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Campus Day—Friday, the Second of May

ALMA DROPS FIRST GAME TO M. A. C.

Home Team on the Short End of 11 to 3 Score at East Lansing.

M. A. C. defeated East Lansing Saturday by a score of 11-3. The score does not do justice to the game however, as M. A. C. scored seven points on Alma in the first inning. After the first inning Boyne settled down and pitched fine ball. Both teams made four hits. M. A. C. had saved Donnelly, their first string pitcher for Alma having pitched a second string man against Kalamazoo the previous day. The showing made by the team was encouraging and gives Coach Field an excellent chance to work the team into shape. Although the hitting and fielding was not up to the standard this can easily be accounted for by lack of practice and also upon the fact that this was Alma's first game and the new men were a little unaccustomed to each other.

Score by innings:—
FIRST INNING—Alma: Cash struck out. Fitch grounded to short. Boyne struck out. No hit, no run, no error.

M. A. C.: Snider and Carr walked. W. Andrews hit by pitched ball. Hammes, Doscher, Johnson walked, forcing in first three men. Schneider hit with pitched ball forcing in Hammes. H. Andrews fouled to Fitch. Donnelly struck out. Snider hits for two sacks scoring Doscher, Johnson, and Schneider. Carr struck out. One hit, seven runs, no error.

SECOND INNING—Alma: Pelton fied to third. Johnson and Ardis struck out. No hit, no run, no error.

M. A. C.: W. Andrews struck out. Hammes to first on Ardis's error. Doscher grounded to Ardis. Johnson struck out. No hit, no runs, one error.

THIRD INNING—Alma: Williams struck out. Tomion walked. Richard's pop-fly fell safe. Cash struck out. Fitch grounded to Hammes. No hit, no run, one error.

M. A. C.: Schneider got life on Williams' error and stole second. H. Andrews struck out. Donnelly grounded to Cash. Snider struck out. No hit, no run, one error.

FORTH INNING—Alma: Boyne hit safely. Pelton flew out to center field. Johnson and Ardis struck out. One hit, no run, no error.

M. A. C.: Carr flew out to Pelton. W. Andrews popped to Boyne. Hammes gained first when his grounder went through Cash but was out at second. No hit, no run, one error.

FIFTH INNING—Alma: Williams walked and stole. Tomion out, Snider to Hammes. Richard singled to right field scoring Williams. Cash reached first on Snider's fumble and Richards scored. Fitch grounded out to second scoring Cash. Boyne out, Carr to Hammes. One hit, three runs, one error.

M. A. C.: Droscher out, Boyne to Ardis. Johnson and Schneider singled. Johnson scores and H. Andrews reaches first on Ardis's error. Donnelly flew out to Pelton scoring Schneider. H. Andrews scored and Snider reaches first on Tomion's error. Snider out stealing, Fitch to Cash. Two hits, three runs, two errors.

SIXTH INNING—Alma: Pelton grounded to first, Johnson beat out a hit to short. Ardis flew out to center field; Johnson was doubled on first. One hit, no run, no error.

M. A. C.: Crittenden pitching for Alma. Boyne right field. Carr

singled. W. Andrews struck out. Hammes fied to Pelton. Doscher out, Tomion to Ardis. One hit, no run, no error.

SEVENTH INNING—Alma: Williams grounded to pitcher. Tomion out, Hammes unassisted. Crittenden makes first on pitcher's error. Cash grounded out to Snider. No hit, no run, one error.

M. A. C.: Johnson grounded to Crittenden. Schneider reached first on Cash's error, but was pitched out at first, Fitch to Ardis. H. Andrews struck out. No hit, no run, no error.

EIGHTH—Alma: Fitch struck out. Boyne singled. Pelton struck out. Schneider made wonderful catch of Johnson's drive. One hit, no run, no error.

M. A. C.: Donnelly and Snider walked. Carr grounded to Crittenden. W. Andrews out, Williams to Ardis, scoring Donnelly. Hammes also grounded to Williams. No hit, one run, no error.

NINTH—Alma: Ardis struck out. Williams popped to first. Warner walked, out at second. No hit, no run, no error.

