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WAS CITED FOR SPECIAL BRAVERY

Lieut. Wyatt, Another Alma Son to Receive Distinction From Government.

Second Lieutenant Edward H. Wyatt ex '12, is another of Alma's sons to be cited for special bravery. He was with the American troops in France and achieved this honor for "gallant conduct" and "devotion to duty" while in active service at Wadonville, France, St. Michiel Section, on September 25, 1918.

He was with the 102nd machine gun battalion and was wounded while conducting his platoon into position for laying a barrage for a raid. In spite of his wounds and with complete disregard for his own personal safety, Lieutenant Wyatt remained on duty for more than an hour under heavy machine gun and shell fire directing the location and adjustment of his guns. Then after having his wounds dressed he returned to his platoon and remained with the men until he was relieved later. It is for this special bravery that he received the distinctive honor.

Lieutenant Wyatt is the brother of Robert Wyatt, who is in college this year. The former is still overseas, attending a European university.

GOES TO ILLINOIS

The Reverend Mr. Thompson Accepts Pastorate at Quincy, Ill.

The Reverend E. A. Thompson, class of 1913, has been called to the Union Congregation church at Quincy, Ill. He began his pastorate there March 14. He was Camp General Secretary of the Y. M. C. A. at March Field, Riverside, Calif., during the period of war and was so successful that he was asked to take charge of the "after war work" in the state of California, and to become assistant secretary for the whole Western department, but he decided to accept the call to the church at Quincy instead. His present address is 470 Hampshire st., Quincy, Ill.

The following is clipping taken from the "Riverside (Calif.) Enterprise:

"Rev. E. A. Thompson, Y. M. C. A. secretary at Marchfield since last May, has received notice by wire last night that he had been given a unanimous call to the Union Congregation church at Quincy, Ill. This is one of the largest and most influential churches between Chicago and Kansas City and has been served by some of the best known men of the Congregational denomination.

Previous to entering Y. M. C. A. work at the outbreak of the war, Mr. Thompson was pastor of the Congregation church at Greeley, Colo.

During his residence here Mr. Thompson has won many friends in the city as well as the warmest admiration of the men at Marchfield."

CAMPUS DAY

What about a Campus Day this year? Spring house-cleaning is beginning and reminds us of the campus house-cleaning we use to have. Let's have another one this year similar to the ones we used to have. Why not put on overalls and aprons in the morning and furbish up the campus a bit, then celebrate in the afternoon? We might have a rousing all-college festival with a picnic dinner at noon, a spring fete, historical pageant, or some other such original production.

If you have any ideas or suggestions for the event, why not talk them over with your neighbors or leave them in the Almanian box?

Advertise in the Almanian.

Y. M. and Y. W. C. A.

Professor Sheldon Writes on Importance of the Organizations.

The consideration of the importance of college Christian associations necessarily forces one to ask, "What is the object of all education, and what is the proper relation of the Christian associations in a college to the fundamental object for which the college was established?"

A survey of the history and principles of education shows that the real object of all education from primitive times until the present has been fundamentally the same, namely, the preparation of the individual for membership in society. It makes on difference whether we examine the initiation ceremonies of the Australian Bushmen, the ordeals of the North American Indians, or the highly developed and specialized educational systems of England, Germany, or the United States, still in all there is the effort to socialize the individual by transmitting to him the inherited culture and institutions of his race. In each case the adult generation does its duty by the rising generation only in so far as this bequeathal of inherited culture is complete, and the growing individual is prepared for useful life as a member of the larger social community.

An individual who is selfish and does not give of his life and energy for the service of society is not prepared for life in the social organism. He becomes a social parasite, producing social disease, and is as much an injury to society as are the parasites or bacteria which prey upon the physical organism, producing physical disease. Hence, the primary object of all education is to train the individuals of the rising generation so they will be of service to society.

The daily recitations and classroom lectures may impart to the student a theoretical knowledge of his relation and obligations to society, but, as in chemistry and biology, there is need for a laboratory, so here there is also need for a laboratory in social service in order to make clear the theory taught and to give the student some actual practice in service to humanity. This is exactly what the Christian associations in a college can and should supply—a laboratory in which students may learn and practice real service to society. The various activities and committees of the associations are planned for this very purpose.

Lack of space forbids the mention of the various lines of service the associations can and should promote, both for the student community and for the community surrounding the college, but the fact remains that in the activities of the Christian associations is to be found the training in real service to society which will give point and meaning to the whole educational process and without which on student is really educated.

From a purely educational point of view this vital relation of the Y. M. and Y. W. C. A. to the fundamental object of all education gives these associations a place of first importance among the various student organizations and activities. A college is not doing its best work without proper student organizations such as literary societies, athletic and debating teams, etc., but a careful study of them all in relation to the purpose of the entire educational process shows that the Christian associations have a place of first importance in the life and work of a college.

