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FOUR MEN WHO ENDED COLLEGE FOOTBALL CAREER SATURDAY



"EPH" JOHNSON



"OLE" ANDERSON



"DOC" HYDE



"STUB" VOGT

Hyde, Senior, has played four years on the Alma College team, missing only a few games during that time. Anderson has been on the team four years and will be a great loss. Vogt, Senior, has played on the team two years and proven himself a good quarterback. Johnson, Senior, Alma's star tackle, four years on team, played in every game during four years.

DEFEATED BY OLIVET

One of the Hardest Fought Games of the Season

ALMA LOSES 13 - 0

Played on Muddy Field at Olivet Last Saturday

It isn't a magnanimous effulgence of good fellowship that compels an Alma enthusiast to admit that Olivet outplayed Alma last Saturday when they defeated them by the score of 13 to 0—its simple honesty. It was the big game of the year for both teams, the game on which the M. I. A. A. and the Michigan College title depended and Olivet on their own field, playing the finest football in crimson eleven has ever played and under the circumstances such as they were defeated a team which displayed like ability. They defeated an Alma eleven which played harder and more determinedly than any team whose identity history can divulge.

One hundred student and town's people journeyed to Olivet on a special train with the team Saturday and to this loyal band of retainers belongs a great share of the honor which Alma gained before and during the game. Through a rain which nearly added a new feature to Olivet College the Alma fans stayed and cheered the team which was fighting desperately for victory. In spite of the downpour the Alma crowd stuck to their team, giving the team and individuals unabated encouragement, while the crimson supporters sought protection from the limpid element in the capacious stadium which surrounds the Olivet field on several sides.

For one hour previous to the game a
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ROUND TABLE

The Central Michigan Round Table met for their semi-annual gathering at the College on Friday evening last. About fifty of the school men from this part of the State assembled for their preliminary meeting in the large and beautifully furnished reception room and parlors of Wright Hall.

A number of new faces were seen which shows that the Round Table is becoming more and more popular.

The banquet was served in the boys waiting room. Of its quality it is sufficient to say that it was managed by Miss Albertson and quite in keeping with the high standard.

The great attraction of the evening was the address by Professor Robert M. Wenley of the University of Michigan, his subject being, "Schools and Their Meaning."

The Professor was evidently in a happy mood, which for a Scotchman of course means a fighting mood, and took occasion to repeatedly rap the psychologists, but they also were good natured and didn't take him too seriously. He pointed out that the great aim in education is to put the child in possession of the great inheritance which past generation and centuries have bequeathed to him. He thinks we are destroying our high schools by introducing too many subjects, giving students a smattering of many things but a real knowledge of none. He touched upon the relative value of subjects and emphasized the importance of language, mathematics, history literature. The lecture was intensely interesting and showed Professor Wenley the keen and brilliant man he is reported to be.

We the undersigned wish to express our thanks to the girls who so loyally supported us in the game Saturday. We know that some of you had to make sacrifices to be there with us, and we appreciate it greatly.

"COACH" AND THE TEAM

ALMA SPIRIT

The team that battled for the honor of Alma, at Olivet last Saturday, was honored as never a team was before in the history of the College. Never was such spirit voiced by the student body and the town's people.

Saturday morning the team left for Olivet on a special train accompanied by a big crowd of rooters and the band. The trip was a spirited one. The air rang with cheers and songs. The band vibrated Alma spirit with every note.

Then came that station where even slow freights hesitate to stop. A rain began to fall but Alma was not daunted. The "beautiful" road from the station only warmed enthusiasm and as the rooters headed by the band marched down the streets of that little Eaton county burg, they gave the Olivet people a fine example of College Spirit.

At the game the rain fell. But not one Alma rooter moved. Dresses, hats, suits were ruined but the cheering never ceased. Above all the Olivet noise the song of Alma Mater rang clear and strong. The Olivet cheer leader was heard to remark, "Why can't you yell like those Alma people?" But they couldn't. It was the spirit of Alma that sent the rooters to Olivet, made the self-sacrifice possible and made the band play and the rooters cheer to the last echo in spite of the rain. It was the spirit of Alma that inspired the hearts of the people left in Alma and caused the prayer service in Wright Hall at the end of first quarter. It was the same spirit that caused Sandy D. to pick the big "A" out of the Olivet mud and carry it to the station. "Bob" felt it and offered to defend it with physical strength and it all helped the team to fight harder.