M. A. C.	AB	R	H	O	A	E
Snider, 2	3	1	1	1	4	1
Carr, ss	4	1	1	1	2	0
W. Andrews, 3	4	1	0	0	0	0
Hammes, 1	4	1	0	12	3	0
Doscher, cf	3	1	0	2	1	0
Johnson, c	3	2	1	10	1	0
Schneider, lf	3	2	1	1	0	0
H. Andrews, rf	4	1	0	0	0	0
Donnelly, p	3	1	0	0	1	2
Totals	31	11	4	27	12	3

Alma	AB	R	H	O	A	E
Cash, 2	4	1	0	1	1	2
Fitch, c	4	0	0	9	2	0
Boyne, p & rf	4	0	2	1	1	0
Pelton, cf	4	0	0	3	0	0
Johnson, lf	4	0	1	0	0	0
Ardis, 1	4	0	0	9	1	2
Williams, ss	3	1	0	1	2	1
Tomion, 3	2	0	0	0	1	1
Richards, rf	2	1	1	0	0	0
Crittenden, p	1	0	0	0	2	0
* Warner	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	32	3	4	24	10	6

* Batted for Tomion.

Summary: 2-base hit: Snider. Stolen bases: Williams, Schneider. Left on bases: Alma 4, M. A. C. 5. Double plays: Doscher to Hammes. Bases on Balls: Boyne 5, Crittenden 2; Donnelly 3. Hit by pitcher: Boyne 2. Struck out by Boyne 6, Crittenden 2; Donnelly 11. Umpire: Green.

TERPSICHOREAN EVENT

Froebel Springtime Dancing Party Held Saturday Evening.

The Froebel dance was held in Wright Hall on Saturday evening, at eight o'clock. The reception room was prettily decorated with spring beauties and pussy-willows. Dainty little programs with pussy-willow decorations also carried out the idea of spring. The girls were all dressed in simple, but most becoming party gowns. And when a lively march sounded forth from the Victrola, the grand march started, lead by Miss Robinson and Miss Conyne. The figures were the prettiest of the season.

After this everyone began dancing. There was the moonlight one-step, without a moon, the firefly waltz, without a fly, and a kiss waltz, without a kiss (except a candy kiss or two). No refreshments were served but everyone had a grand and glorious time.

WILL DELIVER ADDRESSES

President Harry Means Crooks will deliver commencement addresses at the following places this spring: Vestaburg, Watervliet, Edmore, Lansing, Cadillac, Reed City, Onaway, Petoskey, Ypsilanti, Saginaw, and Birmingham.

Hillsdale—May 2nd.

Friday—Campus Day!!!

ANNUAL AFFAIR WAS SOME STUNT

Swipa Betta Eata Entertained in Fine Style Last Friday Night.

Styles may come and styles may go but the Swipes' spread is the annual, always looked forward to, and never to be forgotten event. It seems that a German professor of chemistry in Germany claims that he can make a first-rate food of common wheat straw. It possibly is almost as valuable as shavings ironed into a batter and then made up into brown ringlets or batter cake formation which has been the cause of many an honest shudder. Instead of making a concentrated food, these worthy men who each day carry morsels of food to tempt even our intellect, concentrated their energy and with startling but adequate results. The news of the festivity spread, yes, even beyond Mt. Pleasant, and in order to reserve quarters two sprightly fowls made their appearance into the city on Sunday and were immediately arrested and locked up in the cooler. The swipes acting as judges set the trial for Tuesday night. A number of new cases had arrived and a jury having been chosen who knew nothing proceeded to administer justice without any qualms. Perhaps you would like to know who sat on the jury? Well, Emerson Ardis, Floyd Krueger and Fred Moore will go down in fame for their merciful metings out of pieces. And besides these were the rest of the Swipe Family and their guests, remarkable for their unusual interest in the affair. The roast chicken was delicious and proved to be the main point of interest even if coffee, olives slush, heavenly stuff, pie and mints followed in proper order. After some of the food had disappeared the decorations were the subject of conversation. You realize of course that there were some. Fragrant pink and white carnations formed the center pieces and crepe paper and place cards were added attractions.

About 8:30 everyone set out for the movie and Dean Roberts who is always ready to add to the joy and specialty of such occasions, granted later permissions. "Sapheads and Soapbuds" may have been a good title for the picture but it didn't apply to this merry and ingenious crowd.

Again the swipes have immortalized themselves and their entertainments and Bill, always ready to sacrifice for others, chased the shadow from his face and can now smile using his upper lip with the freedom and ecstasy of youth.