Watch for posters! Many suggestions will be offered for service in foreign fields as well as at home. A plea has been received from Korea proving that all kinds of work is needed abroad.

Think them over!

"Where did you get the word Satan?"

"Oh, that's merely an Old Nick name!"

THE NEW COACH TAKES CHARGE

Ike Field Looking Over the Aspirants for Baseball and Track.

Coach Ike Field arrived Monday and took charge of the baseball aspirants. Tuesday afternoon cold weather kept the men indoors. Wednesday Field led his array of would-be fence-busters to the green and set them at work. Bunting and chasing flies was the program of the day and most of the boys were glad when he sounded retreat after an hour of exertion. The same program was followed the rest of the week, only more of it each day. No one is complaining of sore arm yet, but a number have sore muscles and a tendency to keep in the hay mornings. Friday afternoon he had them sprinting back and forth across the green and a number evidenced a lack of wind.

The methods of Coach Field follow the same principle of coaching that Helmer had developed. Hard work and plenty of it seems to be the fate of the men who represent the Maroon and Cream this spring. The diamond is being put in shape and next week will see the shaping of the infield for the Mt. Pleasant and M. A. C. games.

With practically three teams out for practice daily Field's job of selecting the first team will be difficult. The place that will see the biggest fight will be second base. A number have signified their intention of trying for the keystone sack. Ardis and Warner at first and third respectively, have seen at least one campaign but will be pushed to the limit to hold their jobs. Pelton at center field and Fitch, catcher, are certain of their positions.

With four men going good the pitching staff will be well taken care of. Boyne, of course, will head it. Cash, a former Alma high school star, and Crittenden of Howell are showing plenty of speed.

It is hard to tell just what each man will do when they get on the diamond next week, but it is certain that Tomion of Howell, Johnstone of Tawas City, and Fillmore of Akron will have to be counted in.

A NEW FEATURE

Interesting Course Is Offered by Chemical Department.

The women of the college taking chemistry have been trying of late to get out of the "ten acre lot" of the campus. Professor West has been calling upon the members of the class for reports upon the various states of the union as to their mineral, agricultural and climatic advantages. On the Friday preceding vacation the class was given a "Trip Around the World" by means of seventy-three colored slides.

Last Friday a lively debate was held discussing the practicability and applicability of science in work about the home.

Few people realize the advantages and possibilities of the various shorter courses that are offered in the college curriculum. This course is probably as broad and practical as any and has proven very interesting. A large number of the young women of the college have taken advantage of it and are gaining a great deal from it. The lessons for the remainder of the year will include considerable reference work on modern chemical topics.

A man should get up early enough to see the sunrise with the view of getting to work early, and not with the view of writing poetry.

PHI-PHILO PARTY

Affiliated Societies Enjoy Pleasant Evening in Philo Room.

The annual entertainment of Phi Phi Alpha literary society by Philomathean was held on Saturday evening, April 5, in the society room at Wright Hall. To say that the party was a decided success is not in the least an exaggeration, for from beginning to end the evening was filled with amusement, fun and frolic.

The invaders of the secluded domain were ushered through the halls by the careful and competent guidance of Eva Ardis. Before hand the warning had been sounded and to careful observers there was little to be seen of peculiar interest until we arrived safe within the bounds of the Philo room. The reception committee, composed of all the Philos, welcomed every Phi with the glad hand of affiliation.

Louise Bacon, mistress of ceremonies, lost no time in bringing the fifty or more people to order. Under her direction partners were ingeniously arranged and various games and amusements were soon in full swing. The millinery exhibit was first on the program and needless to say several of the fair ones looked quite masculine under the trimmings arranged by their male partners, and in many cases were it not for the garb of the men it would have been extremely difficult to have determined their sex. It was not known before that we had so many female men in the college. The first prize was awarded to Helen Kneeland and the last one to Erma Gates. The contest was competently judged by Howard Burtch, Neil Calkins, and Lyle De Barnhardt.

The selection of partners for the next game was left to the girls and it was quite surprising to many to learn who would be the choices on Friday nights if the girls were to have their say.

A bowling contest was held, of which "Tubby" Sartor was acclaimed victor.

The time for serving the lunch came around all too quickly. Marion Reed, Virginia Blick, Ruby Hamilton, and Louise Hainline saw to it that no one went hungry. It may be suggested that the Wright Hall lunch committee can very well take a few pointers from these satisfiers of the human craving. These ladies certainly know the shortest route to a man's heart—through his stomach.