All honor to the fellows who played in the band, and to the fellows and especially the girls who accompanied the team. Alma has never seen such spirit as yours. But it was worth it all wasn't it?

FROEBEL PARTY

Given in College Chapel Friday Evening, Nov. 21st

GREAT SUCCESS

Was One of the Most Clever Stunt Parties Ever Given

Last Friday a number of the talented of the Froebel Society gave one of the cleverest stunt parties ever given in Alma College. The crowd was in a continual uproar from start to finish at the original jokes pulled off on the faculty and students. The two hours passed away only too quickly.

The girls wore large signs designating the one they were supposed to represent, but in some cases they were so natural that the sign was not needed. They fully proved the old saying, "Actions Speak Louder than Words."

The first stunt was the chapel exercise. Miss Williams acted the part of the President to perfection. Prof. Michel was at once recognized in Miss Duncanson, and Miss Wagner, as A. P. Cook, with her "Have You paid Your Bills?" book, was very clever.

The take off on the "Results of the Class in College Life" was good. It showed the disgust of the boy students for the President in putting the Freshmen wise to their little "rope-in" stunts at the beginning of the year.

Another very good stunt was the scene in Bill Green's room when the Freshmen assisted by Grant Cook and "Biff" Casey were selecting their girls for the year by flipping coins and other appropriate ways, when Higbee in his official manner arrives and announces Higbee's arrival and offers some father-

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big mass meeting was held in one of the Olivet halls at which both Olivet and Alma crowds were present. Hearty and sincere good feelings were expressed by both bodies, in spite of the keen rivalry and the great importance of the contest. On the two sides of the street two lines were formed and together they marched to the athletic field headed by the Alma College band which furnished music for the occasion. The presence of the band was somewhat of a novelty but reflected to some degree the enthusiasm of the Presbyterian host.

At two o'clock the crimson horde trotted on the field and five minutes later Capt. Wood and his sturdy fifteen followed. The advent of the two elevens sent their respective factions into ecstasies of vociferous enthusiasm. A few moments were spent in signal practice and at 2:15 the teams lined up.

Capt. Wood had won the toss and chose to defend the west goal.

Capt. Rider kicked off to Eph who shot down the field for twenty yards and was made the corner stone for a about a dozen earnest athletes. Bill Schultz catapulted through the line for five yards and one minute later arrived with the ball and a scowl seven yards farther. Alma was penalized ten yards; probably for some infraction of the rules. Wood drove a high punt down the bay for forty yards. Using the over hand and Australian combination stroke Skipper Rider paddled down the field for fifteen yards. Olivet recovered one of their own fumbles and Rider hit the scrim. line for three but on the next down was thrown for a five-yard loss. Austin scampered through his playmates and attempted to catch one of Riders' punts without paying any of the necessary f. o. b. charges. He blocked it all right, but Springer deposited his diminutive frame upon it. Rider, French and Springer in alternation carried the ball forty yards down the field with some beautiful gains, but were stopped on the fifty-yard line when the Alma line stiffened and held them for downs. On the last attempt Austin skipped through the Olivet forwards quite boisterously and gently but firmly laid a restraining hand on the Olivet half five yards back of the line. Rider lifted a very creditable punt and Wood carried it out to Alma's twenty-yard line. Straight to the middle of the field Alma's redoubled backs carried the ball in short, sharp gains. Harry circled the end for eight, Wood added the regulation distance in two smashes, while Eph and Bill kept the head linesmen busy all of the time.

