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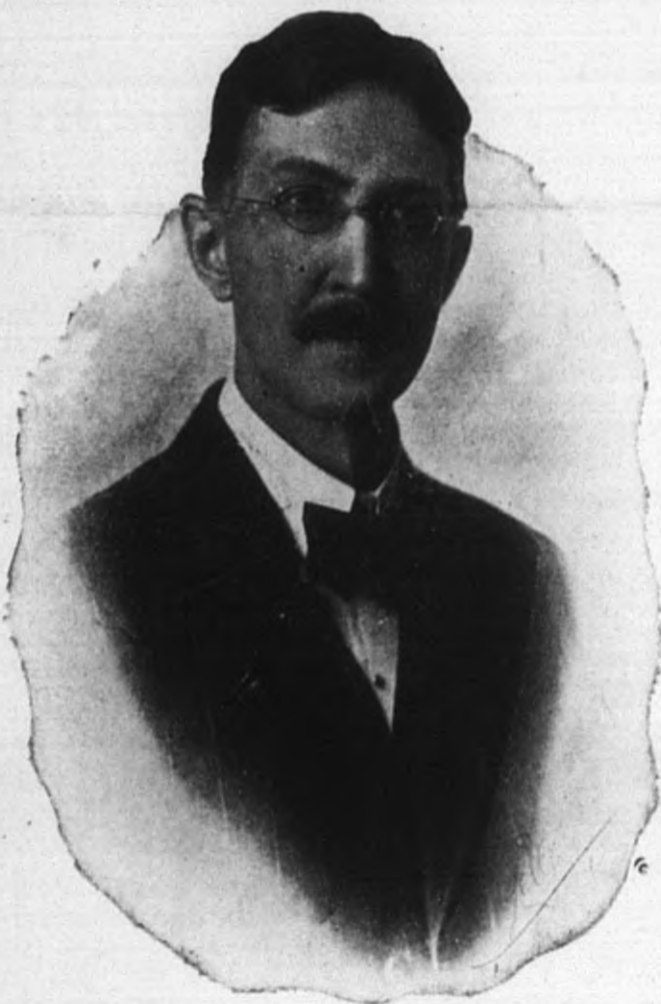
## LECTURE ON TRUTH

In College Chapel on Sunday,  
September 28

BY DR. BLAISDELL

A Large Number of Students and  
Townspople Were Present

Formerly it has been the custom of the President of Alma college to deliver the first sermon of the college year to the students and friends of the college in the First Presbyterian church of Alma, but Dr. Blaisdell, thinking he could come closer to the students in the room where he meets them daily, preferred to change the custom and hold a vesper service in the college chapel. Owing to Dr. Blaisdell's absence from the city the first Sabbath of the college year, he postponed the service until last Sabbath. Nearly every student as well as a large number of townspeople were present to hear his carefully prepared address on "Truth," also the very fine musical program arranged



DR. T. C. BLAISDELL

by Prof. Fannell.

After reading of the rich young man who missed salvation and of the lawyer who called forth the Good Samaritan story, Dr. Blaisdell said: "I am chiefly concerned that our students know the beauties and the benefits of the Christian religion. I know that some are rejecting religion because they misunderstand what Jesus teaches about salvation. Pilate asked, 'What is truth?' All science seeks an answer. Men are more concerned to know what is spiritual truth. Whether there is a future life we cannot know; we can only believe. Instinctively, mankind has worshipped a First Cause. Our ancestors worshipped the sun, learn-

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## Alma Lyceum Course

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### GIRLS' BASEBALL TEAM.

Miss Bjoin has organized a ladies' baseball team. The girls under the efficient leadership of Miss Bjoin are making rapid progress in their daily practice. It is not yet decided how heavy a schedule they will take on next spring as it all depends on the development of the team.