UNIVERSITY FELLOWSHIP

Lieut. Maurice Cole Receives Annual Award.

The University Fellowship this year has been awarded to Lieut. Maurice Cole, '15, who has been overseas with the American Expeditionary Forces for some time. While in college he took an active part in debate and other college activities.

The Fellowship is awarded annually to some Alma graduate whom the faculty deems most worthy of receiving that honor. It carries an honorarium of \$300. The holder must give to the University some return in service although he has most of his time free to pursue advance studies.

Last year the distinction was received by Miss Edith Layer, who is now at Ann Arbor doing advance work in English.

Montie McFarland '16, has been named as alternate this year.

VICTORY LOAN ADDRESS

Mrs. J. L. Hardy Gives Interesting Talk at Wright Hall.

Mrs. Jennie Law Hardy of Flint made a very interesting speech at Wright Hall Tuesday evening in the interest of the Victory Loan drive. Mrs. Hardy, who is an Australian by birth, received her education in Germany. In her address, Mrs. Hardy told of the change she found in Germany when she returned in 1911 after an absence of eleven years. She had liked the Germans before but on her return she was very disappointed to find them selfish, grasping and imbued with hatred for all who were not Germans, the Americans and English especially. Mrs. Hardy was taken for a German everywhere she went, so she heard many remarks which she would not have heard otherwise. She heard for example of the "Blutbad" or bath of blood, which the world was to receive and of the designs on the wealth of America. When Mrs. Hardy returned to America she tried to tell of the things she had heard and the evil they portended but she was only ridiculed.

Mrs. Hardy old many reasons why we should be glad to have an opportunity to buy bonds that we may give peace to the world. She spoke also of the trivality of the sacrifices we must make in comparison to the supreme sacrifices which have been gladly offered.

Mrs. Hardy has been prominent for many years in the suffrage movement in Michigan and since our entrance into the war, has been in demand as a Liberty Loan speaker. Her talk here no doubt was of much value.

SECOND ORATORICAL

Council Has Decided Upon Another Contest This Year.

Alma is to have a second oratorical contest this year. It is because the Council of Oratory and Debating has decided to hold the annual oratorical contest in the spring of the year, thus permitting the choice of a college representative early enough to that he will not be cramped for time in which to prepare his oration for the state contest.

This, being the first year that Alma has the change of date, means that we are to have our second oratorical contest this spring, May 14. The time is not far away. If we are to have a large number of contestants and a good local contest we cannot wait until the last minute to prepare for this contest. Alma is anxious to win in oratory, but she does not make adequate preparation for winning. Unless a number of students start working at once, this early contest will prove no more satisfactory than former contests and no benefit will be gained from it. Let's at least have a good number of contestants and give a wide choice for orators for next year. With a good orator and eight weeks of summer we should make a good showing in a state contest.

PHILOMATHEAN

Philomathean literary society held its regular meeting on Monday, April 21. The meeting was called to order by the vice president, Miss Jackson. The first part of the evening was taken up with a business discussion. The program dealt with Russian literature. This is the second evening which the society has given to the study of the literature of Russia. Fairy Tales and Fables of Russia by Sologut were read by Miss McBride. "The Sweet-Scented Name" and "Candles" were the selections taken as types. Miss McBride made these two selections very attractive. The meeting was then adjourned until Monday evening, April 28.

Pioneer Hall Open House, Saturday, May 3rd.

"ANGLO-AMERICAN RELATIONS" TALK

Friendship of Two Nations Subject of Interesting Chapel Lecture.

The students and faculty gave audience last Friday to the Reverend J. Roy VanWyke of Bay City. Chapel hour was extended, and the speaker gave a very instructive address on "Anglo-American Relations." Reverend VanWyke was for some time pastor of the First Presbyterian church at Chatham, Ontario, and was all the more interesting for his experience in Canada.

He spoke in defense of England as our ally; of the many criticisms, both just and unjust, that had been her lot throughout the past ages. He expressed his desire to pay tribute to the other allies of America, especially France and Belgium. But none of them, he maintained, was any nearer or more loyal than Mother England. One-third of the population of the world, he said, was in the British Empire and even Americans were her off-shoot. "From her we inherited our language, literature, education, and love of liberty. The Anglo love of liberty has become our liberty and to her monarchy we owe our republic. It was a spiritual alliance with the entente," he explained, "that drove us to arms." And it is to the interest of a world peace that we work with Great Britain for a common alliance. Race instincts must preserve us."

