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SPECIAL MEETINGS

and Afternoon

### ADDRESSES BY

DR. THOMAS OF GRAND RAPIDS

and students of the college during the afraid to break a Wright Hall rule week were entered into with earnest zeal. occassionally—for the sake of the cause. Much interest was manifested throughout I know this is anarchy and rank heresy, the entire week. There were services but we are a safe distance away, and twice each day. The chaple period was Professor Mitchell can say nothing extended for the morning addresses. The anyway. meetings in the afternoon were held from

be accomplished by patient observation mission compound here from a second and practice, taking Jesus as a pattern. destruction by the mob, only because Wednesday morning he spoke on "Worth-lessness and Valuableness." This talk was indeed one that all could put in practice to a good advantage. There in housing over 200 memory and children practice to a good advantage. There was no Wednesday afternoon meeting, but Dr. Thomas gave a very forcible address on "True Men" at the Union prayer-meeting Wednesday evening, which was in charge of Miss Hartness. For his Scripture Lesson Dr. Thomas took the story of Joseph and for his text he took a part of the verse where Joseph's brothers fine site for a \$500 chapel in the heart of out the fact that because one has not opportunity for the work in the city. done the same mean thing another has Victory here has been slow in coming done the same mean thing another has victory here has been slow in coming done is no sign he is a true man. At the same time he is condemning his brother man he may himself be guilty of doing a deed far worse. He further said in order to be a true man one must be a or later win the respect and favor of the new man, and one will never be a new most antanogistic community-from what man until God makes him so. Thursday morning Dr. Thomas spoke on "Seeking Wisdom," and as a basis for his talk he took the book of Eccles-Fro iastes. Thursday afternoon his subject was "Faith." Not, as he said, a faith our life-work with to dir by but a faith to live by. He of such big results. said Faith gave men great power. The But results are greatest dynamo on earth is man plus concrete examples. One of the Christians usual gasp of surprise though teamwork did he make a fine showing at the Inter-teation he pointed out the fact that one who had worked himself up to an im- in a highly developed stage marked the collegiate but his work in all the other must have more than faith in one's self but also faith in a cause. Dr. Thomas gave his last address to the faculty and students Friday morning. This was on the "Power of Choice," and was one that touched each student present and set them to thinking. He brought out the doubleness of man by showing that he might be either the Glory or the Scandal of the Universe. He further said that the man condition. In the meanwhile the boat

### PAUL J. ALLURED.

Lien Chow (via Canton) China, Dec. 27, 1912.

Dear Almayites: If you people now at Alma look forward within the past week: to each issue of the Almanian when you Two Services Daily, Morning are already acquainted with most of the news it prints, you can hardly appreciate how much we enjoy the arrival of each number after traveling over 10,000 miles to find us. My sheepskin is nearly six Dr. T. C. Blaisdell, years old and Mrs. Allured's is nearly Alma, Michig four, but somehow nevertheless notwith- Dear Doctor: standing we still seem as much as ever to enjoy all the "Alma gossip" we can get hold of, and glory more than ever in all of Alma's advances and victories. Here is a WATER good recipe fellows, for a continual supply of wholesome Alma enthusiasm: Bacteria per cc. at room temp.. The special meetings held by the faculty Marry an Alma girl who is not or wasn't

We came up to Lien Chow from Shek

3:15 to 4:00. Monday morning a very enthusiastic lecture was given by Dr. Blaidell on "Winning Souls." As Monday was regis-mountainous region in which to make tration day no meeting was held during our home. More inviting yet is the the afternoon. the attern on. Tuesday morning Dr. Thomas of Grand Rapids talked to the faculty and students on "Progress." His text was 'Jesns the Same Yesterday, Today and Forever.' He pointed out the fact that man's needs were about the same now as needs were about the fact that man's thousands of years ago, and that man's J. L. D. B. Landon, president of the missionaries killed, relating the barenit J. M. C. A., had charge of the meeting for his star for all purposes. J. L. D. B. Landon, president of the missionaries killed, relating the barenit to do well," taking the last four words to for sust. He said that it was of far to do well." This could only the providencially swollen river and the the paracipa case to do evil. This could only that the fourt the fourt the sory of the bile principle part of the city (within the the principle part of the story of the sory of the s

WATER AND MILK AT WRIGHT HALL.

