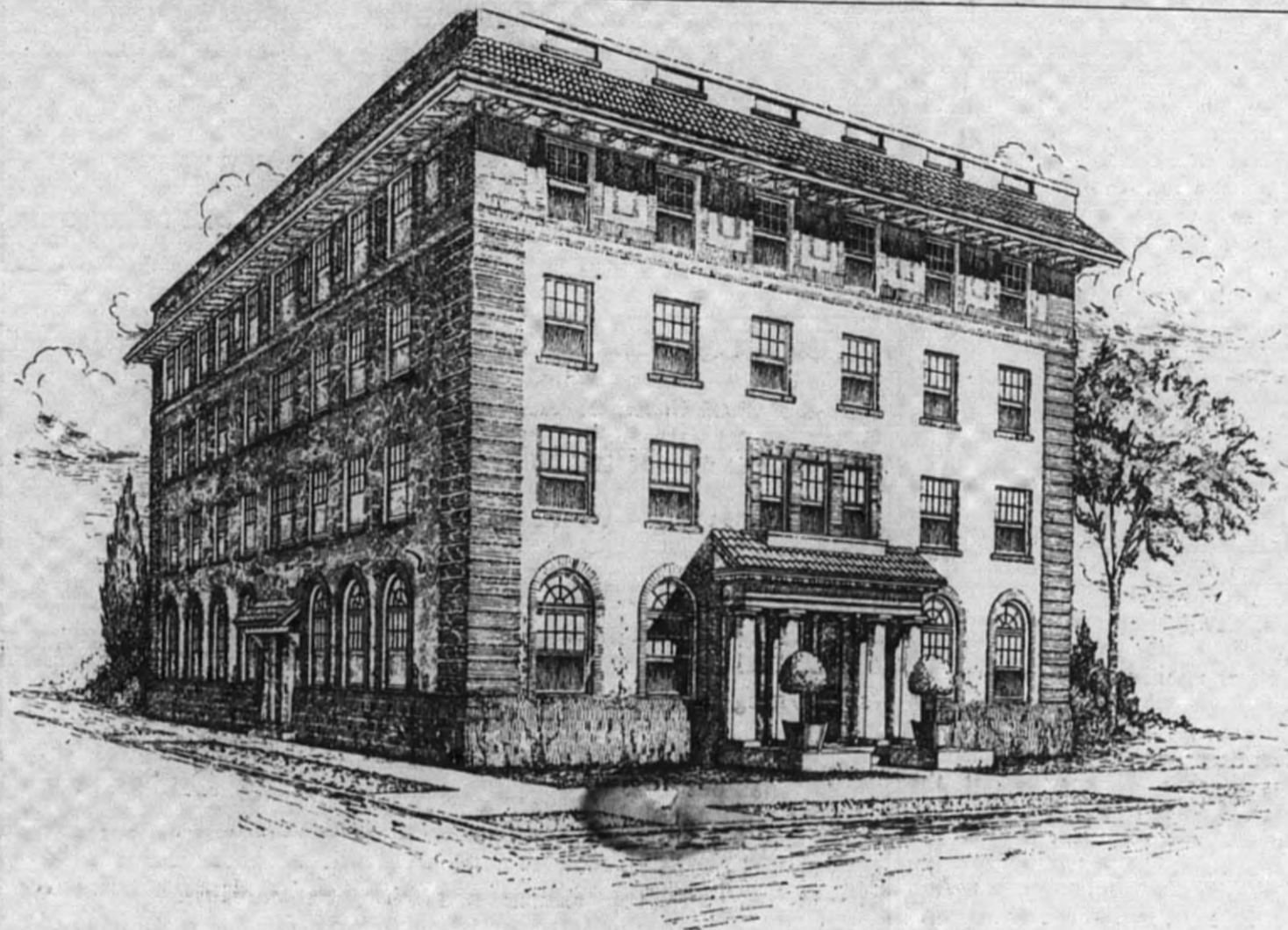


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JACKSON Y. W. C. A.

MISS LOUISE STANGE.

