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LOSE HARD GAMES

M. A. C. Takes a Lucky One by the Score of 6 to 5

SAGINAW WINS TWO

Kazoo Pulls a Good Oar. Outumpires and Outstrokes Alma in an Oozy Contest.

Saturday afternoon M. A. C. was tendered a substantial increase to her athletic endowment. Wrapped away carefully in a neat package, trimmed artistically with ragged errors and embellished with splinters of solid ivory was a baseball game which was played on the Aggie's lot between Alma college and the farmers. Playing such a game as has not been seen by the long and short horns for some time, banging out thirteen hits and generally describing rings around the M. A. C. frolickers for eight and one half innings the Maroon and Cream soared into the great expanse of heaven and with benevolent generosity tossed the ball game away. It was one of the freaks of fortune which bob up, contrary to stage directions, and cause chagrin at every hand. Alma was in the lead by a rousing one run margin, as the corner was preparing the funeral services for M. A. C.'s hopes of victory and the last of the ninth rolled around. A base on balls was the speck on the horizon, a slip, an error, a passed ball and a couple more errors brought the storm which sent the winning runs across and spelled a 7 to 6 victory for the Agricultural college. The Fates hold the high cards and weak mortals must acquiesce. The tale of the acquisition is as follows.

The battle opened with Crisp on the mound for the Aggie's and Myers for Alma. The former was rather erratic during the first session and walked the first two men who faced him. Phillips teased a coy little bunt down the path towards the first to the limit McCloy whaled an unmerciful drive over the center fielder's head for two laps. Two runs resulted from the blow. But the inning croaked with two men lingering on second and third, casting covetous eyes towards the rubber. Vatz and Mogge breezed in opening the Aggie half, though Dawson arrived at first through the grace of an error.

Nothing exciting happened in the second frame except a few languishing sighs from the bleachers when Myers injected a two-bagger in to the frolic. The third was fraught with action. Vogt strolled for the second time. McCloy chalked up hit No. 2 and Wood duplicated, scoring the Maroon and Cream receiver. Simenton didn't try to do anything original but just simply singled too, and this point Mr. Crisp got the hook and a southpaw, Dodge took up the reins. Interest was temporarily slackened.

Harvey, who had replaced Dodge in the field, sought the deep blue sea with a tremendous drive to an adjacent river which, from the nature of things, permitted him to gallop the full route and score M. A. C.'s first

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PROFESSOR GUTHE.

Professor Karl E. Guthe, Dean of the Graduate School of the University of Michigan, spoke before the students and faculty Friday afternoon on "Some Phases of Graduate Work." In introducing his subject, Dr. Guthe gave a brief history of graduate work in this country and some distinctions which mark the differences between undergraduate and graduate work. Undergraduate work is work done in courses in which credit is given in stated amounts. Early graduate work is the same in general practice. The evils of the credit system is that it holds up a wrong standard. Like a definition which is substituted where thought is missing, the credit is an imperfect instrument. True graduate work is investigation and is marked by greater independence of thought and freedom to seek truth for the sake of its increase in the sum of human knowledge and through that its value and usefulness to the world. The graduate student becomes in a true sense a co-worker with his Professor in new fields of learning and investigation. He learns how better to utilize what is known in order to discover what is beyond. In all such work the spirit of investigation is the important attitude and condition of progress. Graduate work is not higher teaching, on the part of the professor, but rather higher learning on the part of both student and professor. It is specialization; not narrow, but reaching out to all possible connected relations.

The question of degrees and for what they should be given was discussed. Formerly degrees were given on the basis of general culture but they have been determined at present largely by the demand for specialists. The Master's degree may stand for general culture and work well done. It should mean also a certain mastery of a given field. The Doctor's degree means investigation in a particular field which may be relatively narrow, but at its best it is not narrow. The demand for specialists is strong. In the profession of teaching, in government work, in institutions of research such as the Carnegie Institute, in industrial professions and in municipal and philanthropic work, specialists with particular qualifications are desired and the supply it is claimed is not equal to the demand.