He explained one after another of the historical events in which England was an interested party. From the time the thirteen colonies separated, through the war of 1812, and the various antagonisms—the Oregon dispute, the Behring sea controversy, etc.—England had been looked upon as a hereditary enemy of our country.

But "in the war with Spain England was the only friend we had in Europe. Even France," he said, "joined the revolution because she hated England and not because she was anxious for an American republic." She only wished to supplant British sovereignty by French authority." But race instinct, which is uppermost in the Constitutional party in Britain, has made her friendship to all down through the years.

"In this war Britain's navy drove German commerce off the sea; raised an army of 8,500,000 men, the greatest army on the arid front of the war. In this army she captured almost half as many prisoners on the western front, and lost nearly as many men in one battle, as we did in the whole war. Canada sent six per cent of her population to the war and England, thirteen per cent, and yet some have dared to criticize."

But now "we are getting a conscience" and will grow into greater unity with England and her possessions. American school books must no longer "prevent the United States from coming into a sympathetic study of Great Britain. Our republican system and individual liberty are all derived from British democracy. There is a worse England and a better England but if we understand England with all her faults, better England will be our affinity and we, with a new Christianized spirit, will keep up the growing unity."

The speech was very well thought out, and Reverend Van Wyke presented many historical events in an entirely new light. His message should be a good topic for discussion among college students who have the future work of the world before them.

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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.

A PROCLAMATION

The observance of Arbor Day dates back more than half a century, and from the beginning it has had a civic motive and a patriotic association. This year, more than ever before, we have reason to give the day a patriotic setting. The great world war is over. Our soldiers and sailors and marines most nobly bore their part in the struggle. Many of them made the supreme sacrifice. Costly monuments will arise to commemorate their deeds, but meanwhile we can perpetuate their memories in familiar places. It has been happily suggested that we should adorn our yards, our waysides and our parks with young trees, each named for some one of Michigan's fallen sons.

It has been further suggested that in every city and village and township a Victory Elm should be planted to commemorate the great triumph of Freedom and Democracy.

It is fitting too that I should at this time call attention to the fact that Act number Fifty-nine of the Public Acts of 1919 makes it unlawful for any one to keep upon his premises mahonia bushes, or any variety of barberry bush which harbors and spreads the black rust of wheat and other grains. I therefore, recommend that these noxious shrubs be dug up and destroyed and their places given to harmless ornamental shrubs.

Therefore, I, Albert E. Sleeper, Governor of the State of Michigan, do hereby designate and set aside

Friday, May Second, 1919, as Arbor Day and I request that trees be planted as indicated above, in memory of our heroic dead.

I particularly request too that in all Michigan schools appropriate Arbor Day exercises be held, following, so far as practicable, the community program outlined by Mrs. Dora H. Stockman in Moderator-Topics of April 10, 1919.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State this seventeenth day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and nineteen, and of the Commonwealth the eighty-third.

Albert E. Sleeper,
By the Governor: Governor.
Coleman C. Vaughn,
Secretary of State.

COMMON COURTESIES

Courtesy is a favor too small to ask of anyone, and yet it is an essential that no one can afford to overlook. Americans are less pretentious and less formal than any of the Europeans in their common courtesies, but no one would dare to accuse a refined American of not being just as courteous. No more would a Senior or an upperman think to accuse an underclassman of impoliteness. But, sometimes a gentle reminder accomplishes wonders. Forgetfulness is often the cause of many "I meant to's," and the truly courteous are always grateful for any suggestions.

What can be said of underclassmen can be said of anyone. Courtesy can not be overlooked. Opening doors passing on sidewalks, offer many opportunities for the display of ordinary courtesies. It is when these are omitted that they are noticeable. True

courtesy consists almost wholly of unnoticeable kindnesses and it is something for college students to strive for.

If there are student activities and college functions that you wish to criticize, the courteous thing to do would be to send your criticisms to those who are responsible, and not to spread your view of the case until you are certain that it is the correct view. If it is the social life that you do not approve of, take your criticisms to the social committee; if it is the Almanian take it to the staff, or the control of athletics, take it to the manager. Oftentimes an explanation will clear up a number of things and true courtesy can then be enjoyed by all concerned.

