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## LOSE IN BASE BALL ALMA WINS M. I. A. A. TRACK AND FIELD MEET

### Alma Drops Her Best Game of the Year at M. I. A. A. Finals

#### HILLSDALE CHAMPIONS

#### McCloy Pitches Great Game But Loses by the Score of 2 to 1.

With "Lefty" McCloy on the mound hurling one of the best games of his career Alma went down to defeat in the second game of the Intercollegiate finals by the score of 2 to 1 against Hillsdale; which team ultimately won the title of M. I. A. A. champions. The little south paw was in grand form allowing few hits. A little sharper fielding on the part of his comrades would have given him the victory but as usual the errors came at most inopportune moments and Alma went down to a defeat. Six hits did the team from the southern school secure off the Alma man and over that number whiffed before his array of curves.

Though not the cause of defeat the fact that the Alma men were compelled to start playing fifteen minutes after they stepped off the Interurban following a five hour ride had a great deal to do with the loose fielding which Alma exhibited. From this cause also the hitting was away below par and Rennie escaped from a sound wallop which was due him.

Simenton on third and Phillips at first played good baseball and snatched all things which came their way including some odorous decisions from the umpire. Jenkins of Hillsdale collected a couple of hits and caught a good game.

The Hillsdale fiasco was the last one of the season, which is happily closed. The less said about it is better all the way round. The hitting in spots shown by the maroon has never been excelled by any Intercollegiate team, but their fielding was spelled with a triple pianissimo on the initial letter.

Although the election of the 1914 baseball captain has not been held, it is a foregone conclusion that Bryson "Lefty" McCloy the best all round baseball player that Alma has ever had will be chosen the leader. For three years of Intercollegiate baseball and one of outside games McCloy has been the best hitter, most consistent fielder on the team, and for the past season the most consistent and effective pitcher that Alma has had since the palmy days of "Sandy" Duncanson. When all others on the team were soaring into the four dimensions of the great firmament "Lefty" was always found serene and smiling sticking to his job.

Most of the men will be back next year so that with that nucleus a baseball team will be collected next season which will sweep the state clean of all opponents.

Oscar Anderson, H. V. Wilcox, Mr. Hodge, Archie Maybe, "Tar" Robinson, John Landon and "Steve" Nesbit were in Albion to the M. I. A. A. meet, who together with the ladies made a rousing bunch of rooters for Alma's men.

Unheralded and unsung, the Alma college track team, headed by Coach Bleamaster, swooped down upon Albion last Friday and carried off the Intercollegiate track championship for 1913, and finished the most successful season that any Alma track team has ever had. Not only is it the first time that the Maroon and Cream has floated from the top of the mast at the end of the M. I. A. A. festivities but it found Alma the only college besides M. A. C. and Olivet which has ever won the championship.

The final result proved to the utmost the success of the Coach's purpose and his aim throughout the spring, i. e. that Alma should be represented by a balanced track team with men in every event, rather than a couple of stars with a few badly trained second men. In every event Alma was represented at Albion with a possible point winner. In all but two Alma scored points. In these Captain Hyde encountered old man Jinx in his most virulent form and with a fair whirl of the wheel of fortune would have counted at least four more points. Alma captured five firsts, three seconds and five thirds. The meet was won for the maroon and cream by the time that the mile relay was called for, so that in view of the condition of the runners, it was decided to leave it for the rest of the teams to scrap over. Had Chisholm, Knowlton, Schultz and Cook been running anywhere near their usual speed the tape would have been broken by an Alma-man. But except for a few medals the result of the relay was of little consequence.

The crowd was the largest that has ever attended a track meet and they were not disappointed in the keenness of the competition or the quality of the work on the part of the athletes. The first day saw two records broken officially and two more which should have been allowed but were missed because of the absolute stupidity of the officials. The meet suffered somewhat from the inefficiency of the timers et al.

Inasmuch as Alma scored in nearly every event they will be taken up individually.

120 yard high hurdles. Hyde never ran a prettier or faster high stick race in his life. From the first to the last hurdle it was a battle between him and Dickerson of Hillsdale for first place. The latter finally pulled out ahead. Two hurdles were knocked over by the Alma captain and the wind kindly assisted another to its downfall so that he was disqualified. Schultz came in strong on the finish and took third. Dickerson H, 1st. Miller, H, 2nd. Schultz, A, 3rd. Time, 17 1-5.