In the evening at seven o'clock Dr. Guthe spoke on "Material, its Foundations and Limitations," which proved to be of deepest interest to all who had the good fortune to hear him. The speaker traced the development of modern scientific methods, and thus led his hearers into the maze before showing the way out. The old deduction method had to yield to the newer method of experiment and induction, though it did not yield easily as Galileo found out. The discovery of separate laws for separate

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MUSEUM.

The Hood Museum will be open on Thursday and Saturday afternoons of each week. Visitors at other times may obtain admission by calling at the college office.

To the right as one enters are the Geological and Mineralogical collections; to the left, the extensive collections of fossils from the various geological periods. The largest collection is the Winchell collection and represents the life-time collecting of Alexander Winchell. Many of the types and duplicates described by Winchell and later by the United States Geological Survey are here. Of vertebrate fossils, the Mastodon, Elephas, Titanotherium and others are represented by parts of skeletons. There is here also a small collection of stone implements, from Michigan, representing the later Stone Age culture. It is hoped that this collection will be greatly increased by persons leaving pieces which may find here a safe-keeping.

On the second floor are Birds and Mammals and Insects are found. Many rare specimens of birds are still in their original cases, which if placed in suitable cases would give them a more appropriate and deserving place. No one of these collections is complete, and the museum would be glad to receive and properly recognize specimens belonging to any persons who may wish to find an appropriate and safe place to leave their gifts or loans where they will be of lasting service.

COLLEGE EXTEND SYMPATHY

Whereas, We the students of Alma College deeply conscious of the irreparable loss and sad bereavement sustained by our beloved trustee and counselor, Dr. Berkeley, in the loss of his companion and helpmate, and,

Whereas, the lifting of her soul from the time life into that of eternity has deprived us of a sincere Christian friend and has cast a shadow of grief over home and community alike,

Therefore, Be It Resolved, That we express to Dr. Berkeley our deepest sympathy with the fervent hope that the Master Hand who giveth His Beloved sleep may prove an unflinching source and solace in this dark hour of trial.

Be it further Resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be printed in the college paper and a copy forwarded to the bereaved family.

Signed by the committee,

RUST M. COOK,
LEAN KOLVOORD,
LESTER VON THURN.

Burton B. Johnson, of East Lansing was about the college Thursday in the interest of the Y. M. C. A. and spoke Thursday morning in the college chapel.

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The School of Music, if there is sufficient demand, will offer work in Voice Culture, Piano and Violin.

The Alma Chatauqua may be in session during the last week of the summer school. This will be held on the campus of the college, and will offer great opportunity for students to hear a number of good lectures and entertainments. Special rates of admission will be granted to the students.

One great feature of the summer session is the work to be given by Dr. McNutt, especially for ministers, the last week of the term. This work will be given without charge to ministers and with no extra charge to the regular students.

The faculty will be as follows: Thos. C. Blaisdell, Ph. D., President, English; Geo. B. Randels, Ph. D., Pedagogy and Philosophy; Hansford M. MacCurdy, Ph. D., Biology; J. T. Ewing, A. M., Latin and Greek; Alvin L. Barton, A. M., History; F. E. Ellsworth, Mathematics. Music—Keese F. Veatch, Director, Voice; Theo. Maude Amsbury, Piano; Alvin L. Barton, Violin.

Any one desiring to know more concerning this session may get full particulars by applying to President Blaisdell.

REV. JOHN MCKEE.

Rev. John Archibald McKee, a student at Alma in 1889-1890, died of Hodgkin's disease March 31, 1913, in his forty-second year. He was a graduate of Wabash college, class of 1894, and of Princeton seminary, class of 1897. He received the degree of M. A. from Princeton university in 1896 for work in philosophy.

