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## MUSICAL RECITAL

At the College Chapel Friday Evening, May 23rd.

BY MR. PAUL VAN KATWIJK

Noted Pianist Who is to Teach Next Year in Sherwood Music School.

The next number in the Course of Musical Recitals in the college chapel will be given on Friday, May 23rd, at eight o'clock, by Mr. Paul Van Katwijk, pianist.

Mr. Van Katwijk, after graduating at the Royal Conservatory of Music at the Hague, Holland, studied three years with the great Polish master, Leopold Godowsky, one year on an open free scholarship won in a competition against sixty-eight other applicants. Later he was for one year the head of the piano department in the National Conservatory at Helsingfors, Finland, a position formerly held by Busouri. For two years he was solo pianist and accompanist on tour with the great Belgian violinist, Cesar Thompson. Last September he came quietly and unheralded to the United States, and has been teaching in Columbia, Missouri, though giving a few recitals, in which he has met with great success and high praise. He has been appointed to the faculty of the well known Sherwood Music School in Chicago for next year.

It is a rare good fortune to secure such an artist for a recital; it is made possible only by the securing of similar dates in the same week at Hope College and at the Mt. Pleasant Normal School. It is hoped that the lovers of good music in Alma will avail themselves of the opportunity to hear "one of the coming great men in the musical world."

The program will be as follows:

1. Sonata, No. 2, op. 21, for violin and piano (assisted by Mr. Barton, violin) .....Gade
2. Fantasy, F minor.....Chopin
3. Barcarolle, F sharp minor.....Chopin
4. Ballade, A flat major.....Chopin
5. Sonata, op. 81 A. Lesadieux, l'Absence et le retour, Beethoven
6. Tambourier.....Rameau
7. Pastorale (l'Angelus) .....Corelli
8. Gigue .....Locilly
9. Arabesque, G Major.....Debussy
10. Impromptu, F minor.....Faure
11. Valse Thiste.....Sibelius
12. Kermesse .....Van Katwijk
13. Rhapsodie d'Anvergue.....St. Saens
14. Mephisto Valse.....Liszt

### ALL OUT FOR THE DUEL.

We, the undersigned, wish to announce that on Thursday next, May 22, 1913 A. D., at three p. m., on Davis Field, we will fight a duel to see who shall be the rightful owner of Prof Warner. Toothpicks will be used as weapons. Mrs. Fancher and Miss Schultz will act as seconds. Twenty-five cents admission. Come. It's cheap at half that price.

Carrie Nation Haefliger.  
Susan B. Anthony Cornwall.

Mr. Lester von Thurn has accepted a position with the Mutual Benefit Life Insurance Co., to begin work soon after he graduates. Before taking up his work he will visit friends in Cleveland, Ohio, and his brother Robert at Auburn Theological Seminary. Then he will go to Newark, N. J., to take special training in his chosen profession before going to Philadelphia to begin his duties. His friends wish him great success.

## OLIVET DEFEATS ALMA

The score of 8 to 1 is a fair indication of the unmerciful way that Alma's dearest foe, Olivet, trampled rough shod over Alma college's baseball machine Saturday afternoon and hung up one of the bitterest victories that she has ever gained over the Presbyterian outfit. The awful atrocity which the Olivet cohorts perpetrated on Coach Bleamaster's youngsters came at a time when it was least expected. Aye, that's the rub and no mistake.

A certain evil-minded individual by the name of Payette, against whom for the past two weeks the strongest maledictions have been hurled, metaphorically speaking, did just exactly what wasn't expected of him. He did just what Olivet said he would and he did it with a certain finesse which will rankle eternally in the breast of Alma adherents. Four hits was the sum total of his generosity. And those lonesome four wallops were as unsymmetrically and illogically timed as some of those watery outbursts which occur in the vicinity of Pioneer Hall any old time of the night or day.

McCloy had a bad day. When normal (and he is as sure of being normal at the Intercollegiate games as day follows the night before) he is the one best bet in the M. I. A. A. but Saturday he was badly off color and yielded ten safe bingles. Every Olivet man but one got at least one safe wallop and they were bunched in a pleasing way—for the visitors.

