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PHI PHI ALPHA

Phi Phi Alpha Literary Society held its regular meeting last Monday evening, October 6. After the business of the evening had been transacted, the Society turned to the initiation of Earl Leichty, one of last spring's pledges.

PROSPECTS ENCOURAGING

In less than a month, on November 8th, to be exact, the annual M. I. A. A. cross country run will be held

in Alma. This event will take place either before or during the Alma-Albion football game which will be played on that day.

The candidates for the Alma cross-country team have been in steady practice since the opening of the semester. A very encouraging interest is being shown in the sport and there is material of quality and quantity to make a respectable cross-country team. At the present time Bentley, Williams, Doudna, Lichtey, Tebo, Patton, McManus, Pratt and Purdy are trying for the five places on the team. Bentley, Williams, Doudna and McMannus seem at present to be the stars of the squad. Three weeks more practice will certainly improve the other persons in the squad so that the competition for places will be lively. The course to be traversed in the meet has not yet been laid out but it will be between three and four miles in length.

Ypsi, Albion and Kalamazoo will be Alma's strongest opponents in the track meet. Ypsi and Kalamazoo between them have carried off most of the honors in track for the last few years, but Alma will furnish them strong opposition this season.

STATE FOOTBALL SCORES

Alma—No game.
 Olivet 3, Kalamazoo 0.
 Hillsdale 14, Ypsilanti 13.
 Valparaiso 14, Albion 3.
 U. of M. 7, M. A. C. 0.
 Army 20, U. of D. 0.
 Kazoo Normal 6, St. Viator 0.
 Mt. Pleasant 27, Bay City Junior 0.

STUDENT COUNCIL MINUTES DESIRED BY THE ALMANIAN

At the last meeting of the Student Council, representatives were appointed on the Almanian Board of Control. So far, by word of mouth, this publication has discovered that some of them are DeVere Reuggsger, debate and oratory representative; Ross Calkins, band representative; Carlton Neeland, Glee Club; Margaret Morrison, Cantando Club representative, and Wilbur Snell, Almanian representative.

Such appointments as the above are of interest to the student body. Other proceedings of all-campus nature are also of interest. The members of this great collegiate society should be informed as to the action of their governing body, and these reports can be circulated only through The Almanian. The staff hereby recommends that those in power appoint a reporter who will provide the columns with a clear and complete copy of those parts of the minutes concerning the student body.

Y. M. C. A.

The meeting opened with a few hearty songs. Professor Clack delivered to a large and interested group of fellows the history of the present civil war in China, showing how it all hinges in the events which followed the overthrow of the Mongol dynasty of emperors a few years. Sun Yat Sen, the leader in that revolution, failed to give the Peking government a firm enough footing so that it could control the whole country.

Thus the Peking government has been in constant conflict with the people of the south, who are totally different from the people of the north in language and manners, and with the bandit government of the extreme north. Only the genius of General Wu Pei Fu, the best strategist in China, has prevented thus far the overthrow of the Peking government. General Wu's Christian soldiers are responsible for at least one of his victories.

Professor Clack's talk was indeed interesting.

CAMPUS LOCALS

Due to the fact that there was no game in Alma, a number of the students motored to M. A. C. A crowd of 25,000 spectators saw the Aggies outplay Michigan in every quarter and department of the game.

In a game between two picked teams, one eleven defeated the other by a score of 7 to 0 on Davis Field last Thursday. Woody Lamb starred for the winners. Time and again his line opened holes, and he tore through for gains of eight and ten yards.

There are rumors that Red Carty may play quarter in some of the games this season. Russ Catherman, Wolfe McDonald or Red Carty will call signals against Ypsi Saturday.

The band at Albion is re-organizing. We hope that the new organization will be a good one, and come to Alma for the big game November 8th.

Last Friday evening, while the Alpha Theta girls were dancing and entertaining the new girls, the old girls of Kappa Iota and Philomathean washed up the dirty banquet dishes. Such spirit is to be commended and greatly assists in patching up the differences between the society groups.

FROSH DANCE POSTPONED
 As this edition goes to press, the report comes that the Frosh Dance is still indefinitely postponed. The only positive information received is that it will not take place this week end.

ALPHA THETA DINNER
 For the first time this year Alpha Theta met informally at a dinner held in Wright Hall. The tables were effectively decorated with the society colors, rose and grey. The centerpiece, a rose and grey basket of snapdragons, was later presented to Mlle. Boissot, an Alpha Theta sister. After dinner a short business meeting was held.

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