One of Alma's graduates who is deserving of praise for the accomplishment of a great work in a short time is Miss Louise T. Stange '05 in her work of a year and a half as General Secretary of the Y. W. C. A., at Jackson. Miss Stange began her work in the Jackson Association in September, 1911, and at that time there was a practically unorganized group of workers with a building less than half completed, and several thousand dollars yet to be raised to finance the movement. In one year from that time the Y. W. C. A. moved into a completed building and now a few months after the opening of the magnificent building the organization is making itself felt as a factor in the life of the womanhood of the whole city of Jackson. The Association is doing a practical work for young women through its dormitory, its cafeteria, gymnasium, and other facilities, as well as the definite religion and educational advantages that are offered. A quotation from the 1912 report of the rooming department gives a fine idea of the attitude of the Association towards the young woman who is a stranger within the city. It reads, "It is the policy of the department to give first place to the girl who comes to the city a stranger and whose earnings are small. No girl is turned away who applies for a night's lodging so long as there is a couch available." On September 1, 1912 there was a membership of less than 100 and on January 1, 1913, the membership had grown to 947 with the 2,000 mark as the goal for this present year. In this work Miss Strangé has shown herself an executive not only through what she has accomplished personally but by the manner in which she has bound the organization together into a unit of her broad and efficient service.

For the management of the different departments she has gathered

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OPENING RECEPTION.

The second Semester opening is past history. Last Saturday evening found the students of Alma, enjoying themselves and each other in the Big Reception room at Wright Hall, and more particularly in the numerous cozy corners which a kind committee had previously arranged in every conceivable place. The faculty sent numerous representatives, and out of town guests, friends of the little "College on the Hill" came to add to the good cheer.

On the whole, the affair was very informal. Without programs, the grand march was announced as was the Virginia Reel, the eats, and last but not least the very program furnished by a few of Alma's talented elect.

This program consisted of a piano solo by Miss Florence Hammond, vocal solo by the Misses Netzorg and Fuller. Then Prof. Veatch read for us. Few of the students were aware that Prof. Veatch had the accomplishment of impersonation and reading added to his musical talent. In his two readings, he won the highest approval of the student body.

Reluctantly the "Steadies," new, old and those for the time only, withdrew from the cozy corners and all that that meant to them, bade good night to their hostess, and departed.

They all declare that this reception was different from former ones and also very pleasant.

Y. M. C. A.

A series of debates are to take place in the Y. M. C. A., on certain questions confronting young men of colleges today.

This is a new plan in the Y. work, but a great interest has already been manifested, and undoubted much good will be derived from it.

DR. A. F. BRUSKE.

Progressive as Ever.

The Holland Daily Sentinel brings us the following note of Dr. Bruske: "Speaking on the subject, 'This Church and the Sick,' Rev. A. F. Bruske delivered a strong appeal in Hope church for the building of a hospital in Holland. Dr. Bruske urged the congregation of Hope church to take the initiative in this work. He declared that Hope church is a representative of Holland's population, since people of all classes, rich, poor, Hollander and American worship there. He suggested that the church give a vacant lot they owned just back of the church on which to erect the hospital. This, said Dr. Bruske, would be an ideal and beautiful place for it.

Moreover, Dr. Bruske declared that 'Hope Hospital' would be an ideal name for it. He said 'Hope' was an ideal name for a college and a church, but there was an added significance in the word for a hospital.

Dr. Bruske urged the people to take up this work, declaring that Hope needed a hospital so they would not have to take her patients to Grand Rapids. He stated that nearly every city in Michigan of the size of Hope had its own hospital.

Dr. Bruske bewailed the fact that fifteen thousand dollars that was donated for a city hospital last year should have been returned to the donors. He urged Hope church, in view of the failure of the plan last year, to take the first step and make the work part of the activities of that church."

LINCOLN'S DAY.

Dr. Blaisdell gave a stirring talk in chapel Wednesday morning on "Lincoln as a Christian Man." He pointed out that much of Lincoln's success was due to careful meditation and prayer.