In August, 1899, he married Clarissa Safford Booth, Alma '96. In September they sailed for Siam at missionaries under the Presbyterian Board. Mrs. McKee's health breaking under an attack of Asiatic cholera they were obliged to return to this country. Mr. McKee served churches at Waveland, Ind., and East Jordan, Mich. Since October, 1897, he was Field Secretary of the American Bible society with headquarters in Chicago.

His wife, Clare Booth McKee, and two children, Samuel Booth and Katherine Louise, survive him.

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tally. Mogge was nearly as destructive when he smashed out a three-bagger. He counted when Dawson singled.

In the fourth, Myers hit a beautiful two base bang and scored when Vogt singled and McCloy laid out old No. 3. Alma 5, M. A. C., 2.

Myers was getting rather penurious and his strike out list was somewhat opulent. In the next inning three whiffs in succession cheered up the green and white. In the following Phillips cracked out a sage one which went for naught. But in the Aggie half Dawson got an error and tallied when Dodge lifted a loose one for two bases. Dodge and Thomas scored latter on errors and a sacrifice. Alma 5, M. A. C. 5.

Mr. McCloy and No. 4 appeared simultaneously and Wood strolled; but they both were glued to the self same spots while three men expired. Vats shining face sparkled on first due to a misplay; but he took liberties with Stub's good right arm and so he suffered. The two others whiffed.

Either because of Alma's heavy cannonading or because he was the man whom Ceasar meant when he said, "There was a man wounded in the right wing," the M. A. C. pitcher was recalled and Peterson received the appointment for box duties. As a good reception Rogers and the Palmyra bludgeon conspired to displace some knots in the bric-a-brac. A two bagger was the result. Phillips laid down his second safe bunt of the day and scored the keystone king. Dawson, Dodge and Dancer duly died.

The ninth opened with a count 6 to 5 for Alma and another pitcher in the box for M. A. C. The fourth one of this marvellous quantity of hurlers tendered a free pass to Simenten and then jarred Schult's ribs. To a candid observer it would seem that Alma was bound to be successful in wooing Dame Victory. But this was a base ball game with the fickle fates meddling at every turn. With two men and but one out not a thing happened for Alma and the score was stationary. The next two breezed.

But that didn't satisfy her inordinant desire for excitement. For the first man up for the Aggies had reached first on an unlucky error. Dancer hit safely and tied up the

game at six all by scoring Griggs. Vatz hit a sharp grounder to Rogers who would have been prompt in his ministrations had not the elusive thing picked out a stone to alight on. It then reascended high over the second baseman's head, allowing Dancer to score.

Alma was outfielded by a good margin but M. A. C. was in the shade when it came to hitting; for the visitors hit just twice as many safe ones as did their hosts. Final score: Alma 6, M. A. C., 7.

The series with the Saginaw club of the South Michigan League which the Sawdust city boys won by the scores of 6 to 3 and 8 to 7 showed that Alma has the greatest bunch of hitters in the history of the college but that also their fielding is the worst. Myers and McCloy pitched as good or even better ball than their opponents on the mound, but their poor support was mediocre, to say the least. Bad fielding got them in bad holes in almost every inning.

Rogers as usual led the artillery contributing two doubles, two singles and two triples in the two games. Nearly every other man on the team hit safely. In fact Alma banged out fifteen safe hits to twelve for the visitors in the last game. Alma 3 7, Saginaw, 6, 8.

It was as inevitable as the measles themselves that somehow in the course of human events the worm should turn and Kalamazoo college, a dark horse in the present baseball title race, should show such a reversal of form as to administer a thorough walloping to Alma in baseball. This she did in the second Intercollegiate game of the season. Maybe they did it in the spirit of ribald fun and are merely jesting when they show by their actions that orange and black streamers are likely to float from some prominent pennant pole this spring, but it surely came as a twenty four carat surprise. By the score of 14 to 10, Kalamazoo out-paddled Alma in the oziest, most fluent and wettest game of the year. Not only was it expensive for Alma's hopes to let the meter run so long but it wasn't even a base ball game after the first frame. It was a regretta.