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MILK.

Last Saturday morning Mr. E. A. Thompson called a meeting of the Y. M. C. A., at which time he resigned his office as president. John Landon, the former vice-president, took up the duties layed down by Mr. Thompson. A. C. Edgerton was elected vice-president. At this meeting also the officers for next year were elected as follows, viz.: President, Fred S. Johnson. Vice-President, Milo Hogan. Secretary, Carol Hyde. Treasurer, Archie Maybe.

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THE UKATORICAL

Contest Held in College Chapel Monday Eve., Feb. 3



### CONTEST WAS VERY CLOSE

The annual men's ortorical contest was held in the college chapel Monday evening. Harold V. Wilcox of St. Louis won first place and will represent Alma in one the State Intercollegiate at Adrian. Ione Claude Satterlee and Maurice Cole were the other two participants, and gave Mr. Wilcox a close run.

None Claude W. Satterlee spoke on "The None Price of Progress." It was a masterly Safe exposition of the history of progress and our debt to the laborers of the past whose achievements made possible the present day degree of civilization. He

His closing appeal for a greater mani-festation of the "New Patriotism" which seeks to dethrone the "invisible government" and win for our nation industrial and social justice was indeed a strong one. Mr. Cole has a very good voice and promises to be at the front in oratory.

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he took we arrived, in getting possession of a declare to him that they are not *spies* the city—this will add prestige (an but are *true men.* Dr. Thomas brought important factor) and greatly increased

I have been able to learn, this is amply proven by the history of this station

are proud to have been placed here for quintet two weeks ago and plastered a team. Though he entered this branch our life-work with the prospect ahead

portant office in this district and by his rendition of the game by the future ferule meets was consistent. With a personality efforts to secure peace or justice incurred weilders. Carnahan and Raymond scored which will appeal to all track men and most of the points for Mt. Pleasant which will demand their best efforts was called to Canton on official business Normals, while Hooper with eight baskets Hyde will do his utmost to pilot a winner about three weeks ago. Last week from the six-foot lane and Misenar with at the big Intercollegiate this spring. Mr. Kunkle received this letter from him two from the field, represented Alma with (he studied English in Hong Kong, but tangible figures. Final score, Mt. Pleas- caused by the withdrawal of Marks from hasn't had much chance to keep in practice ant, 30; Alma 10. up here): "Ham Kwong, 19th Dec., 1912. Dear Sir: In the 17th evening this inst. I was in a dead and horrible that was making the right choice was the one who continually was listening to the higher callings and doing their bid-ding. Friday afternoon the closing meet-ing was in charge of Miss Carol Gray. The subject was "Power." Rev. Mason was reached a place of Sam Hop Lou. Continued on page 3

With such an able leader as Mr. Johnson at its head the Y. M. C. A. looks forward to a year of great activity and successfulness.

#### BASKETBALL REVERSE.

Following the orations Paul Austin sang a solo, "Off for Philadelphia." Miss Olive Smith, Prof. F. E. Elsworth and Mr. H. B. Ward were the judges. It was one of the closest contests ever held at the college.

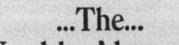
### HYDE CAPTAIN.

Last Monday noon the members of last year's track team elected Carrol Hyde '14 to lead the team next spring. The In a game sharper than tobasco sauce unanimous choice of the team in the elec-Coach Helmer's lusty basketball devotees tion is a fair representation of the sentiatoned for the reverse they had suffered ment of the student body in regard to From all this, do you wonder that we at the hands of the maroon and cream Hyde's selection to captain the track 30 to 10 defeat on the visiting Alma team of sport for the first time last spring he last Friday evening. No plays were was the second highest point winner at But results are best described by perpetrated which caused more than the the Intercollegiate at Albion. Not only Hyde was elected to fill the vacancy

college at the end of last year.

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FROM THE STAFF. It's easy enough to be happy, When nobody kicks on your grammar; But the man worth while

Is the man with the smile

When everyone's out with a hammer.