The party was ably chaperoned by Miss Conyne and Mrs. Beardsley. At 11 o'clock the evening's enjoyment was forced to an end, and for another year the Phi-Philo party was over. The party was dispersed with the society yells and every Phi agreed that Philomathean knows how to entertain.

VICTORY LIBERTY LOAN

The Fifth Liberty Loan is So Designated.

The Fifth Liberty Loan has become the Victory Liberty Loan and the Victory drive the government is launching is a campaign that is equally as important as the other Liberty Loan campaigns it has so successfully carried out.

The cost of the war, up to New Year's Eve, stood at twenty-two billion dollars. Part of this has been taken care of but a great deal is still a debt. Since the middle of November the Treasury has been borrowing at the rate of \$600,000,000 every two weeks. It is an enormous sum and means the support of every individual. Patriotism and sacrifice for service now, and in this new drive is just as important as it was before the war. Everyone needs to help.

Special workers in the Victory Loan drive are to be awarded medals made from captured German cannon.

How many of us are blessings? Let's change the subject, and talk about the weather and everything.

A REAL OLD-TIME RECEPTION

Stag Affair Held Last Thursday Night a Grand Success.

Attracted by the music in the "Y" room last Thursday night the men of the college gathered for a real old-time reception and before it was over everyone agreed that it was one of the best that has been held in years. At 7:10 the men started the fun with Pelton officiating at the piano. This ended up with the old-fashioned square dance. Following this, several games of "Head in the Hat," were started much to the enjoyment of all. Dr. Brokenshire especially gave his approval by his actions. Baker came in at this juncture and demanded that we cease our hilarity and let him have his say which was granted him. The result of his speech as yet has not been seen but needless to say it will have its effect. We then went over to see and entertain the girls. The men then snake-danced down town and back to the "Idlehour" where we were treated with the show. The orchestra did splendid work and the music of the coach and of Mr. Bell created the sensations of the evening. Next we were invited up to St. Alma's which was not long in being accepted. Following this treats were given by DeLuxe and the European, and several of our most illustrious and imposing freshmen gave us a few words of advice and counsel which were greatly needed it seems. Upon coming back to the college the men formed the large "A" over in the green under the leadership of "Bullet." Everyone then returned to the "Y" room where we all enjoyed the feed of doughnuts and coffee, after which we were entertained by Sharrar on "Memories," which all could appreciate.

Following this we retired, everyone claiming that it was the biggest success of the year. Much credit must be given to the officers of the Y. M. C. A. for putting on such an excellent evening. "Bill" Richards, Davies and "Fluey" deserve special credit for making the reception a grand success.

GETS PLACES

Two of Alma's Men Placed on All State Teams.

Coach Young of Kalamazoo in picking his all state team for the past season names Fay Anderson of Alma as the center and also gives him the position of captain. "Andy" is without a doubt, according to Coach Young, a peer in intercollegiate basketball. His playing all year has left this fact without a doubt in the minds of all Alma people who have seen him play. "Andy" is a sophomore in college and was captain of the college team this year. He was also a member of last year's quintet that tied Kazoo for the championship and according to the Kazoo players he was the one who enabled Alma to defeat Kazoo down there when according to dope that hadn't a chance.

On the second team he picked Sinclair Tebo, also of the Alma team. Tebo, as we all know, is a fine guard as Alma has had for years. In fact we have seen no one who was any better in the whole intercollegiate this year. At Adrian, Frank, their fast little forward, did not succeed in caging a single one and remarked after the game that it was the first game this year that he had failed to get a basket. Both Anderson and Tebo will be back next year as well as the other members of the team so with the experience that they have received this year we should make a wonderful showing.

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NOTICE

All material for the Almanian except week end happenings should be in the Almanian box by the Friday noon preceding the issue for which it is intended. It is important that all who contribute bear this in mind.

BASEBALL

The following taken from the Detroit Free Press expresses the rivalry that will exist in the race for the M. I. A. A. baseball championship. Both Albion and Alma are confident of victory. Kalamazoo also expects a snappy team:

Albion, Mich., March 16—When Alma college comes to Albion May 30 for the biggest home baseball game or the season, prior to the Field Day games, pitted against each other will be two of the best known athletes who ever wore the Albion letter.

Both the Presbyterians and Methodists now are coached by former star athletes of Albion college. Coach "Ike" Field, who has taken the reins at the upstate college, was one of the few Albion men who were able to get letters in track, baseball, basketball and football. The record in the broad jump in the M. I. A. A. still is held by the present Alma mentor. Coach Harry Ellerby, who will handle the Albion baseball squad this spring, comes to the position with as fine a baseball record as any athlete who ever left the institution. He probably never had a superior as a third baseman, and while he was with the Southern Michigan he also made a most brilliant record. He has the confidence of the entire student body and the alumni to an unusual degree.