### THE LYCEUM COURSE.

The Almanian is glad of the chance to call the attention of its readers to the attractive series of entertainments offered this year by the management of the Lyceum course. For twelve years this course has been maintained by co-operative effort to secure the best platform talent available for the benefit of both college and town. This effort has been uniformly successful, as the popularity of the course with both students and townspeople has fully attested. It is an established feature of our college life whose value is not problematical however skeptical we may at times feel about some others.

"Choose the best," is a wise injunction and he who runs may easily make his own application of it in this instance; but the Almanian ventures to suggest the advisability of an early choice and an easy way to "clinch" it. Drop into the college office, sign up for as many tickets as you can personally negotiate (no money needed) and await with interest the further development of the plot. A course book (brochure, we believe, is the proper title of it) will be issued shortly, giving full details regarding the talent, dates, prices, etc. Wait for it.

### LEST WE FORGET.

Last spring the students took certain action in regard to fellows playing Sunday baseball not being allowed on any Alma college athletic team. For the benefit of the new students, this resolution, adopted by the student body and endorsed by the faculty will be printed:

Resolved, That hereafter no student who has played Sunday baseball will be allowed to represent Alma College in any athletic contest, whether it is M. I. A. A. or not.

### ATTENTION, ALUMNI.

The Alma College banquet in connection with the State Teachers' association will be held in McMillan Hall in Presbyterian House opposite High school building, Friday, October 31st, at 5:30 p. m., at Ann Arbor. All former students and friends of the college are invited to be present. Will you kindly let Dr. Blaisdell know if you intend to be there so ample preparation may be made for you?

## LAST YEARS' CLASS

Holding Fine Positions as All  
Alma's Graduates Are

## MOSTLY TEACHERS

Kindergarten Girls are Doing Exceptionally Well

Alma college is very proud to give the list of her graduates of last year and their locations.

Margaret Pollock Boag, H. S. teacher, Tecumseh, Michigan.

George Joseph Brillmyer, H. S. teacher, Galva, Illinois.

J. L. D. B. Landon, H. S. teacher, Detroit.

Marion Beryl Broderick, Detroit.

Andrew Clifford Edgerton, H. S. teacher, Coach, Cass City, Michigan.

William Arthur Ewing, H. S. teacher, Charlevoix, Michigan.

Wade Lawrence Frost, pastor Congregational church, Carson City, Mich.

Clora Elizabeth Hanel, H. S. teacher, Crosswell.

William Allen Hooper, business, Guorard, Canada.

Emily Maude Hooper, H. S. teacher, Carson City, Mich.

Marion Easter Hartness, H. S. teacher, Alton, Iowa.

Leon A. Kolvoord, business, Allegan, Mich.

Bernice Edna Latson, H. S. teacher, Byron, Mich.

Oral Mirvin Misenar, H. S. principal, Newberry, Mich.

Chalmers A. Monteith, business, Oak Park, Illinois.

Margaret Rachel O'Neill, supply teacher, Soo, Michigan.

Ruth Marion Robbins, H. S. teacher, Oakland, Ill.

Marian Rounsifer, H. S. teacher, Eaton Rapids, Mich.

Claude Webster Satterlee, U. of M. Della Struthers, H. S. teacher, Onaway, Mich.

Edward Archibald Thompson, (married) University of Edinburgh, Scotland.

Rex Edward Van Dusen, U. of M. Lester von Thurn, business, Philadelphia, Pa.

Berneice Walker, music, Alma College.

Also the K. G. girls who graduated last year are very well located, as follows:

Marcella Adams, Flint, Mich.

Bess Bishop, Flint, Mich.

Josephine Butler, Harbor Springs, Mich.

Anna Fralick, Alma.

Joyce Fairweather, Imlay City, Mich.

Marian Hartness, Alton, Iowa.

Rosalie Netzorg, St. Charles, Mich.

Letta Soper, Romeo, Mich.

Marguerite Mahoney, Portsmouth, Ohio.

Esther Shepard, Adrian, Mich.

Mabel Wyant, Midland, Mich.