### GIRL'S ORTORICAL CONTEST.

There's one field of college activity that is gradually taking up more and more of the attention of the co-eds. And well may that be. Barring the freshmen girls' contest in December, we have not listened to an exhibition of oratory by the young women since the early days of Mrs. Sebring's college career.

Debating and oratory are becomingmay we say college sports. And they are given as much support and attention as the regular outdoor athletics. And why not. Long after those gridiron victories are forgotten and the brawn and strength of the athletes is gone, we'll remember our college orators, and—but we digress.

This week brings us one of the attractions of the season in the shape of a woman's oratorical contest to be held in woman's oracorical contest to be held in the college chapel this evening. The participants will be Misses Marion Rounsifer, Marcia Carl, Emily Beach and Ethel Thompson. We hope that the chapel will be filled and that enthusiasm will run high. This promises to be something we cannot afford to miss.

### THE EVENING STAR.

A lonely star is shining

NEWS ITEMS.

Miss Beulah Parr spent the week's end with friends in Bay City.

Frank Hurst of Ann Arbor was a welcome goest at the college a part of last week.

Grant Cook was home over Sunday with his people. Archie Maybe was in Saginaw on busi-

ness a few days last week.

Everyone is glad to see Stubbie Rodgers and "Blowie" Myers back in college again.

Mr. Earle Coleman of Hastings is visiting his sister Anna Wave Coleman.

Margaret Bielby and Alice Kennedy entered college again at the beginning of the second semister.

Miss Della Struthers went to her home \$1.25 in Pontiac Friday to attend the wedding of her sister Marjorie, who is to be married Saturday evening to Mr. Roy Wilkinson.

Rev. C. W. Sidebotham of Brooklin was a welcome guest at the college the fore part of the week.

Dr. Thomas addressed the cabinet members of the Y. W. C. A. Wednesday afternoon at Wright Hall. Mr. Roy Phillips of Shebona has mound his family to Alma and will

moved his family to Alma and will

complete his college course. Miss Beryl Broderick who has been enduring the measles the past week is much better.

Miss Hazle Clark and Miss Mary Rose spent Saturday and Sunday at their homes.

Miss Florence Allen visited her sister Margaret at Wright Hall Thursday of last week.

The Froebel Society held a spread in Wright Hall dining room last Thursday evening. They fully enjoyed the many

things to eat. Miss Vinnie Booth, class '12, visited at Wright Hall Thursday night.

Miss Ruth Hovey who is teaching at Mayville spent the week's end visiting friends in Alma.

Miss Martha Beardsley of Detroit, an academy student here last year, was married last Tuesday to Count Assenhoff of Prague, Austria.

### FRAKER DOING THINGS.

The following news item taken from the Detroit News Tribune, shows that Foster Fraker, '12, is still doing things at Eaton Rapids where he is coaching the high school teams. Eaton Rapids, Mich., Jan. 25-This town has become unusually enthusiastic over basket-ball and record crowds are turning out to all of the games, which is a material change from last year, when it was hard work to get together enough patronage for the games to pay the expenses. The home team is the strongest Eaton Rapids has ever had, and the fact that the boys are winning the games serves a great purpose in keeping up the interest. In the double header games here last night between the boys' and girls' teams of Olivet and Eaton Rapids, the Eaton Rapids boys won by a score of 23 to 11, and the Olivet girls defeated Eaton Rapids by a score of 16 to 11.

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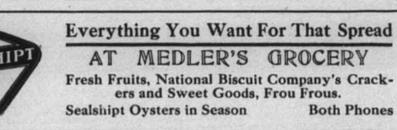
Thus she sees what is her mission, And her duty day by day To forget her own vain longings And bring comfort where she may.

To the youth it brings a vision Of the fame that he may gain, And 'tis well he sees the future With no thought of failure's pain.

So the star beams forth its message Whether hearts be sad or gay, And we look with longing forward To the twilight of each day. -Bertha Hubbell '14.