Albion expects one of the best teams that ever represented the Methodists. It will be headed by former-Lieutenant Clark Dean, captain of 1919, who is known in the M. I. A. A. as one of the best hitters who ever broke up a game. Albion has several other former athletes who have returned from the service and will be out for the team. Due to war conditions and the early closing in 1918, when college ended in May, the locals have had no baseball team for two seasons, but in college there are several of the stars of the 1916 team, who will serve as a nucleus for this year's aggregation.

Albion opens the season with Hillsdale college at Hillsdale April 21. The Baptists look to be dangerous this year, with plenty of good material on hand.

ALPHA THETA PARTY

Thursday, March 27th, was the twenty-ninth birthday of Alpha Theta, and at 10:00 o'clock the society gathered to celebrate the event. Everyone was happy, and soon a large circle was formed, and the girls sitting on the floor, talking and laughing softly in their restrained hilarity. Soon someone whispered "Chocolate or vanilla ice cream?" And then the ex-president, Iva Nunn, came in with "the cake" and put it right in the center of the circle where everyone could see it. It had twenty-nine candles all burning brightly for Alpha Theta. Of course, everyone had a big piece and enjoyed it immensely.

Then the vice president, Grace Gillard, very surprisingly arose and with an interesting speech, presented Alpha Theta with a cut-glass cream and sugar set from the senior girls. The president, Beatrice Koepfgen, next gave a short talk; and the party soon ended because the next day was vacation and everyone needed to hurry. All departed wishing Alpha Theta many more such happy birthdays.

The attitude most of us assume: "There will be no quarrel. I'll attend to yours."

PLEASANT EVENING

Retiring Cabinet of Y. W. C. A. Entertain New Cabinet.

On Wednesday evening, March 19, 1919, a very pleasant event occurred. The members of the old and retiring cabinet gave the new cabinet members a very delightful banquet. The room was attractively decorated. Sprays of Daffodills decorated the tables and even the pretty little daffodil favors carried out the idea of spring.

Miss Mildred McConky, who has been president of the Y. M. C. A. for the past year, acted as toastmistress, and introduced the speakers with her usual charm. Miss Grace Gillard first gave an interesting toast, "How the Year 'Flu,'" in which she gave a brief resume of the year and the work the Y. W. C. A. had attempted to accomplish.

Miss Vernie Green, the new president responded to the toast, "Off again, on again." This was especially appropriate as Miss Green was elected to the presidency of Y. W. C. A. two years ago but was unable to return to college. She expressed the desire of the new cabinet as well as herself to fulfill their duties to the best of their abilities.

In the toast, "Our Legacy to the New Girls," Miss Erma Gates wished the new cabinet the same work as they themselves had had.

Miss Virginia Blick's toast, "From Heathen to White Folks," was most suitable and pleasing. Miss Blick has held the office of missionary chairman on the old cabinet and is now holding the office of secretary.

Our student field representative, Beatrice Koepfgen, next gave the toast, "Our Travelling Secretary." She had just returned from the Y. W. C. A. conference in Chicago and had much of interest for the cabinets.

Miss Robinson, who acts on the advisory committee, spoke of the work of the cabinets from the view point of one who has been in close contact with them.

Her talk was of very much value and the story with which she ended the toast was an inspiration to the members of the cabinet. The thought was of always seeking for the best in life, for one finds only what one is looking for."

The banquet was an exceptional affair in every way. The menu was delicious and the whole spirit of the evening, especially the toasts were characteristic of the Y. W. C. A.

It was indeed an enjoyable affair and served as a pleasing beginning to the work of the new cabinet.

Y. W. C. A.

At the meeting of the Y. W. C. A. held on April 6, the first to be held in the new term, Miss Beatrice Koepfgen was leader. After the usual opening exercises, she gave an interesting report of her experiences at Lake Geneva, and a more detailed account of the meeting at Chicago of the Field Secretaries.

The first part of her talk was a general outline of the life at the Lake Geneva Conference. Having spoken on this before, she merely re-emphasized the chief features of the conference. The good will and fellowship of the girls at the camp, and also the fine opportunities and friends found there. The men who conduct the classes; and their personal interest in their pupils, made the instruction there invaluable.

Then, Miss Koepfgen spoke of the conference at Chicago and of the great interest there. After briefly outlining the meetings, she told of their conference with the Women's Industrial League, and the work the league was accomplishing. Girls are cared for through misfortune, accident, and sickness, girls of ability are given the scholarships of the league, which enables them to go to college. The league tries to make the lot of the laboring girl a pleasant one and tries to give them every opportunity and advantage. In conclusion Miss Koepfgen left with us a desire to go to Lake Geneva and her appeal to reconsider the Y. W. C. A. pledge and what it means, was not without force.