The fiasco opened like a league affair. One, two, three, the batters of both teams strode up to the platter and sneaked back again in disgust. The dopesters were figuring on a tight game, but as usual the dopesters were dopey and the game speedily opened up like a parachute. In the third Simonton strolled with the receipt of a pass and absconded second after a pretty slide. Vogt, the only Alma man to get more than one hit, injected one of his blows into the game at this point and scored the guardian of the hot corner. That's all the good news for this time. The news of a different shade is the only kind left.

In the fifth Olivet darkened the score column with a single marker on a hit and an error. The sixth inning was barren of life beyond the usual formalities attendant upon a baseball game. But it did precede the liveliest inning of the whole game.

Welch, Smith, French and even Payette hit safely. And then because they hadn't given the top of the batting order any chance Royal and Neilthorpe were rushed to the scent. Originality was beyond these gentlemen and they also banged out safe cracks. This fearful cannonading resulted in four runs.

After that ghastly exhibition of inordinate greed Olivet was still not satisfied and they needs must heap insult upon outrage. They amassed three more runs in the following inning on rank errors and a few good swats in safe territory. The ninth inning is mentioned merely because Olivet didn't score any more tallies and to toss out the unhappy information that Alma didn't either. A couple of safe hits did see the light

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## WHY NOT BE A LIBRARIAN.

### A Profession Needing College Graduates.

There is at least one profession open to both men and women which is not crowded except at the bottom. The demand for college men in this profession arises because the responsibilities and opportunities of the profession have recently grown so great that only persons of high intelligence, broad education, and special training are now considered capable of filling many of the better library positions.

### Varieties of Work.

Library work includes everything from the mechanical cutting of pages in a magazine, to the work of administering a great public library with hundreds of employees, and an income of several hundred thousand dollars. A college graduate with library school training, however, might naturally expect to become a cataloguer, a classifier, a reference librarian, a library organizer, or a head librarian. Besides these there are opportunities in college libraries and in special libraries, including legislative and municipal reference libraries. A college graduate with library school training might, however, expect to become a head librarian of a public school library—provided he possessed broad sympathies, good executive ability, a clear head for business, initiative, energy and enthusiasm. If possessed of executive ability but more scholarly than humanitarian in his tastes, the librarianship of a college library might appeal to him. If his scholarly tastes are more conspicuous than business or executive ability, he could find congenial occupation as reference librarian or cataloguer, occupations calling for broad information and book sense. If his tastes are distinctly specialized, there are many kinds of special libraries,—law, medical, technical, art, sociological, waiting for the one who can bring to them knowledge of the subject plus library training.

### A Substantial Salary for a Capable Man.

There is a definite demand for men in the library profession. Not only are there many administrative positions open to them but many of the more serious patrons of the big library systems are men, and men prefer to deal with men. The library school graduate who is also a college graduate and who has the personal qualities required may expect from \$1,000 to \$1,200 to begin with and has ahead of him much larger possible earnings. There are filled each year several positions paying from \$1,500 to \$3,000. In a few of the more responsible positions the returns are as high as \$5,000 or \$8,000 per year and the demand for men of ambition and

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## THE RESOLUTIONS

Adopted by the Faculty on the Resignation of Dr. Notestein

### AS DEAN OF FACULTY

Has Given Long and Efficient Service in This Capacity.

Whereas, Dr. Frank N. Notestein has recently laid down the duties of Dean of the College, after a tenure of the position covering some fourteen years, the Faculty desires to place in its records the following minute, appreciative of the important service which he has rendered in this capacity:

As incumbent of an office whose functions, practically undefined at first, have touched the life of the College at so many points, Dr. Notestein has shown a high degree of wisdom and efficiency. In the handling of matters often vexatious to a degree, he has united patience and kindness with firmness in such a way as to merit and win general confidence and respect. His courage and single-eyed devotion to duty are unquestioned. He has presided over the deliberations of this Faculty and performed the duties of the President in his necessary absence with uniform dignity and efficiency.

In retiring from the position of Dean, Dr. Notestein carries with him the personal esteem of his colleagues for those qualities of head and heart which mark the Christian gentleman whose life is an open book, "known and read of all men."

JOHN T. EWING,  
JAY CLIZBE,  
JAS. E. MITCHELL,  
Committee.