The work of the "Thumb Club" has started again this year. They met at Wright Hall Thursday evening for a spread and social hour. The "Thumbers" were seated about the center of the dining room while they were carefully served with "lady fingers" and other delicacies. A list of their officers will be published later.



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Advertising Rates on Application

Oct. 8—Union Prayer Meeting,  
college chapel. Leader, Albert J.  
Esseltine. Subject: Faith.

Oct. 12—Y. W. C. A. Recognition  
service for men members.

Oct. 12—Y. M. C. A. Leader, Carol  
Hyde. New members welcome.

Oct. 11—Alma at M. A. C.

Oct. 18—Albion at Alma.

FOOTBALL.

The Coach is giving the team real  
football practice every day regard-  
less of the weather. The three  
seniors, Johnson, Hyde and Vogt,  
are doing better work than ever.  
French, the big man from the De-  
troit Central High, who was late in  
entering college, is out every night  
making a good showing. There are  
enough men out trying for the team  
so that two teams are organized  
giving them the advantage of scrim-  
mages. In general every thing is  
showing up fine much to the delight  
of the Coach and all interested.

Orchard Lake was compelled to  
cancel her game with Alma Saturday,  
too late for Alma to secure a game  
with another team.

Alma's first game will be Saturday,  
October 11, with M. A. C. at East  
Lansing.

ALUMNI NOTES.

John Dunham of Alma is acting  
as prosecuting attorney of Gratiot  
county on account of the illness of  
John Everdon.

Mr. Robert Cook '12 left Alma last  
Tuesday for Albany, N. Y., where he  
expects to take up the insurance  
work in which he has been engaged  
for the past year. On his way to  
Albany he will visit his sister, Miss  
Edith Cook '08, who is now librarian  
of the Cleveland East Side Technical  
High school. He will also visit Les-  
ter Von Thurn '13, at Philadelphia.  
The Almanian and his many friends  
are glad to see Robert prospering so  
well in his new work and wish him  
all success.

LECTURE ON TRUTH.

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ing of God through nature. We  
learn of him chiefly through the  
Bible.

"Students ask, 'Must we believe all  
of the Bible in order to be saved?'  
I cannot think we must. Jesus does  
not teach it. I would ask, 'Which  
translation must we believe?' In  
reading the Bible in seven languages  
I find meanings that widely differ.  
The King James, the Revised, and  
the Douay versions differ; which is  
all true? Few accept the Genesis  
account of the creation as literal  
truth. I do not. Much else I can-  
not accept literally; for example, I  
think that as originally written the  
Book of Jonah contained no refer-  
ence to a great fish; a copyist insert-  
ed it.

"Of the New Testament miracles.  
I would say that with a few excep-  
tions they are being performed to-  
day, by the help of the Spirit. It is  
easy to believe them. But does Jesus  
demand this belief before salvation?  
He did not demand it of the young  
man or of the lawyer. He does not  
refer in his teachings to the Virgin  
Birth. The question is not, 'Is it  
true?' but 'Must we believe it, to be  
saved?' How does the death of Jesus  
save men? Of the atonement, un-  
numbered theories exist. Unques-  
tionably death was necessary. To  
me it seems that Jesus in order to  
save the world had to show the sup-  
remest unselfishness. This meant  
death. Nothing less would answer.

"What then brings salvation? 'Je-  
sus saith unto them, I am the way,  
the truth, and the light; no man  
cometh unto the Father but by me.'  
He taught the young man and the  
lawyer how. He who pursues,  
wholly, in the right spirit, the good,  
is religious, whether a church mem-  
ber or not. This can not be done  
without the help of Jesus. 'Every  
one that is of the truth heareth my  
voice.' 'Howbeit, when he, the Spirit  
of Truth, is come, he will guide you  
into all Truth.' Only thus can we  
learn 'What is Truth.'"

—Dr T C Blaisdell

MAROON AND CREAM STAFF.

Last Tuesday the Junior class de-  
cided to publish the customary Col-  
lege Annual and elected its officers  
as follows:

Sidney Cook, Managing Editor.  
Clifford Corey, Business Manager.  
Margaret Allen, Society Editor.  
Arthur Simenton, Athletic Editor.  
Bope Butler, Art Editor.