The high honor extended to her as a Field Secretary of Michigan makes us feel proud of her as a student of Alma College.

Sleepy Sam: "Dey say dat steady drippin' of water'll wear away a stone."

Boozy Bill: "Jes' t'ink, den, wot'd happen t' a man's stomach by pourin' glassfuls inter it!"

JUNGLE DREAMS

Tobby Wild Cat and Bruin Bear Were Guests at Wright Hall Wednesday.

When the Wright Hall girls woke up Wednesday morning they thought that they had been drafted or to the jungle in their dreams, for 'round the corners fierce denizens of the forest met their startled glances. Here was a grizzly ready to do a most dastardly deed of hugging. There was a fierce wild-cat ready to spring in their faces; and goodness knows how many boa-constrictors, mice and tigers were lurking in the shadows!

Fortunately only a second glance was required to discover that each animal was firmly anchored to a base and wasn't capable of even a yawn. Evidently someone had remembered at the last moment that it was April fool's day and so had tried to play a joke in the museum. The animals haven't had an airing for a long time, so it's no wonder that they're frisky.

PHILOMATHEAN

The meeting of Philomathean literary society on Monday, March 17, was opened by the Lord's Prayer. Roll call was responded to by an interesting fact about Poland, which was the subject of discussion for the evening. A short business meeting followed. The program was opened by Helen Huff, who gave an excellent paper on "The Music of Poland." Miss Huff discussed the national spirit of Polish music, and especially two forms of musical composition which are distinctly Polish, the Mazurka and the Polonaise. Following this paper, Ellen Doty reviewed "Quo Vadis" by Henryk Sienkiewicz. Miss Doty succeeded splendidly in bringing out the spirit of the story, and especially in carrying her listeners back into the old Roman setting. The program was closed with Paderewski's Minuet, which was played by Ruby Hamilton. The meeting of the society was then adjourned until after the holidays.

OFFICERS' TREAT

On Saturday evening the members of Alpha Theta enjoyed the "officers' treat." The rugs and chairs mysteriously disappeared and the Victrola became the most popular piece of furniture. The room resounded with gay chatter and laughing voices. After several merry dances a program was given. Charlotte and Vernie each sang for us which was very enjoyable, as were the several numbers of Galli Curci and Fritz Kreisler which followed.

After a short time the officers (not cops) came in with lemonade and a bushel basket filled with sacks of eats, the latter being on small part of the indoor picnic. Marion Cooper, one of the presidents of last year, arrived in time to help join in the Alpha Theta song. At ten-thirty the gay party adjourned and the rugs and chairs assumed their natural order.

PHI PHI ALPHA

In a business meeting of Phi Phi Alpha, held last week, the following men were elected as officers for the ensuing term:

President—Stephen Nesbit.
Vice president—Myrddyn Davies.
Secretary—Thomas Jackson.
Treasurer—Neil Calkins.
First critic—Carrol Wenger.
Second critic—Willard Beshgetoor.
Reporter—Robert Schultz.
Marshal—Caris Sartor.
Janitor—Wayne Wenger.
Assistant Janitor—Marshall Richards.

After the meeting the society adjourned to meet at the DeLuxe where our new janitor showed the society that he appreciated the honor bestowed upon him, following which we were given a treat at the show by the new president.

FROEBEL

The meeting of the Froebel society March 17, 1919, was held in Wright Hall. Roll call was responded to by many interesting and amusing St. Patrick quotations.

After business matters were briefly discussed, Lona Voelker gave a paper on the "Russian Life." She told of many conditions which prevailed there, of the attempts to continue the old ways and customs of the robberies which occurred, and of the efforts to establish the new systems. The meeting was adjourned after the reports of the critics.

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WELCOME NEWS

S. A. T. C. Men Are to Receive Two Months' Pay.

Much interest has been aroused by the statement of the war department allowing all military men \$60. This is of special interest to our Alma men who have been in the service.

The substance of the telegram from the war department is as follows:

"That all persons serving in the military or naval forces of the United States during the present war who have since April 6, 1917, resigned or been discharged under honorable conditions (or in case of reservists, been placed on inactive duty) or within one year after the termination of the present war in the case of officers, may resign or be discharged under honorable conditions (or in the case of reservists, be placed on inactive duty) shall be paid, in addition to all other amounts due them in pursuance of law \$60.00 (sixty dollars) each. This amount shall not be paid:

(1) To any person who though appointed or inducted into the military or naval forces on or prior to November 11, 1917, had not reported for duty at his station on or prior to such date, or

(2) To any person who has already received one month's pay under the provisions of section 9 of the act entitled "An act to authorize the president to increase temporarily the military establishment of the United States," approved May 18, 1918, or

(3) To any person who is entitled to retired pay, or

(4) To the heirs or legal representatives of any person entitled to such payment under this section who has died or may die before receiving such payment.