### INTERCLASS TRACK MEET.

All the 1913 track aspirants were given a thorough trial last Saturday when the combined interclass and decathlon meet was held on Davis Field before a shivering throng of about twenty collegians. No phenoms of exceptional caliber were brought to light nor were the marks especially good, but the competition was close in nearly all the events. The interest was unusually keen in view of the fact that six beautiful medals were up for competition, having been purchased by Coach Bleamaster to put more pep into spring athletics at Alma. Because of a broken javelin that event is yet to be pulled off and the ultimate awarding of these prizes depends entirely upon the results with the long weapon.

As a class affair the freshmen made it a walk-away, grabbing forty-one points, while the juniors followed with twenty-one and the sophomores secured but eighteen. The seniors in the person of Edgerton won nine points. Harry Schultz, Chisholm, Milton Jackson, Knowlton, McIntyre and VanDuzen were the prominent first year men. Hyde and Johnson were the big point winners for the juniors, and Cook and Jackson won markers for the second year men.

Coach Bleamaster did not express any great elation over the showing of the athletes but hopes to have them in shape by the time the big June classic rolls around. The Intercollegiate track meet at Albion in June is the goal of his endeavors and he is putting his men through a severe drill every afternoon to get them in condition for the annual M. I. A. games.

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CORNER ON DATES.

May 23—Hillsdale at Alma  
May 23—Musical number.  
May 31—Lecture by Prof. West.  
June 6-7—M. I. A. A. Track meet.

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

Wednesday evening, May 21, 6:45—  
Union prayer meeting. Joseph L. Kennedy, leader.  
Y. W. C. A.—Sunday, May 25.  
Leader Miss Anna McNabb.  
Y. M. C. A.—Sunday, 8:45 a. m.,  
May 25. Leader, Clarence Goodrich.

With the completion of every debate the fact is being emphasized more emphatically that interest in debates at Alma college must be revived in short order or Alma, who for several years was feared in for-ensic contests among her sister colleges will play the comedian role in debates. The debate at M. A. C., which the agriculturists won by a unanimous decision, is a fair criterion of the crying need for more thorough work; backed up by college spirit in the form of at least nominal support from the student body.

If it is the intention of the student body of Alma college that she is to maintain the standard in debates which such men as Marchmont, Graves and others of similar caliber have set up it behooves the men of said institution to Get Busy. Maybe a debate will be won some time after the principals have spent only a month or two weeks in preparation but it is a doubtful assumption to say the least. Four unanimous defeats is a pretty strong rebuttal of that assumption.

The fault does not lie wholly with the debaters. The fault lies to the greatest extent with the faculty and students. Twenty-five people were present at the Ypsi-Alma contest doing a languid appreciation stunt to attempt to show that they were loyal to Alma college and her debaters. Two hundred and fifty were present at M. A. C.-Alma debate at East Lansing. And that many were on hand in spite of the fact the student body were celebrating the biggest victory of the year in baseball. Enthusiasm was at the highest pitch too.

The creaking rusty old system at Alma will begin to right itself simultaneously with the expression on the part of you and you and your roommate that your college loyalty is only dormant and not dead; and that a recrudescence period has set in. Five years ago Alma defeated Olivet at the Crimson stronghold. Since then not a single Presbyterian debating team has won a victory away from Alma.

What about the future of Alma debating?

Opportunity doesn't always fracture the door when she bids for entrance but she often makes herself mighty conspicuous. Admission and attendance to Choral Club rehearsals are the golden opportunities which

lie open to every student who possesses a larynx; and yet many who would profit greatly by membership in this cosmopolitan musical organization are out of the fold. College loyalty should find expression in the support of the best choral club in the state as easily as in baseball or fussing.

This opportunity is doubly attractive. No college in the state, or the West, we surmise, has as efficient a chorus director as Prof. Veatch. That is one of her attractions. The other develops from the first. Membership to the organization is open to every student whether he is taking music lessons or not. Under such considerations—Why not? The production of the Elijah will be the biggest thing in the musical line that Alma has ever had. Get in step.

PARTY AT PROF. VEATCH'S.

With one of the most delightful parties of the year, Prof. Veatch and wife entertained about thirty members of the college church choir last Saturday evening at his home on College avenue. After the regular practice the choir journeyed about the campus in a devious itinerary and finally arrived at the musical director's home. It didn't take more than three minutes of entertainment to prove to each and everyone present that they were absolute amateurs in certain line of musical art, for games which would tax the ingenuity of a virtuoso were employed to test the lack of knowledge on the part of the guests.