The one reliable box official which the Presbyterians can claim for M. I. A. A. games had been used in the game on the previous day when Albion suffered the pangs of disappointment to the melody of 2 to 0 at the hands of skipper McCloy; and the rockies sent against the Kazoos were, at odds with the elements. But strange as it may seem Alma out-hit their hosts; as they have in nearly every game played this season. But hits didn't mean runs.

Aside from a mighty poor exhibition of baseball, two features of the game stood out quite prominently: the back-to-farm movement and college spirit showed by the crowd. The first was evident from the attempts of the players to do early spring plowing with their countenances whenever a ball came in their vicinity, and the second was just simply evident. The former was ludicrous but the latter was admirable and might well be emulated by the Alma college student body. At every other college in the state that intangible, indefinable thing known as College Spirit is the real impetus behind every college activity and particularly athletics. The base ball team is back of base ball at Alma.

Jupiter Pluvius and all his battalions were chortling in high glee and making life miserable for the fans at the game, but the juicy elements seemed to increase their patriotism rather than diminish it.

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problems finally lead to expressions of still larger relations or laws, such as Newton's law of gravitation and to the law of the conservation of energy, and to still others.

The speaker contended that these laws are expressions of relations, not explanations. They show that this world is a reasonable world—a world of uniform laws. The more we know the more is the unity evident.

The two aspects, the material and the immaterial sides, are complementary; each is but half. Science deals with materials and measurements and the immaterial has thus far not been measured by its methods. Yet their inter-relation constitutes the greatest problem of scientist and philosopher alike.

Incidentally in his afternoon lecture Dr. Guthe paid a tribute to the Fellows sent to the University by the colleges of the state, stating that they stood above the average of graduate students.

Dr. Blaisdell voiced the sentiments of all present in thanking Dr. Guthe and through him the university authorities for this opportunity of hearing these excellent and helpful addresses.

NEWS ITEMS.

Miss Robinson left Friday morning to visit friends in Saginaw.

Mr. Fred S. Johnson was called to his home in Cadillac the fore part of the week on account of the serious condition of his father.

The Misses Florence Ward, Margaret Mahoney and Ruth Robinson, were in Saginaw Friday and Saturday.

Miss Marion Hartness has accepted a position as teacher on a playground in Milwaukee for the summer and will teach the coming year at Alton, Iowa.

Mrs. O. Donald, from Howard City visited her daughter Miss Marguerite O'Donald at Wright hall a few days last week.

Miss Carol Gray spent the week end with friends and relatives in Bay City.

Miss Ruth Ellis spent Sunday at her home in Holly last week.

CABINET SPREAD.

About five o'clock Wednesday morning a band of yawning, sleepy-looking individuals emerged from Wright Hall and, laden with parcels and packages of every conceivable size and shape, slowly wended their way toward the jungle. This band was the cabinets of the Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. who had decided to feast on the wild game of the jungle. A great profusion of firewood was gathered, a mighty fire was built over which "weenies" were roasted and coffee was boiled in the most approved Boy Scout fashion. As is usual with all good things, this too must have an end, but not until everything comestible had disappeared.

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Goodrich—"You are partly right, Coach, only that ain't her name."

The Evidence Located.

"Ox"—"Did you sweep my room, Mrs. Spaulding?"

Mrs. S.—"Sure, Mr. Edgerton, and if you don't believe it just look under the bed."

The Witching Hour.

Emily—"Marion, Mr. Papworth told me a while ago that he wanted to see you in the worst possible way."

Marion—"And what did you say?"

Emily—"I told him to come this evening just as you got your hair down ready for study."

The High Water Mark.

Mr. R.—"Were you up the Rhine, Miss Cook, when you were abroad?"