THE ORATORICAL

Contest Held in College Chapel
Monday Eve., Feb. 10th

ETHEL G. THOMPSON WINS

Miss Carl Carries off Second Honors

One of the greatest attractions of the college year was the ladies oratorical contest held in the college chapel, Monday evening. Miss Ethel Thompson, of Elkton, Mich., was the successful contestant, who also won the Freshman contest earlier in the year. She will represent Alma in the State Intercollegiate at Adrian, March 7. Miss Marcia A. Carl took second honors closely followed by Miss Emily Beach and Miss Marion Rounsifer. The program started at seven o'clock with a vocal solo by Wade I. Frost.

Miss Beach spoke on, "The Age of Opportunities." She took up the conditions in China, India, Japan, Africa and America, and plainly showed how this age is indeed above any other, an age of opportunities. She closed with a strong appeal, to live up to the opportunities of the day, throwing your lives where they count most. If this is done, "All the Nations of the world would be united through the brotherhood of men in the 'Kingdom of God.'" Miss Beach in her oration showed she had a good understanding of the subject.

Next, Miss Marcia A. Carl delivered a splendid oration on "Frances E. Willard." She spoke of how Frances Willard, with her high ideals, constantly inspired lives to nobler purposes and helped to uplift those with whom she came in daily touch. She further spoke of how she lived not for self but for others, and how her principal aim was to serve and to save mankind. She closed with a thrilling appeal that the greatest need of the world today was men and women who could stand and say with Frances Willard that they "hate the sin, but love the sinner."

She was followed by Miss Thompson who had for her subject, "Abraham Lincoln."

Miss Thompson very clearly brot out that service to the world and humanity was the highest standard of life. Her closing appeal for more men with such heart lives, to be of service to the oppressed and to the nation was a winning one.

The last orator was Miss Rounsifer, whose subject was, "The Meaning of Success." She pointed out that true success, was not, as some think, gaining riches, but rather was doing the duty lying nearest to you; doing your duty by your country and to all mankind, and prove yourself there by a civilized man. She also said that the greatest men have been those who have cut their way to success through difficulties.

In closing she appealed to men to realize that "true success" was doing the duty next you and leaving the rest to develop itself.

The ladies' literary societies attend-

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CORNER ON DATES.

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February 21, Bay City Times at Alma.
February 27, Alma at Olivet.
February 28, Alma at Albion.

Y. W. & Y. M. C. A.

Y. W. C. A. Sunday, February 23, World's day of prayer for colleges will be observed.
Y. M. C. A. Sunday, 8:15 A. M. Leader, Clarence Goodrich.
Union prayer meeting Wednesday evening, February 19. Leader, Miss Clara Hanel. Topic—"Christ and Labor."
February, 25, 26, Miss Robinson of the Toronto University will visit Alma in the interest of the Student Volunteer Movement.

1913 BASEBALL.

The truth about the whole baseball situation at Alma college is simple. It is very simple. For the unbiased fact of the matter is, that providing H. R. H. The Jinx doesn't interfere with a toll of accidents, et al., Alma will again prove its undisputed supremacy on the diamond. With eight men of varsity caliber and experience, together with perfect harmony and mutual confidence, the question of Alma's chances on the baseball field this spring assume a likeness to the mathematical term "reductio ad absurdum."

"Blondy" Myers, captain elect and easily the best twirler in collegiate circles throughout the commonwealth, is one of the chief causes of the simplicity of the situation. Along with the peerless leader comes Walter Vogt, a battery partner who helps to make "Freddie" the terror to sundry colleges and universities in Michigan; Brilmyer, first sacker for the seasons of '11 and '12 and Roy Phillips of the teams of '09 and '10; a prodigal son who returns after two years absence; Ex. Captain Rogers, the most zealous keystone sack guardian in the Intercollegiate, who will appear this season in his official capacity. Clarence Goodrich will answer "present" to every ball that comes between the second and third base. And with the exception of Pohly the outfield is heartily intact. For the reputation which Alma has always had for efficient outfielders is well sustained by Wood and McCloy. But the loss of Pohly will be felt, for it was his speed and unerring fielding which made him one of the best that Alma has ever sent forth.