The climax of the intellectual monstrosities perpetrated was the prize Limerick of the final test of wits. With humble apologies to Alma's popular minister, it is given below. Refreshments of the daintiest concoction were served by Mrs. Veatch.

"There was a kind parson named Mason,  
Whose fleece one might seek as did Jason;  
On his chin it is growing,  
On his head it is going,  
But still old Mephisto he's chasin'."  
—Anon.

ALMA DEBATES M. A. C.

Another Alma debating team was defeated Friday evening when Carey, Cook and Creaser met the M. A. C. team at East Lansing on the trust question and suffered a unanimous setback. The Aggies showed a keen grasp of the question for debate and presented it well. The results of their work showed thorough study. This was lacking to some degree in the visitors. Though the Alma men had, on the whole, better delivery than did the M. A. C. men.

Mr. Snyder opened for the Aggies with a strong plea for regulation. With forceful eloquence he drove home some good points. Cook, Robinson and Creaser followed with alternate currents of solid truths and arguments. The second speaker for M. A. C. was easily the best of the evening though Snyder and Carey, who closed up the constructive work for their respective teams, were nearly as strong.

Snyder and Cook engaged in a little rebuttal fiasco with the former shading his opponent. Presupposition on the part of the Maroon debaters that judges and audience saw debateable points with their view and failure to prove them conclusively were the weaknesses which worked ill for the visitors and were the deciding features of the debate.

NEWS ITEMS.

Miss Joyce Fairweather has accepted a position in her home town, Imlay City, as teacher in the first grade.

Mr. Carle Atkinson of Marlette is visiting Art Simenton and attended the Olivet game.

Miss Emma Bachi has resigned her position, but will continue to remain at the Soo.

Every one is glad to see Jean McGill, a former student, about the campus. She is visiting Miss Beulah Parr.

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**OLIVET DEFEATS ALMA**  
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of day about that time.  
Alma looked decidedly bad during the whole game, and after the fifth inning when the umpire began to come in for his share of attention baseball came to be neglected on the part of the locals. Sometimes, not often, a real heart to heart talk with an umpire does some good. Maybe a remark relative to his optical illusions wrecks a mutual advantage. But the greatest good is accomplished when a team sticks to a baseball during the regular nine innings and indulges in criticism of the umpire after the game. No umpire ever posed as a paragon in diamond jurisdiction but attempt to show how absolutely rotten he is only distracts attention from the game.  
The title rag race will be ended at the Intercollegiate games at Albion June 6 and 7 and Alma will have an opportunity of showing world and the M. I. A. A. schools in particular that this defeat was all humbug. He laughs best who—and maybe Alma will have reason to grin a bit yet.

**Notes of the Game...**  
In the third, three men languished on all the hassocks that the rules allow and still not a one was able to scamper across. And the trouble was; they were all Alma men, too.  
Simenton's steal of second in the third frame was the only one of the game. It was mighty impressive.  
The one bright spot in the whole game was the all round work of captain-elect Vogt. Besides eight putouts and three assists he garnered two beautiful hits. He made the would-be hunters look life 1903 two cylinder affairs.

French captured several nice flies in the middle garden. On two different occasions Wood had hits ticketed for three bases which this pestiferous fielder trapped.  
"Baldy" fanned the demon slugger, Hamilton, with a man waiting on third, in the fourth inning.

In the seventh inning three men were on and an infield ball was hit. A temporary contortion of baseball intellect on the part of the base runners stifled a threatened rally. Two men expired on the play and the next one was easy for Payette.

Those sobs from the sidelines and the nagging at the umpire doesn't give Alma a good name with other schools, to say the least. The grand stand occupants were game to the last ditch and showed lots of spirit.

Royal and French ran together when going after the same fly and nearly pulverized each other.  
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 R H E  
Olivet ... 0 0 0 0 1 0 4 3 0—8 10 2  
Alma ... 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0—1 4 4  
Final score—Olivet 8, Alma 1.

May 31, Professor West will give an illustrated lecture, "The Life History of a Drop of Water," before the Science club.