Broad Jump. Field of Albion smashed the Intercollegiate record, with a wonderful flight through the atmosphere. Milton Jackson scored third with a pretty jump. Of all the contestants entered he got the most out of his ability, and with more work under Bleamaster will beat all comers in this jump.

100 yard dash. All things considered the hundred yard dash which

Chisholm won in one fifth of a second over the record was the best track or field performance of the whole meet. The track was heavy, and a biting wind blew across the field tightening muscles and causing discomfiture all the way round. For months our eyes have suffered aggravated dilation from reading newspaper predictions of Madison's coming victories in all the dashes as well as the hurdles. Four firsts were generously allotted him by enthusiastic but harmful supporters. The century journey was his first setback. Walker of Kazoo and Chisholm stepped form their marks together, both getting perfect starts. From the ten-yard mark the Alma man took the lead and was never headed. Chisholm A, 1st. Walker K, 2nd. Bramble K, 3rd. Time 10 1-5.

Mile Run. Ten men started in the long ramble and none of them could get away for a healthy start. All of them waited until the last two laps before opening up. From then to the finish it was a triple scrap between Wheatley, Cook and Coldren. The latter trailed until the last thirty yards and with a rush finished ahead with a five yard lead. The time was fairly good considering the wind and the interference given some of the runners by others inexperienced. Coldren H, 1st. Cook A, 2nd. Wheatley Alb, 3rd. Time, 4-44.

Pole Vault. Traver of Olivet tipped over Kefgen's old record in the pole vault by about an inch. Frazer and Tweedie of Albion tied at ten feet. Hyde nearly scaled that distance but tickled the bar with too much animation.

High Jump. Five feet three and three quarter inches was just a trifle too far for other jumpers and at that height Jackson of Alma won first place. But for this lanky leaper it was merely an appetizer. Per. instructions from Coach Bleamaster the bar was elevated four more inches, making a half inch above the record. On his second attempt Jackson sailed over the stick with inches to spare. Before an accurate measurement could be made the bar was touched, though not moved, and the referee would not allow the mark. Jackson A, 1st. Bramble K, Jones Alb, and Champion O, tied for second place. Height, 5,3 3-4.

220 low hurdles. Madison of Albion scored his first, last and only win by capturing this event. Harry Schultz was a few yards behind him and a full hurdle ahead of the next man when the last stick was reached. At this point old man Jinx hobbled from under the grandstand and grabbed his fleeting foot and shoved it against the hurdle. Schultz suffered a fall which would make most men think about the last visit of the life insurance circular, but with a surly glance at mother earth he arose and continued to the tape. Had he not lost a shoe in his handshake with the cinders he would have finished an easy third in spite of his nasty tumble.

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## WAS GREAT SUCCESS

### Open House at Wright Hall May 31 Was Best Ever

#### MAKES A GREAT HIT

#### Under the Supervision of Miss Clara Hanel Who Deserves Much Credit.

On Saturday night, May 31, Wright Hall donned all her gala attire to welcome strangers and friends and guests to the one big event of the year—open house. Clara Hanel, as chairman of the day, is certainly to be congratulated for her systematic planning, which brought about the successful outcome of that event. At first an informal reception was held, then everyone was taken upstairs to inspect rooms. What they beheld were rooms as fresh and clean as though it were the first of the school year instead of the very end. None would have wondered at the results had they seen the residents of the hall spending hours beating rugs, washing curtains, and scrubbing floors. Not a speck of dust was left anywhere.

After the entire building had been inspected, the program was given on the beautiful porch, turned into a woodland by green boughs and a mysterious wigwam placed in the shadows. Then from the front lawn the pleased audience listened to the story of "Hiawatha" as Clara Hanel read the poem in her charming way and as real true Hiawatha and Minnehaha, with Indian warriors and squaws surrounding them, acted out the different scenes. The porch lights cast a soft glow on the actors, and the Japanese lanterns strung about the lawn and the bright stars and moon o'er head gave an effective setting to the whole. Ethel Moore and Bess Bishop could have thought of no more appropriate an entertainment.

Next the company were refreshed with huge dishes of ice cream piled high with crushed strawberries and wafers. Florence Henderson and June Collins, as joint chairmen of the refreshment committee surely showed their ability in preparing good "eats" for a crowd. During the evening, many learned for the first time of their future as revealed by Miss Albertson, a fortune teller of wide experience in Alma college, when the guests departed, they appreciated the fact that a perfect evening had been granted for Wright Hall's open house.