Olivet recovered a fumble and French made ten through the line, but was

tackled from behind by the vigilant Cresswell. Wood was hurt during one of Brunson's line smashes but gamely waived his right to a short release from the scene of battle. Capt. Rider made twenty yards in four heavy attacks against Alma's line. He was the only one who could make much headway and he abused his privilege outrageously. Alma was off side. And the quarter was called with the ball reposing on the fifteen-yard line and coquetting with the shadows of Alma's goal posts. First Quarter 0-0

Though not unexpected, Olivet in the persons of "Brik-A-Ricord" George Rider and J. Ham. Hamilton pulled off the neatest play of the whole game, Not being able to pierce the Presbyterian van Rider flung a forward pass with true aim into the inviting arms of Hamilton who fell over the line with Harry Schultz hanging to him. Olivet 6, Alma 0. No goal.

Capt. Rider kicked off to Wood who returned it twenty-five yards. Harry added ten, waited for a transfer and took five more. Eph circled the end for five and Bill took the air line in two trips for a total of fourteen. Cresswell trapped another fumble. Eph and Bill advanced the ball a couple stripes' length, but Alma was then held for downs.

Olivet could not carry the ball in the right direction and was soon forced to punt. Rider consummated the trick with a boot that spanned half the length of the field. Wood returned an equal distance. Arden Johnson was substituted for Cresswell. Rider made five, Brunson ten. Rider five and Olivet was penalized for holding. Alma took the ball under the football bankruptcy law. Hyde recovered a fumble. Wood spilled the Olivet forward defence and nearly got away for a touchdown, but the ever watchful Rider tackled him. After four attempts Alma was also declared temporarily defunct. Rider, Brunson et. el. didn't raise havoc by a long ways and Alma took the ball on downs. Harry made ten, and Hamilton was laid out.

Merril Hyde went in for Spinney who was exhausted. In four visits to the line Wood and Bill added thirty-five yards, but to no avail, for the time for the half was immediately called.

Ole kicked to the west goal to incorporate the second half. On the first play the poor old cripple from Elk Rapids threw French for an eight-yard loss. Olivet punted to Wood. Eph 10, Wood 10, Wood 8, and with graceless hospitality Olivet accepted the ball on a fumble. Right then was a psychological moment for the tide of the game to turn towards the college endowed by the Presbyterian church, but luck wasn't breaking her neck to accommodate Alma on this day. Springer wouldn't let a good opportunity like that go unappreciated and circled the end for fifteen yards. Rider added eight and French called his bluff and made it ten. Originality isn't one of Brunson's virtues and he cheered up the crimson's flagging interests with a ten-yard contribution. Eph winked to Dusty and they stopped Rider in his tracks twice, and the third time he fumbled, but Springer recovered.

French was laid out with a sprained ankle. Alma took the ball from their own danger zone with Bill and Capt. Wood as sponsors of it. Wood punted to the middle of field. On the first play Rider nearly broke through for a touchdown but Harry and Vogt arrested his progress. On the next ten plays Alma showed Olivet some of the best football

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FROEBEL STUNT PARTY
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ly advice of how the affair should be conducted.
The stunts on the "Rushing of New Girls" by the Misses Kennedy and Dershem and the "Board Meeting" was well carried through. The last number was the Froebel song by the entire society.
The entertainment was a great credit to the Froebel girls and was much enjoyed by the students and faculty.

CLASSICAL CLUB

Twenty-five members were present at the meeting of the Classical Club held last Saturday night. Much enthusiasm was expressed and the roll call which was responded to by myths relating to Zens and Creatoin formed an interesting part of the program. Other features were papers on "The Geology of the Roman Campania" Miss Gray; "The Tiber from of its Source," Mr. Hogan; "Reminiscences of College Life at Western Reserve," Prof. Cook. With such brilliant classic lovers in our midst the outlook of the club for the year looks very bright.

Mrs. DeWitt was the guest of her daughter, Ameretta DeWitt, Saturday and Sunday at Wright Hall.

Miss Emily Beach and Mr. Albert Esselstyn were elected delegates to the Kansas City convention held during the Holidays. It is evident that these two wide awake delegates will bring the College much inspiration from the convention.