Miss Cornwall wishes to make a final appeal to the person who by mistake took the two steins from the art room to please return them that they may be given back to the owner.  
Invitations are out announcing the marriage of Miss Esther Bruske to Mr. James Davidson of Alma, at the home of the bride's parents, Dr. and Mrs. Bruske, of Holland, Mich., Saturday, May 24.

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Archie—"Von, do you believe money talks?"

Von—"I certainly do. I no sooner get my fingers on a dollar than it says 'Good bye.'"

Or Wept.

Emily—"Marion, what do you think of this little poem of mine, 'He would not Smile'?"

Marion—"I think if you had read it to him he would have smiled."

Doubtful.

Simenton—"Say, I think Sid Cook is very capable. I'll bet he will do things when he gets out in life's work."

Johnson—"Yes, he certainly is a worker; but I doubt if he has head enough to fill his father's shoes."

Did His Duty.

Baldy—"Say 'Goody,' do you know the Bible says, 'Love your neighbor as yourself'?"

'Goody'—"I do try to, but she won't let me."

An Exception.

Monty—"Very few women have any knowledge of parliamentary law."

Ruth—"Why, you should hear Clara Hanel at Wright Hall; she has been speaker of the house for the last four years."

To the Point.

Miss Haefliger—"I suppose you wonder, Miss Cornwall, why I left you so suddenly when you stepped into the store? You see, I saw Prof. B—n coming, and I ran."

Miss Cornwall—"Do tell me, Miss Haefliger, did you catch him?"

Comparative Veracity of the Sexes.

Miss Beach—"The very idea of it—Prof. Mitchell seems to think women are not as truthful as men."

Miss Kennedy—"Pshaw! Wonder if he ever saw a bunch of men swearing off taxes."

Practice Up, Fellows.

Miss Boag (in play practice)—Prof. Warner, don't you think we should do away with this kissing seeing the boys are so amateur?"

Prof. W.—"Well, yes, Miss Boag, or perhaps a little caress would do in place of it if you would show them how."

Shakespeare and Football.

"Down! Down!"—Henry VI.

"Well placed."—Henry V.

"An excellent pass."—The Tempest.

"A touch, a touch, I do confess."—Hamlet.

"I do commend you to their backs."—Macbeth.

"More rushes! more rushes."—Henry IV.

"Pell mell, down with them!"—Love's Labor Lost.

"This shouldering of each other."—Henry VI.

"Being down I have the placing."—Cymbeline.

"Let him not pass, but kill him rather."—Othello.

"'Tis sport to maul a runner."—Anthony and Cleopatra.

"I'll catch it ere it come to ground."—Macbeth.

"We must have bloody noses and cracked crowns."—Henry IV.

"Worthy sir, thou bleedest; thy exercise hath been too violent."—Coriolanus.

"It's the first time that ever I heard breaking of ribs was sport."—As You Like It.—Ex.

WHY NOT BE A LIBRARIAN.

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energy far exceeds the supply.

Salaries for Women.

Financially the rewards for this new profession are less than they should be, but salaries are steadily rising as the value of the library is coming to be more generally realized. A woman who is a college graduate, having the requisite qualities, and who was prepared for the work, by a year or two of training at a good library school, may expect from \$800 to \$1,000 to begin with, rising to from \$1,200 to \$3,000 as she gains experience and shows ability, and scale shows a gratifying tendency to rise.

The returns for library service are not altogether monetary. Those who do not feel called to church work or to strictly philanthropic fields still have a desire to serve the public and do something worth while. A person who goes into a position as a public librarian or a librarian of a municipal or legislative reference library has almost unequalled opportunities for public service. If he has the requisite qualities, he has, as a public librarian, an opportunity to become the consulting engineer for the social activities of the community in which he is placed. He is the head of an institution that is a continuation school for those no longer in the common schools. "He has," says John Cotton Dana, of Newark, New Jersey, "the greatest opportunity of any teacher in the community. He should be the teacher of teachers. He should make the library a school for the young, a college for adults, and the constant center of such educational activity as will make wholesome and inspiring themes the burden of the common thought."

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Catalog for years 1887-'88 and 1888-'89 (one pamphlet).

Catalog for 1895-'96.

Catalog for 1896-'97.

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More likely than not  
Your thoughts will turn  
TO COOLNESS!

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