Miss Mullenbach has been elected to the chair of Modern Languages at Christian College (for women) at Columbia, Mo. She will have charge of the work in both languages and will teach the German. This is one of the older women's colleges of the West, being founded in 1851 and is affiliated with the State University also located in Columbia. Knowing the efficient work Miss Mullenbach did in building up this department in Alma college it is evident that she will be a strong member of the faculty of that college.

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**ALMA WINS TRACK MEET**

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ble. Madison Alb, 1st. Harwood H, 2nd. Wheatley Alb, 3rd. Time 26 3-5.

880 yard Run. Reynolds of Hillsdale took the lead from the gun and held it for most of the race. With Rider of Olivet and Cook of Alma he jogged the last lap far ahead of the field of ten runners.

At the straightaway, Cook took the lead and held it to the finish while Rider with a game finish beat out the Hillsdale man. Cook A, 1st. Rider O, 2nd. Reynolds H, 3rd. Time, 2 min. 9 sec.

220 yard dash. By the time that the two twenty yard sprint was reached Chisholm was pretty well exhausted with preliminaries, finals, etc., and with difficulty could stay in his lane in the race. Walker nosed him out in a great race and the little speed king was content with second. Though a fine race to watch it was shaded with thrills by the one which soon followed. Walker K, 1st. Chisholm A, 2nd. Bramble K, 3rd. Time 24 sec.

440 yard dash. Madison of Albion secured the lead in the quarter mile sprint at the turn of the track and held it around first bend. Here, Bramble of Kazoo with a beautiful stride and lots of speed back of it took the lead. He never relinquished it until the end of the race. Chisholm all the way up the straightaway, and had he not been boxed in by the Albion captain who was fast weakening he could have passed the Kazoo speeder. However he defeated the incomparable "Maddy" who has been the bugaboo for about thirty editions of the state papers. Bramble K, 1st. Chisholm A, 2nd. Madison Alb, 3rd. Time 52 sec.

16 lb. shot. Edgerton celebrated his return to the Intercollegiate track and field meet by taking his pet event with consummate ease. Alma followers were hoping that he would finish his athletic career with hanging up a record but the weather was so cold that it was impossible. Several times he has beaten the mark of 39 feet 1 inch in practice, but Mr. Weatherman said "Nay." "Ole" won third in the shot put though he came several feet behind his usual marks in practice. Edgerton A, 1st. Rider O, 2nd. Anderson A, 3rd. Distance 36 feet 8 1/2 inches.

Discus Throw. Rider of Olivet showed his true form in the old Greek event and captured it with little trouble. On a good day the crimson leader would have set a mark for M. I. A. A. which would have stood the acid test of time. His teammate, Champion, grabbed second while "Eph" easily took third. More than all others the Alma foot-

ball captain was affected with the sparsity of temperature. His practice heaves have beaten his Intercollegiate mark by several meters. Rider O, 1st. Champion O, 2nd. Johnson A, 3rd. Distance 115 feet 1 inch.

Javelin Throw. The Norwegian stunt which has been taken up by the Intercollegiate was considered by many to be the prettiest event of the meet. Olivet had won this event with ease in every Sunday paper for six months. At the Intercollegiate a real javelin was thrown and strange to say, Olivet secured one point instead of eight. On six throws Misener bettered his mark every time and was the only man not to make a foul. All that was incidental to his last throw which will undoubtedly be the mark for some years to come. Three weeks ago when Olivet was adding up their points to be scored in the Intercollegiate meet Coach Bleamaster very modestly predicted that Misener would beat his nearest competitor by ten feet. Apologies are in order, for he only beat him nine feet six inches. Misener A, 1st. Edwards Alb, 2nd. Rider O, 3rd. Distance 144 feet 6 inches.

Two mile Run. Though expecting to crumple up the existing two mile Coldren fell down in the attempt and even failed to win first place. Leavenworth was the real surprise of the meet. With lots of vitality left and with a good sprint he finished about fifty yards ahead of Coldren. Wilson was beaten by the Hillsdale captain by a yard or two but grabbed off a point for Alma in the gamiest exhibition of nerve in the meet. Leavenworth O, 1st. Coldren H, 2nd. Wilson Alb, 3rd. Time 10 min. 26 sec.

Mile Relay Run. Alma was the favorite for this race but as the meet was already won and nothing was to be gained the team took the train for home and left the crumbs for the hoi polloi.