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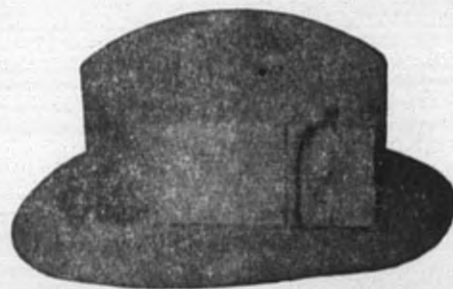
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Mr. Fannell—(Leaving Wright Hall)
 "Oh, don't trouble to see me to the door Miss Cornwell."
 Miss C—"No trouble at all. It will be a pleasure."

TIGHT SQUEEZE

"Baldy"—"Miss Woodruff, I am sorry I let out about that note to Grant."
 Miss W—"Why on Earth did you do it?"
 "Baldy"—I spoke before I thot. You see I never open my mouth but what I get my foot in it.

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of the day and but for a turn of luck would have either tied or won the game then and there. Previous Alma backfields may have labored hard and fruitfully in days gone by, but to the day of judgement 1913 football fans will maintain that the efforts of Bill Schultz, Wood and Harry were the most earnest and the sternest that have ever been made to turn the tide of battle. Employing but one formation, and smashing a defence which was very evidently playing on signals Bill and Pug battered the Olivet line to pieces. From the Alma ted-yard line to the Olivet twenty yard line in nine attempts these two men carried the ball, with gains varying five to fifteen yards. Scarcely once were they tackled. for they invariably lost their footing in the sea of mud. but nothing on the Olivet team could stop their irresistible attack. But at the most illogical moment of the whole game some unfortunate on the Alma line incurred a fifteen-yard penalty and Olivet got the ball on a fumble. The fairest hope of victory was quashed by a most unlucky combination of circumstances.

Olivet immediately punted and recovered their own punt. Eph tipped over Rider ten yards back of the scrimmage line and Alma got the ball. Wood took up the heartbreaking attack again with a ten yard gain, Bill added eight and on the next line plunge the cruelest cut of all came to pass. Springer was rushing round the end to nab the elusive runner, but just before he reached him the ball shot out of the mass of players, and continuing on the dead run the speedy little quarter engulfed the vagrant ball and raced fifty-five yards for a touchdown. Harry took up the chase but Springer's spendid start kept him free of tacklers. Rider goaled, 13 to 0.

A steady rain turned into an unsteady avalanch of penetrating juice and football became a matter of mere bluff. The pigskin accumulated the qualities of the proverbial greased pig.

Ole kicked to the west goal, Both teams settled down to the old scrimmage, Olivet with the intent of merely holding safe the fruits of their labor and Alma with the hope of dispelling the anger of the apparently outraged goddess of fortune. Olivet was held for downs. Wood

advanced the ball twenty-five yards in two downs. Harry contributed five more, but Alma was also stopped. Springer and Rider emulated Wood's feats and the end of the game was called with the ball in the middle of the field.

During the first half Olivet outplayed Alma all the way and earned a well won touchdown. In the second half Alma gained much more ground than did Olivet and had a golden opportunity to even score. However, the touchdown did not materialize and gracefully as we may we accept the defeat and will begin to lay plans for glorious revenge in 1914.

The wonder ever grows in Alma College circles how Albion can dub Olivet poor sports and malign them with- gentlymanly reflections. It was felt by the Alma visitors that they were accorded a most royal reception and that even in defeat their hosts would have been not a wit less cordial in expression of good feeling. Should Olivet care to reciprocate the visit next year Alma students would make every effort to return the hospitality of this year. Rivalry which smacks of the lumber camps belongs in the attic of college traditions and the time of strong but friendly rivalry is upon all colleges, and particularly M. I. A. A.

To four men above all others the defeat at Olivet was the biggest disappointment of their College days. But to "Doc" Hyde, "Eph" Johnson, "Ole" Anderson, "Stub" Vogt will go the credit for giving to their Alma Mater the best they had and to them Alma students give the highest praises. Capt. Wood, Austin, Schultzes et. al. will be the big features in the victory of 1914 so that their tale is unfinished.

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