Simenton, the quiet terror who has inhabited the bunt infected district

was compelled to leave school because of business reasons and his departure leaves a vacancy hard to fill. Simenton was an exceptional fielder and a consistent hitter and Coach Bleamaster will have a heavy duty in finding a man his equal to guard the third base for this season. It is his intention to return next year so that his loss to the team will not be permanent.

Hyde, the other veteran who makes up the complement of the team will devote all his time to the track team of which he is captain.

Underclass men and freshmen with records of good thorough work in high school or on second team baseball are out for the remaining positions and should they sustain prep. reputations they should make good. Rushmore, Yerex and Brinkman, stand out most prominently.

Hours of practice have been assigned and the men are hard at work.

NEWS ITEMS.

The Misses Marguerite O' Donald and June Collins spent Saturday and Sunday at their homes in Howard City, and had as their guest, Miss Madeline Reynolds.

Miss Caroline Robinson and her sister, Miss Ruth spent the week end with friends in Saginaw.

Miss Joyce Fairweather has been visiting Miss Crossen in McBain for the last few days.

Miss Rosalie Netzorg spent the week end at her home in Elsie.

Miss Mary Rose spent a few days at her home in Ashley last week.

Miss Gladys Bond went to Ann Arbor Friday noon for a short visit with her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Macauley of Detroit, were guests of Miss Ethel Moore last week at Wright hall.

Miss Hazel Crosby spent part of last week with friends at Wright hall.

Mr. E. A. Thompson was about the Campus a part of the week.

"Sandy" Duncan was calling on friends here last Tuesday.

Dr. T. C. Blaisiell was in Detroit a part of last week and spoke at the annual meeting of the Y. W. C. A. Wednesday evening.

William Baker, of M. A. C. was a college visitor over Sunday and attended the Phi Phi banquet.

Miss Bess Bishop is sick at her home in Charlotte.

In mention of the meetings which were held last week at the college the Sunday consecration service was omitted. A number have spoken this week about it and said they received a great deal of good from it, especially from the talk on "Prayer" given by Dr. Clizbe.

Because it is impossible for Miss Smith, the harpist to travel from Kansas to Alma in twenty-four hours her concert has been postponed to 8:30, Thursday evening. Miss Smith will give her favorite "Story of the Harp" in Grecian concert.

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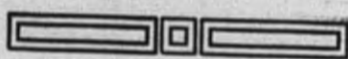
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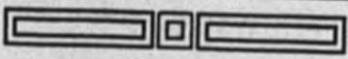
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MISS LOUISE STANGE

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about a corps of secretaries whose ability compares favorably with those of any association in the country and in this, too, she has shown the marks of true leadership.

The Jackson Y. W. C. A. in its beginning has chosen well in selecting Miss Strange to inaugurate the various activities and those of us who were in Alma during her student days know well that if the Association will remain true to the character of its present leader it will go down through the years a blessing to the womanhood of that city.

SWEATERS PRESENTED.

Last Wednesday morning during the chapel exercises the football squad were presented with "A" sweaters which were a gift to the fellows from the townspeople and friends of the college. Those who were awarded sweaters are: Ex-Capt. Johnson, Capt. elect Wood, Edgerton, Misenar, Von Thurn, Vogt, Van Dusen, Goodrich, H. Schultz, W. Schultz, Austin, Anderson, Goetz, Henning, Yerex and Hyde.

As has formerly been the custom, the President of the college made the presentation speech. Before making the speech he read a portion of the 10th chapter of Luke, where it speaks of the laborer being worthy of his hire.

As the fellows went forth to receive the sweaters they were greeted with great applause by the student body. Alma will not soon forget what this team did for her last fall. Service stripes were given to the seniors for the first time.

TWILIGHT.

Softly the shadows are stealing
Over land and sea,
Gently too, they are bringing
Rest to you and me.