This is the outlook for next year, as told us by Olivet, Kazoo, Hillsdale, Albion and spectators. "With Bleamaster as Coach Alma will win the Intercollegiate track and field championship in 1914 by a larger score

To Coach Bleamaster is due the greatest credit for Alma's best track team in her history. To him is due the greatest honor for the conditioning of a team which defeated the strongest opponents the M. I. A. A. colleges have ever seen since the June games. For three months the team which carries the colors of the Maroon and Cream has been faithfully and skilfully trained and disciplined; and their victories in two dual meets and the big June classic at Albion is proof of their won work under such training. Not a detail of track coaching has escaped his vigilant care. For no one would or could the men of the 1913 team have worked harder or more conscientiously. Beside the Coach every afternoon has been Captain Hyde advising, correcting and instructing the men. No man on the team ran as a game race as did the Alma leader in the hurdles at the Intercollegiate. His exhibition at Albion was the result of the same thorough training which he has required of his men.

Never has Alma spirit been such a factor in an athletic victory as it was at Albion. Minus the noisy exhibition of lung capacity so obnoxious to true sportsmen the support given by the Alma contingent in the meet was the finest, and was somewhat of a revelation to the other school representatives. Twenty-five loyal sports cheering for the Maroon and Cream athletes was a big source of encouragement, to say the least.

Miss Cook and Miss Ritter composed Alma's tennis team and both did extra good work of which Alma college is truly proud.

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**COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM.**

**Saturday, June 14.**  
8:00 p. m.—Piano recital. Miss Theo. Amsbury, assisted by Mr. Glenn Y. Warner, reader.  
**Sunday, June 15.**  
10:00 a. m.—Farewell Communion at the Presbyterian church. Rev. W. H. Mason, pastor; assisted by Rev. Donald Carmichael, '01.  
3:00 p. m.—Address before the Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A.. Rev. Donald Carmichael.  
7:30 p. m.—Baccalaureate address. Subject, "A Living or a Life?" President Thomas C. Blaisdell, Ph. D.  
**Monday, June 16.**  
9:00 a. m.—Final Chapel service.  
3:00 p. m.—Graduating exercises of Kindergarten School.  
8:00 p. m.—Class Day exercises.  
**Tuesday, June 17.**  
10:00 a. m.—Exhibition of Department of Expression.  
2:00 p. m.—Artist and Orchestra concert.  
3:30 p. m.—Baseball game—Alumni vs College.  
8:00 p. m.—Presentation of Oratorio "Elijah," by chorus, orchestra and artists.  
**Wednesday, June 18.**  
Alumni Day.  
10:00 a. m.—Piano Recital, Miss Florence Rozema.  
3:00 p. m.—Presentation of "Pinafore" at Realty opera house.  
7:30 p. m.—Annual Senior promenade on the campus.  
8:30 p. m.—President's reception at his home.  
**Thursday, June 19.**  
Commencement Day.  
10:00 a. m.—Unveiling of Memorial tablet in honor of Mr. Ammi W. Wright.  
Commencement address by Rev. Charles A. Lippincott, D. D.  
Presentation of diplomas, state certificates and awarding honors.  
1:00 p. m.—Commencement luncheon at Wright Hall.

**BASE BALL**

The Ithaca Independent team took a bad beating from Voght's men on Friday by the score of 12 to 6. McCloy with six clean hits and a motley crew of other accomplishments during nine innings of baseball was the real spotlight consumer of the afternoon.  
A major league crowd filled the large grandstand and nearly drowned out Alma's fourteen rooters.  
The afore-mentioned "Fairgrove Archibald" was the mound preceptor for the visitors and he held the vigorous Ithacians well in hand.  
By the score of 7 to 0 Mt. Pleasant Normals were conveyed to defeat on Wednesday afternoon in a peculiar game. The hits were nearly equal, but Voght's youngsters scrambled about more effectively. For the first time during the season of 1913 the Alma college baseball team did not make an error. Alma 7, Mt. Pleasant, 0.

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Yerex—"John, do you know that poker is the oldest game recorded?"  
Landon—"How do you make that out? I thought chess was."  
Yerex—"No; you see it's like this. The Old Testament tells us that Noah drew two pairs in the ark and had a full house."

Gross Carelessness.

Emily—"Say, Marion, Margaret Minchin is going to sue the senior girls for damages."  
Marion—"What for, Emily?"  
Emily—"You see, Tuesday night, when they had her in the tub they pulled the cork and she fainted for water."

Sure Shot.

Monty—"I never saw a girl yet that could hit anything she threw at."  
Ruth—"Well, I guess you never saw Margaret Boag throw a slam."