Miss Cook—"I should think so, right to the very top. And oh, what a splendid view there was from the summit."

The Age Limit.

Frost—"How do you like your eggs, Miss Cornwall?"

Miss C.—"In their teens, please."

With or Without.

Clerk—"I have a beautiful new edition of Mendelssohn's 'Songs without Words,' for two dollars."

Prof. Reese Farrington Veatch—"Indeed! and how much it is with the words?"

I Want to Know.

I have a new, light gray Norfolk suit and on reading the Pictorial Review I find that they are wearing nell-rose colored ties. Dare I spring one in Alma?

Maurice R.

Yes, by all means, and also they are wearing shoes to match the ties.

I waste so much time in deciding just what girl I will take to the "doings" that I am actually neglecting my work. Can you suggest some method to make my choice easier?

Prof. Glen Warner.

Toss the names up in a hat, and then draw your fate.

SPREADS IN THE JUNGLE.

The jungle was the scene of great festivity last Thursday evening when the people assigned to sit at four of the tables of Wright hall took their dinners to that sylvan spot. The woods rang with the voices of the merry-makers as they gathered around their respective crackling fires and roasted "weenies" or boiled coffee. Good things abounded, for a while.

Some games and plays followed the "spread" the most remarkable of these being base ball played by Miss Hartness and Miss Bjoins tables. Buns served as balls. The weather was ideal, and made one feel loathe to leave the happy spot; but the voice of duty, in the form of a mass meeting, called the revellers back at an early hour.

Y. W. AND Y. M. C. A. DATES.

Wednesday evening, 7:45, Union Prayer meeting. Leader, Leon Kolvoord.

Sunday, May 11, Y. W. C. A. Leader, Miss Florence Rozema. Miss Ward will speak on "Practical Christianity."

Sunday, May 11, 8:45, Y. M. C. A. Leader, F. S. Johnson.

"A MESSAGE FROM MARS."

The Lyceum lecture course was closed Monday evening, April 28th, with the appearance of Adrian M. Newens, monologist. Mr. Newens was brought here to provide an extra entertainment for the benefit of those who, on account of the spring vacation recess, were unable to hear Mr. Cadman's lecture.

The committee of the local course were indeed fortunate to secure such a royal entertainer to round out the fine number of the season's attractions.

"A Message from Mars" is not a scientific lecture as the title would indicate or lead one to suppose. It is a comedy, a story fulfilling the conditions of life, and sending home a truth the depth of which one does not realize in his daily life.

There are several important characters, but that of Horace Parker is the central one, and the plot of the piece is drawn around his one great fault, selfishness, which is the source of much sorrow and disappointment to his affianced wife and foster sister Minnie Templeton, and also to his old Aunt Martha. Now Horace Parker's hobby is the study of conditions on the planet Mars; and on the evening when the action takes place, he decides to stay at home and ride his hobby rather than to accompany Minnie, as he has promised to do to a reception, given in her honor by a dear friend. Left alone with his thoughts and with the engagement ring, thrust back upon him by his fiance in her disappointment, he forgets Mars and finally falls asleep.

He dreams. An inhabitant of Mars, where conditions are almost ideal, comes to him and announces that he has elected to be the means of Parker's reform. The two go out into the cold night, much to Parker's disgust, for the purpose of seeing the need of service among the poor and down trodden. Before Horace Parker wakes he has begun to get a grasp on this "other done" as the "Man from Mars" calls the Martian creed. A nearby fire in a tenement rouses him and presents to him an opportunity to practice his first lesson in helpfulness to others. He responds nobly.

With the return of Aunt Martha, things are readjusted among them and the play ends happily for everyone.

It was most remarkable how the artist gave so clear and distinct a picture of each of the people whom he impersonated. Without any make-up accessories or stage contrivances, he made the different characters, ten or fifteen in number, come and go without and apparent effort. Mr. Newens is probably the finest artist in his line engaged by the Red-path Lyceum Bureau.



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