Mr. Cook has a great deal of ex-  
perience in writing and is a very able  
man for editor. Mr. Corey's busi-  
ness ability and large acquaintance  
with the townspeople well fits him  
as business manager. Messrs. But-  
ler, Simenton and Miss Allen have  
shown by their work here the past  
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Zolan Cullen, Davison, Mich.  
Amaretta M. DeWitt, Spring Lake,  
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Jessie J. Duncanson, Cass City,  
Mich.  
Helen B. Ames, Muskegon, Mich.  
Aura M. Funnell, Norwalk, Mich.  
Bessie Gilbert, St. Louis, Mich.  
Jane Stuart Green, Saginaw, Mich.  
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Mich.  
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**ALMANIAN**

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I'd flunk in all my classes  
'Till "Mud" was a Senior too.

**Don't Worry.**

Miss Taylor—"Do you know, I think Miss Gray must be very timid."  
Miss Woodruff—"What makes you think that?"

Miss Taylor—"She told me the other night that she would jump at a proposal."

**Well Posted.**

Prof. Mitchell—"Miss Ireland, when was Rome's fall?"

Miss Ireland—"I am not just sure, but I think it followed the summer."

**Poor Pat.**

Patterson stole a lock of her lovely hair,  
And alone in his room he kissed it.

But he had nought on Miss Goll there,  
For alone in her room she missed it.

That "boob" has been slipping my puff, she said,  
Then giggled and spoke, To think

That lock that he fancies once grew on my head  
Came off the "bean" of a "chink."

**NEWS ITEMS.**

Dr. Randells was in Kalamazoo part of last week as instructor in Bible at the State Students' Bible conference, visiting at Olivet on his way home.

"Ox" Edgerton '13, coach of Cass City football team, is certainly giving his old Alma fighting spirit to his team. Last week they played Caro, winning by the score of 48-0. Nine 'rahs for "Ox."

Monty McFarlane was the Y. M. C. A. delegate to the Bible conference at Kalamazoo last week. Sunday morning he gave a very interesting account of work there and brought to the association great enthusiasm for earnest Bible work.

Foster Fraker '12, of Eaton Rapids, is visiting his people and college friends part of this week.

Pioneer Hall is now nearly completed. The students are again in their rooms. With the improvements which it received during the summer, Pioneer Hall is now one of the finest "Dorms" among the colleges of the state.

The college library has recently been wired and the library is now open several nights a week giving the students better advantage for reference work. Miss Cook has as her assistants Miss Thair and Maurice Cole.

Bryson McCloy recently visited Clarence Goodrich at Cadillac and reports that "Goody" will be back in college next semester.

Mr. Sidney Cook was in Albion the last of the week on business.

Miss Otha McCracken of the class of '15 is unable to return this year because of her father's ill health. Miss McCracken will be greatly missed as an enthusiastic member of her class, secretary of the Y. W. C. A. and vice-president of the Philomathean Literary society. She is hoping to be able to return in February and in the meanwhile will keep in touch with Alma through the Almanian.

The Y. W. and Y. M. campaign for membership has begun. Last year every girl but one in Wright Hall and many of the down town

girls belonged to the association, but we should do better this year. The Recognition service for new members will be held Sunday, October 12, so give your name to the membership committee before that date. A little later in the semester a unique feature will be held in the nature of a tag day, on which all those who have paid up membership will be tagged for the associations.

**JUNIOR SPREAD.**

The "Jungle" was the scene of great festivity last Wednesday evening when the Juniors were there spreading themselves. The wood rang with their merry voices as they gathered about the fire and roasted "weenies" and pork steak and boiled their coffee. Supper was followed by story-telling, song singing and class yelling. Late, the Juniors returned making a tour of the town taking in everything that was still open and running. Each and every one thoroughly enjoyed himself and are only wishing for the time to come for the next spread.

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