Darker and darker 'tis growing
The shore no more I see.
The light from the distant windows
Are seeming to becom me.

But in the sky above me
Twinkles a lonely star,
Which gives to me a message
Of love and peace from afar.
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Miss Bielby—“Yes, Rosile, but you can go on playing just the same.”

The Old Story.

Billy—“Peggy, am I the very first fellow you ever loved?”

Peggy—“Of course. How tedious you men are, you all ask the same question.”

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Eph.—“Don't you ever sweep under the rug, Mrs. Spaulding?”

Mrs. S.—“Yes, sir; I always sweep everything under the rug.”

Force of Habit.

Joe (entering a restaurant just after preaching a sermon)—“A steak, please, waiter.”

Waiter—“How will you have it?”

Joe—“Well done, thou good and faithful servant.”

Prof. M.—“Voltaire says any fool can get rich.”

Creaser to Brilmyer—“I wonder if he is hinting on me.”

LADIES' ORATORICAL.

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ed in bodies and much society spirit was manifested. Rev. J. Frank Jackson, Mr. L. A. Sharp, and Rev. J. W. Priest were the judges. While they were rendering their decision, Miss Fuller favored the audience with a vocal solo.

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BASKETBALL.

One, Hansom by name, exhibiting the customary 57 varieties of basketball, abetted by four other pastimers who are unusually popular around Traverse City and environs, won a hard earned victory over Alma's hopes Thursday night by the score 27 to 10. This gentleman with the Heinz personality, with scarcely a whimper, amassed 19 of his team's 27 points and had a controlling interest in the teamwork.

A total lack of appreciation on the part of Referee Collier of the advance of science in regard to optical appliances, wrought woe to Alma's chances. Coach Bleamaster was chief arbiter in the last half and was entirely satisfactory to everyone.

W. Schultz, who cavorted about during the last half played a fine game. Brief, a well advertised local hero, played a well appointed game.

Final score; Needham's 27, Alma, 10.

GRAND RAPIDS "Y" REPEATS.

Scampering about in familiar haunts and exhibiting a galaxy of good, fast basket-ball, the sturdy band from the Y. M. C. A. at Grand Rapids, jammed another dent in Alma's battle scarred record and won the second game of the series by the score of 53 to 13. Like Togo, the tale is short. The "Y" showed for but less aggressiveness. W. Schultz quavered not a bit and commanded vociferous recognition.

Final score—Alma, 13, Grand Rapids "Y" 53.

WELL ENTERTAINED.

On Thursday afternoon the class in musical appreciation spent a very pleasant and profitable hour and a half at Mr. Bennett's ice cream parlor listening to a large number of records from grand opera. The concert embraced selections from the best known operas sung by the leading operatic artists of the world. The class appreciated Mr. Bennett's generosity and extended him a rising vote of thanks after the concert.

This event marks the close of the time to be spent on the opera. The class will next take up the study of the oratorio. The program Thursday included among many others the following well known selections: Jewel Song from Gunod's Faust, sung by Sembrich; Rudolf's Narrative from Puccinni; La Boheme, sung by Zerola; Death Scene from Puccinni; Madame Butterfly, sung by Geraldine Farrar; Mad Scene, Donizetti's Lucia, sung by Michaelowa; Toreador Song from Bizet's Carmen, sung by Pasquale Amato.

WEIGHTY MATTER.

Lately great and massive questions have arisen which tax the meager intellect found in the Almanian person and the weightiest of these are offered for competitive answering.

Why should Edgerton order a sweater of nearly the same size as Goetz or Vogt?

Why Bahlke's modest gait?

Why Cole's modesty?

And then too, why Friedman's debonair air and Humpsch' sotto voce?

But then one can hardly tell; college credits can't be given for such things.

COUNTY INSTITUTE.

A number of the students had the pleasure of attending the Gratiot County Teachers' Institute, held in the College chapel, Tuesday. Very interesting lectures were given by Mr. Corson of Columbus, Ohio, and Prof. Roberts of Ypsilanti.

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