The above amount, in the case of separation from the service on or prior to the passage of this act, shall be paid as soon as practicable after the passage of this act and in the case of separation from the service after the passage of this act shall be paid at the time of such separation.

All persons separated from active military service from April 6, 1917, to date of receipt of this instruction, who are entitled to the \$60.00 (sixty dollars) bonus in reference, and who have received their final pay will forward claim for such bonus to the Zone Finance Officer, Lemon Bldg., Washington, D. C., who is hereby designated to settle such claims. Such applications must contain: (a) The discharge certificate or order for the discharge or release, if no certificate was issued, but both certificate and order if both were issued, the paper bearing indorsement of final payment being required; (b) A statement of all military service since April 6, 1917, showing place and date of reporting at first military station, and (c) Address to which check is to be sent. When settlement is made all personal papers will be returned to applicant with check."

EXCHANGES

M. A. C. is making extensive plans for tennis tournaments. Girls may substitute a certain amount of tennis for gym work.

The Hillsdale Collegian announces the order of the Student Council, saying that all Freshmen men shall wear green caps. The custom was not enforced at the beginning of the year because of the S. A. T. C.

Hope students held a Victory Day mass meeting some time ago to celebrate their triumphs in oratory and athletics.

The Kalamazoo College Glee Club is meeting with great success in its annual tour this year.

Adrian killed Alma's hope of a basketball championship, but what about baseball?

Albion is working hard on debate. Interclass preliminaries have proven very successful.

"He Watched Out for a Drink"

The young, witty-looking Tommy was leaning gracefully across the counter in the bar of the Cow and Caterpillar.

Every now and then he would give a twitch to his left arm.

"Shell shock!" whispered a sympathetic observer. "Poor fellow!"

"I wonder if he will tell us his experiences?" said another man.

The subject of their remarks then turned to them, and remarked amiably:

"I wonder if I shall ever make this wrist watch go?"

NEWS ITEMS

Mr. and Mrs. Foster Fraker and family, who have been living in Big Rapids during the last year, are visiting at the home of R. F. Fraker.

Maynard A. Cook of Chicago visited his parents, Prof. and Mrs. A. P. Cook last week.

Bernice Brooks, Kg. '18, was a Wright Hall visitor Thursday. Bernice is teaching in Howell this year.

T. Arnold Robinson has been appointed chairman of the Victory Loan Campaign committee for Gratiot county. Mr. Robinson has set the goal at \$1,000,000.

Mrs. William Ewing and little son, Philip, of Howell, are visiting Prof. and Mrs. J. T. Ewing.

Frank Bittner, of last year's class, who is now a "Fellow" in chemistry at Purdue University, expects to teach chemistry in Throop College, Pasadena, California, this coming year.

Ralph Dean, ex '21, who has been with the A. E. F. in France expects to attend either the University of Paris or one of the English universities.

Donald Smith and T. Arnold Robinson have accepted second lieutenantcies in the aviation reserve.

Bess Brown and Marion Cooper of last year's class visited friends in Alma over the week end.

Gladys Bradner, who is studying music in Chicago, visited friends and relatives in Alma during spring vacation.

"Jimmy" Howe, who enlisted from the freshman class last year and has been serving in the navy, has returned from France just recently.

Mr. Roy Phillips, class of 1914, has been re-elected superintendent of schools at Marlette.

Miss Marion Reid spent the vacation with Virginia Blick in Detroit.

John Johnson of Tawas City has been enrolled as a student. Mr. Johnson has just returned from France.

Ed. Knighton was a campus visitor last week. He was on a furlough from Camp Lee, Virginia, and has now returned.

Claudia Swanson spent the vacation with Gretchen Gies at her home in Reese.

Bill Murphy has returned to Alma to continue his much interrupted college course. Bill has been serving in the navy and has just recently received his discharge.

Miss Pearl Lynch, Miss Lelia Weston and Hilda Cashmore of Wyandotte were the guests of Pearl Cashmore last week.

Dr. MacCurdy conducted a very interesting chapel service Wednesday, March 19.

Professor F. E. West was one of the judges at the Ithaca-Ann Arbor debate at Ithaca last Friday.

Professor H. M. MacCurdy will give a paper at the meeting of the Michigan Academy of Science at Ann Arbor this week.