The Main Thing.

Clara (writing Senior play)—"Say, 'Bril,' let's have this copyrighted."  
'Bril'—"Never mind that now, the main thing is to get this copy right."

Oh, You Wet Town!

Miss O'Donald (on the way to Albion)—"Dear me, I am so thirsty I don't know what to do."  
Mr. Johnson—"Let me get you a drink of water, Miss O'Donald."  
Miss O'Donald—"I don't want water. When I get in Jackson I'll get something cold."

ARCHIE'S SOLILOQUY.

I took them once before,  
And they made me awful sore;  
And again  
I have tried to make an "A"  
But the faculty all say  
'Twas in vain.  
When I took my books to class  
I surely thought I'd pass  
But ah, no.  
Exams. were mighty stiff  
And I really wonder if  
I had a show.  
The profs don't realize  
The lure of "The Hub's" pies,  
Or the dance;  
At 7:30 there're put out  
To find a weary scout  
In a trance.  
They do not understand  
What's "On the other hand,"  
Or see  
That studying at night  
Is injurious to the sight  
Of you and me.  
But if I grow to be  
A Prof. at Old "Almy"  
I'd attempt  
To treat a man that's down  
With a smile instead of frown  
Of contempt.  
Well, I've flunked my last exam.,  
College life is but a sham,  
Any way.  
But I'll be back next year  
Take them over don't you fear,  
Some sweet day.

About a dozen years ago an Alma college tennis team made a successful invasion of M. I. A. A. courts. Mrs. Esther Bruske Davidson was leader of an Amazon band which circumvented that trick. Some ages ago, another team, playing in year of our Lord 1913 and headed by Miss Ruth Cook (duplicated very thoroughly the long neglected stunt. On the Olivet courts Miss Ruth Cook defeated Miss Knapp, the crimson representative, in singles by the score of 6-2, 6-4. With Miss Ritter she defeated the Olivet doubles team, Misses Knapp and Packard, 5-7, 7-5, 6-4.

NEWS ITEMS.

Mr. Gordon Snider, special in chemistry, who took the civil service examination in April at Manistee for laboratory assistant in the Bureau of Chemistry at Washington, D. C., and Miss Gail E. Peacock, B. S., of the class of 1912; and at present Science teacher in the Evart high school, who also took the same examination at Saginaw, have received word that they have passed the examination with first and second standings, respectively.

The Misses Marguerite O'Donald, June Collins, Margaret Allen, Ruth Cook and Wilhelmine Ritter accompanied the track team to Albion last week to witness the M. I. A. A. meet.

Messrs. John Landon and "Ox" Edgerton are spending a few days in Detroit.

Prof. J. E. Mitchell attended the M. I. A. A. directors' meeting at Albion last week.

Ralph Chisholm spent Sunday with friends in Grand Rapids.

Mr. Harry Jackson visited over Sunday in Belding.

Friday, May 30th, at a special meeting the senior members of Philomathean presented the society with a beautiful copy of "The Frieze of the Prophets," by Sargent. The society deeply appreciates this symbol of the loyalty and service of the girls who are to leave this year.

Miss Theo Amsbury will give a post-graduate piano recital Saturday evening, June 14, in college chapel. Mr. Glenn Warner, reader, will assist. Miss Helen Mitchell will give a junior piano recital in college chapel Wednesday afternoon, June 11, at 4:15 o'clock.

MISSIONARY DRAMA.

A missionary drama entitled "Stirring up the Home Folks" was given by the missionary committee of the Y. M. and Y. W. C. A. Wednesday evening in the chapel. The cast of characters were as follows:

Jack Dillon.....Joseph Kennedy  
Willis Payne.....Milo Hogan  
Minister.....Claude Satterlee  
Jones (caustic).....V. Lansing  
Chase.....E. Woodruff  
S. S. Superintendent....Emily Beach  
S. S. Teacher.....Marcia Carl

The first scene consisted in the meeting of the two friends, Jack Dillon and Willis Payne. In the second scene the two friends attempt to interest the minister in foreign missions. In the third scene all the characters appear and the session and Sunday school workers are enlisted in the cause. The fourth and last scene is laid in Arabia where the two friends again meet, and the result of their work back in the home church is shown.

The drama was written by the student volunteers of the University of Michigan and was given by them, both at Ann Arbor and at the state convention at Lansing. The missionary committees are indeed grateful to them for giving to Alma the opportunity of using it.

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Your thoughts will turn  
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