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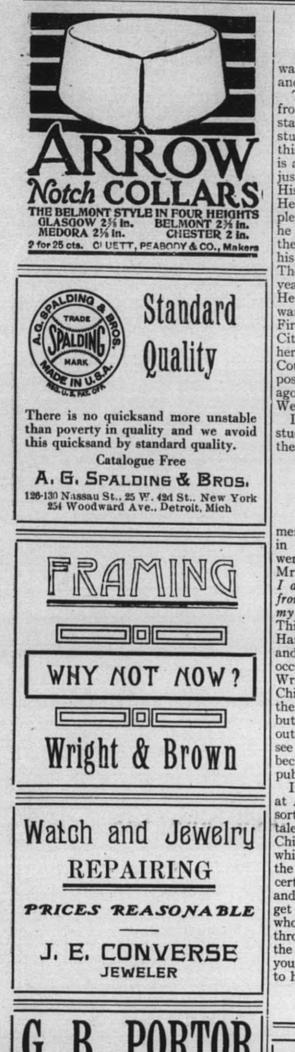
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### SPECIAL MEETINGS.

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was present and gave a very instructive and beneficial talk.

The meetings were a grand success from every standpoint. Dr. Thomas started enthusiasm among the college students that will cause great results in this year's work at Alma. Dr. Thomas is a very kind and sympathetic man and just the one to reach the hearts of students. His field has been one of broad experience. He was born at Bristol, Tenn., completing his common school course there, he went to Sweetwater Millitary School, then to Kings College. Later he took his theological course at McCormick Theological Seminary. He was for two years a Home Missionary in Florida. He was a soldier in the Spanish-American war. After this he became pastor of First Presbyterian Church, at Canon City, Colo., for six years. Resigning here he became secretary of Federal Council of Churches at Denver. This position he held for two years. A year ago he came to Michigan as pastor of the Westminster Church at Grand Rapids.

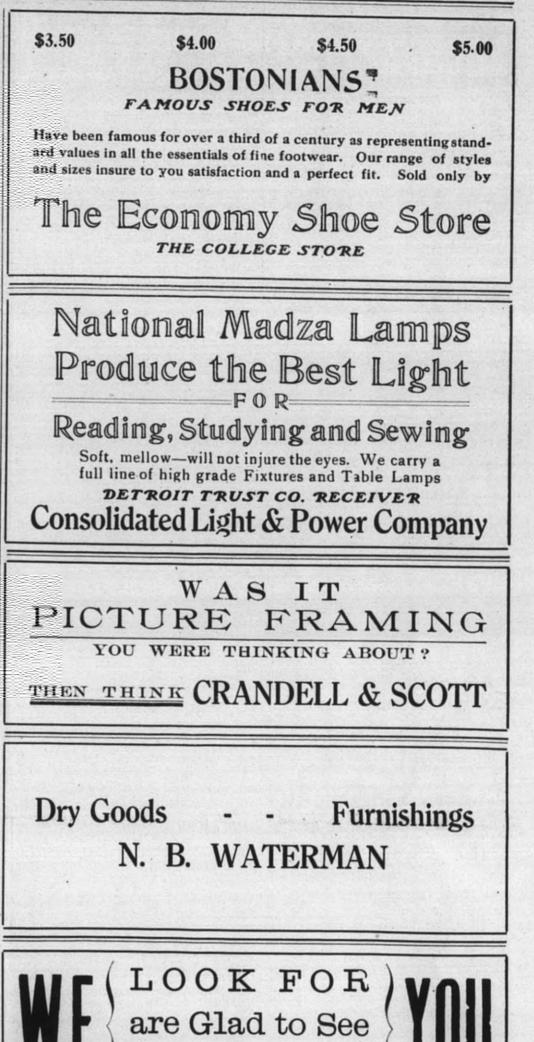
It is the desire of the faculty and students that Dr. Thomas may be with them often.

### PAUL J. ALLURED (continued from page 1)

men were died and seven were wounded in our boat. The other two boats all were massacred by robbers included Mr. Lo (Magistrate of Yeung Than). I am thankful to the Lord who saved me from a danger that I may be waken to devote my life for His holy work in the future. This afternoon our boat will arrive to Ham Kwong so that I write this letter and hope you will glad to hear about my occurrence. Yours truly, Andrew Tse." Written in "English as she is spoke" in China, it is hard for us to appreciate the seriousness and horror of this incident but we expect to see great things grow out of its effect on the man who could see God's hand in it, protecting and beck ning. How much this new republic needs such men of vision now.

public needs such men of vision now. I wish I could help some of you men at Alma, who are still debating in what sort of life-work you could best use your talents, to see the big opportunity in China today for investing every asset which you possess where it will bring the largest returns. That Revolution certainly did revolutionize both things and thoughts. If the Christian forces get busy here *now* there is nothing in the whole program which cannot be carried through—God pity us if we just half do the job. Here's hoping that many of you Alma men or women are privileged to have a part in it. Very sincerely yours,

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### LECTURE ON COMETS.