ALPHA THETA

The society met as usual on Monday, March 17th. The theme for the evening was music and musicians. For roll call the name of a famous musician and his chief production were given. Miss Mabel Field responded to an impromptu: "Cyril Scott's Brilliant Defense of Modernism in Music." We were then treated to a beautiful piano solo rendered by Miss Helen Barnes. We immediately proceeded to the business of the evening, which necessitated the shortening of our program.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing term:

President—Beatrice Koepfgen.
Vice president—Grace Gillard.
Secretary—Grace Duffy.
Treasurer—Margaret Moore.
Corresponding secretary—Persis Robinson.

First critic—Iva Nunn.
Second critic—Gertrude Peters.
Almanian reporter—Florence Purdy.

Guide—Mable Field.
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Miss Geneva Parker was received into the membership of the society after the business meeting.

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CAMPUS BREEZES

Cary thinks that a static machine manufacturing about 60,000 volts is a dangerous instrument to have around. He says, "Why that might kill some one."

Prexy seems to have some rather touching experiences of late.

When "Eddie" Boyne was asked, "How do you get down off an elephant" the brazen thing said, "you don't get down off an elephant you get it from my upper lip."

More "Rough House" in Pioneer. "Rich" and "Barney" have moved in.

We have heard it rumored around that a certain building on the campus is to be turned into a cafeteria. Pie a la mode will be the speciality.

The C. O.'s office and Orderly Room have been turned into a lion's den. Johnson and Wyatt moved in.

M. M.—"Well, I've never wanted to be a man. You miss half the joys of life."

R. S.—"What's that?"

M. M.—"Why, the joy of a man."

P. M. (innocently)—"Some of us miss even that."

B. M. (more innocently)—"Oh, I didn't know that you meant I was going to be an old maid."

Our colored brethren "fessed up" in chapel the other morning when they rendered "Tis Me O Lord."

The verdant members of our college family are sprouting new colors. Class meeting last Wednesday resulted in blue and gold for the freshies.

Several students have tried the tennis courts. Why not have a snappy tournament this year? Let's get the courts fixed up and put in some good practice.

A Taxi-Tad

Some of the taxis on the way to Alma must have had a smash-up on the way. Johnstone was the only successful chauffeur.

We were fortunate in having ten days vacation this spring. Last year we didn't have any.

Spring

Stunning hats
Pioneer housecleaning
River Pine
Interesting walks
Nature Study (in the jungle)
Grand symphony!

Wright Hall Dope

Correct Gentleman—"Waiter, do you call this stuff margarine or margarine?"

Trained Swipe—"Well sir, I'd be discharged if I called it anything but butter."—Ex.

And He Didn't

"Remember, my son," said his mother as she bade him good-bye, "when you get to camp try to be punctual in the morning so as not to keep breakfast waiting."

There is no fixed rule in life for the benefit of mankind. Samson got into trouble because he had his hair cut, and Absalom got into trouble because he didn't.

An American Maid's Lament
By "Su Fragette."

The menace of the motto,
"Made in Germany is past;
A peril more appalling
Now confronts the nation vast—
A "Waterloo" awaits us girls,
We do not stand a chance;
Far worse than "Made in Germany,"
For us, is "Maid in France."
—Judge.

"An ounce of pluck is worth a ton of luck."

"Still, if I had luck coming my way by the ton I wouldn't do any kicking."

Army Pay.

Signal Corps officer tells of over-hearing the following:

Inquisitive Visitor—How much do you boys receive?

Bright Buck—Thirty dollars a day—once a month, ma'am.

Urgent.

"My little boy is ill, doctor. Can you come at once?"

"Sorry, but I shan't be able to get around for an hour."

"For heaven's sake, do! It may be a case of life or death."

"Why, is it as bad as that?"

"Not yet. But my wife's got ideas of her own on what to do if I shouldn't find you in and I am afraid she'll do it."

Had Money to Burn

Return to America for the American soldiers who have camped in England for half a year without ever seeing the French front means a return to a land where paper money looks like their idea of money. One disconsolate private was accosted at Eagle Hut, London, the big Y. M. C. A. center.

"What's the matter, son?" asked a Red Triangle secretary.

"I was just thinking I'd like some of those pancakes, sir," the private answered mournfully.

"And you're broke, heh?" the Red Triangle man guessed from long experience.

"Yes, sir."

"Been a long time since pay day?"

"No sir, we were paid last Saturday."

"Lost your money?"

"Well, you might call it that."

"Stolen?"

"No sir. You see, sir, there was some of us walking home last night and I pulled out my cigarettes and passed them around. I thought they tasted a bit funny, at the time. And then this morning I discovered that I'd burned up all my money. It was those blame little ten shilling notes, made out of tissue paper."

Girl Had Sense

"None ever loved you half as well as I do," he said to her.

She made no answer.

"How did you come to love me?" he pleaded. Still the girl refused to speak, although she smiled encouragingly at this.

"Your name is written on my heart. The world is dark without you. I've built a bungalow for you and me. Let us fly to an isle in the tropic sea. The kiss you gave me set my heart on fire."

The girl was not offended. She scowled a little, but not at him. She seemed in deep thought. Suddenly she looked into his pleading orbs.

"No," she said. "Nothing like that."

"My Ooola-loola girl. When—" The girl shook her head and left the counter.

The young salesman had been naming the latest popular songs. Doesn't sound much like a national anthem epidemic does it?

Alma First Game

Cigar was in the box with plenty of smoke.

Measles was catching.

Adam played first.

Lard was in for shortening.

Beans filled the other two sacks.

Corn was in the field.

And Grass covered lots of ground.

Cain made a base hit.

And Jacob made a sacrifice.

Spider caught a fly.

And eye was put out on third.

Balloon was up in the air.

And Weasel stole all the bases.

Crows came home to roost.

Beats were dead.

And cabbage won by a head!

Hurrah!!

A Supposition

The orderly officer was on his usual round. "Any complaints?" His voice sounded above the din of knives and forks.

"Yes sir!" answered a healthy looking representative of the Tommy Atkins tribe. "This 'ere blinking joint's raw!"

"Look here, my man," said the officer, after due examination, which proved the complaint to be justified. "Do you know that Captain Webb trained on raw beef in order to swim the channel?"

"Oh," said Tommy Atkins, "I thought as 'ow we was goin' across in boats."

"I could have bought farm land once in what is now the center of Chicago. If I had done it, I'd be rich now."

"We all have those vain regrets," opined the grocer. "If I had every potato I've stuck on the spout of a kerosene can, I'd be wealthy beyond the dreams of avarice."—Pittsburgh Chronicle-Telegraph.

A BRIBE

Lady of the House—You say you will do me a favor if I give you a meal.

Ragged Rodgers—Yes, lady. De hobo at yer front gate says you are "old, homely and stingy," an' I'll change it so's ter make it read "young, handsome and generous."

It has come to pass that a farmer mates to hitch up a team of horses. He would rather crank up.

On Turkey

Dr. Harry Garfield said, apropos of the capitulation of Turkey:

"A man was carrying home the other night rather ostentatiously a large, unwrapped turkey. On the way he met his daughter, and, flourishing the bird before her, he said:

"Turkey's surrendered, all right. How's this for a regular old-Constantinople, my dear?"

"It's fine," the girl answered, "but I think you might have asked for a Bagdad."

Two street sweepers, seated on a curbstone, were discussing a comrade who had died the day before.

"Bill certainly was a good sweeper," said one.

"Y-e-s," conceded the other thoughtfully, "but—d'ont' you think he was a little weak around the lamp-posts?"

Didn't Mean the Skirlers

A certain conceited subaltern, a too obvious Londoner, found his way into a Scottish regiment, where his blatant Cockneyisms created irritation.

One morning he walked into the mess and wanted (rather too loudly) to know why the "poipers" had not arrived.

The adjutant looked at him reproachfully.

"When you have been in the regiment a little longer, sir," he said, "you will learn that the pipers do not play till the evening."

Ignorant Lady

"Military ignorance is bound to show itself," said Representative Woodyard in criticism of the German offensive. "All ignorance shows itself, for that matter."

"I heard a lady talking to a missionary the other day about a Turk. 'Did the scoundrel wear a fez?' the missionary asked.

"No," said the lady; 'he was clean-shaved.'"

Very few people do good unconsciously.

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Knew Them Both

The young instructor was holding a class on board of one of his majesty's ships. Grammar was the subject his bright but uninterested pupils were trying to tackle.

"What are the two principal parts of a sentence?" he asked an old salt. Expecting, of course, the answer, "Subject and predicate."

After much meditation Jack finally plunged into it.

"Solitary confinement and bread and water."

A Worthy Example

"We ought not to permit our patriotism to grow stale, now that the war is over."

"Certainly not," replied Maj. Blodgett. "I shall maintain my uncompromising attitude, sir, toward all slackers. In the future, as in the past, whenever I see a man too lazy to stand up or take off his hat when 'The Star-Spangled Banner' is being played, I shall have words with him, sir."

Skeptical Tommy—Yer quite certain there was two of 'em?

Yankee—Betcher life, bo, I heard one of 'em say, "Move up a bit, Fritz, I'm slipping off!"—Zig-Zag.

Yankee—Say boys, I brought a couple of Huns in last night on the end of my bayonet.

It's Time

"There is a lot of bad joke-making about the watch on the Rhine."

"Then it's about time it was wound up."

Not Much

Recruiting Sergeant—Are you single?"

Will-be Rookie—Do I look like twins?"

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