Not Acquainted.

read a passage from the Bible in Oratory.) day evening in the club's rooms. The "If you would read that Miss Hanel just as though you were acquainted with it, it would be a great deal more effective."

She Found Out. Miss. R.—"Margaret, what makes your hair so red." Miss B.—"Well Marion you see it's

awfully wirery-I got it wet and it rusted."

#### Evening Matters.

Vinnie-(To Jack on returning to the house late one evening.)--"Jack won't

you please sing for me." Jack—"No. I think I had better not. It's so late it might disturb the neighbors."

Vinnie—"Never you mind Jack, they poisoned our dog last week and I'd just like to get even with them."

#### Not Known.

Miss Bishop—"Say Sue, who said, 'Neither a borrower nor a lender be.."

Miss Brown-"I don't know Bess, but it surely wasn't any one who ever lived in Wright Hall."

#### Where They are Found.

Prof. W.--"Mr. Landon, when Shakes-peare wrote about 'Patience on a Monument,' did he mean doctors patients.'

Landon-"No, Protessor, you find them under the monuments: not on them."

Common Occurence. Dr. R.—(In Pedagogy.)—"Can anybody give me an instance of learning

through trial and error.." Miss Hanel—"I usually comb my hair by that method."

Landon-(Indulging in rhapsody.)-"I have drunk the milk of Paradise." Dusty—"Rather strained effect, I should say."

### SOCIETY NOTES.

As the first semester is ended the following literary societies elected new officers for the ensuing semester. The Froebel society elected: President, Margaret Mahoney; Vice-President, Miss Williams; Secretary, Hazel Robbins; Treasurer, Letta Soper.

The Philomatheans elected; President, Ruth Robins; Vice-President, Marion Rounsifer; Secretary, Margaret Hoatson; Treasurer, Isabel Henderson; Reporter, Otha McCracken; Sentinel, Margaret Boag.

The Phi Phi Alphas elected: President, George Brillmyer; Vice-Presi-

On the subject of "Comets," Prof. F. N. Notestein delivered one of the finest lectures ever given before the Prof. Warner. (After Miss Hanel had members of the Science Club Saturmemory of the lecture given by Prof. Notestein last year on a subject much similar brought out a large representation of members and they were rewarded by hearing an even more remarkable address than the one delivered last year.

> Exhibiting at various points in the lecture stereopticon views of famous comets, the Professor traced the history of the wandering bodies from the time when the ancients saw in their ramblings the end or continuation of the earth, to the very time when modern scientists had the opportunity of following with minute accuracy the route of Halley's flying satellite. He told of the peculiar apprehensions of the classics in regard to the movement of comets and their interpretations of the awful event; of the industry of the Egyptian stonecutters in portraying their periodic appearances on indestructible canvas, and of the modern analytical method of treatment.

As he traced the life story of each comet a graphic representation was thrown on the screen and the hearers gained an indelible impression of the body. The work of preparing the plates was done almost entirely .by the Professor and his son so that it gave an added interest to the pictures.

Some of the interesting facts brought out by the lecture in regard to the size and length. He pointed out that the dimensions of the earth proved entirely too inadequate to apply to the estimated measurements of the comets. In part he said, "The essential part of a comet is the coma. It is always present and gives the comet its name. It is a hazy cloud of shining matter from 10,000 to 1,-000,000 miles in diameter. The most remarkable thing about the coma is that it usually contracts as the comet approaches the sun and expands as it recedes from the sun. Next is the nucleus, which is not present in all comets. It is a bright, more or less star-like point near the center of the coma. The necleus is usually from about 100 miles, the smallest that can dent, Milo Hogan; Secretary, Ralph be seen, to 8,000 miles in diameter. Chisholm; Treasurer, Arden John- Most comets are provided with one



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