GEOGRAPHY

Your geography probably began when you were in the primary grades proudly declaiming "George Elizabeth's old grandfather rode a pig home yesterday." It probably ended, or at least you thought it did, when you pushed away your books at the end of your work in the grammar grades. But how many times have you used it since?

Have you not read the newspapers a dozen times within the last few years, wishing that you knew just exactly where to locate St. Mihjel, Camp Kennedy, Vladavostock, and so on? How many times did you stop to look them up on the map? How many times did you think you could not bother about a little thing like that? But, would it not have been worth your while?

Geography is the study of the world. And in these days, when internationalism is the leading tone of civilization, geography cannot be omitted. It may not be possible to introduce the study of geography into the college curriculum, but at least, the college student should store away as part of the general information, a liberal knowledge of the earth and important places on its surface. Constant review by way of general attention should be practiced in this matter, for then only can college students maintain a broadened education such as is demanded of them in a new and important era of reconstruction.

PHI PHI ALPHA

The society meeting of April 21 was opened with prayer by R. Schultz. After a short business discussion the literary program was taken up. An interesting paper was read by E. Devereaux on "The Future of the Y. M. C. A. as a Result of the World War."

The paper brought out the many mistakes that had been made by the organization but explained them and showed how successful it had been in producing homelike influences in the many camps both in this country and in France. Williams gave an instructive technical paper on the "Operation of the Telegraph." He explained how different systems were employed and with what success they had been used. A paper entitled "The Bolsheviki Question and What It Stands For," was given by Hartzell Lyons. This was a very interesting paper and showed very clearly just what Bolshevism was. It is the most extreme kind of socialism. He told how Russia had been completely overrun and what destruction it was causing.

Impromptus were responded to by H. Johnstone on "The Meaning of the Victory Liberty Loan," and D. VanDuzen on "The Effect of Spring on the Students of Alma." Some very interesting remarks were made on both these subjects. The critics report was given by W. Beshgetoor. After the literary program was given, Roger Zinn and John Johnson were initiated into the society after which they responded with very interesting impromptus.

ALPHA THETA

The Alpha Theta society met as usual on Monday evening, April 21. Roll call was responded to by some current fact concerning the American Navy. The impromptu, "The Return of Admiral Sims," was given by Persis Robinson. "The Battleship Strength of the Five Leading Naval Powers" was given by Mabel Field. Florence Purdy read, "The History of the American Navy."

The articles were all very interesting, and a great deal of useful knowledge was gained from this program.

Inspection, Pioneer Hall, 8 p m., Saturday.

Y. W. C. A.

Miss Eva Ardis led a very pleasant meeting of Y. W. C. A. Sunday. A cheery fire was burning in the grate and the girls gathered about it in a truly homelike manner. Miss Jean Jackson, Miss Dorothy Reed and Miss Blanche Mashin spoke very interestingly on the different phases of leadership.

Miss Ardis closed the meeting with a short talk on the eight weeks club movement that is now causing so much interest throughout the colleges. Miss Margaret Wray is to be the guest of the Y. W. C. A. next Thursday and Friday and is to speak on the subject of eight weeks clubs. The girls are looking forward to her coming with great anticipation.

All out for a good time Friday!

ZETA SIGMA

The Zeta Sigma society held its meeting on Monday evening, April 21st. A paper entitled, "America's Latest Contribution to Literature" was given by Edwin Boyne. Among the most noteworthy we find our "Long Boy," Bob Adams. The above paper was very interesting.

This was followed by the election of officers, which are as follows:

- President—Don Smith.
- Vice president—Edwin Boyne.
- Secretary—Bob Adams.
- Treasurer—Roland Kern.
- Second critic—Charles Creaser.
- Janitor—Richard Bailey.

After the meeting the society gathered at the DeLuxe for a treat on the new officers.

Campus Clean Up and Good Time Friday!

FROEBEL

The Froebel society held their regular meeting on Monday, April 21. After the disposal of business matters an excellent paper was given by Birdie Harrison. She old of the "Russians in America," about their attitude and ways of life. One of the leading things they believe in, according to Miss Harrison, is "to take a rest."

After this Gladys Ball read a very interesting paper on the "Biography of F. Godor Dostoevsky." The motion was then made for adjournment.

Pioneer Hall Open House, Saturday, May 3rd.

COME TO THE MEETING

If you want to know about the eight weeks' club work for Y. W. C. girls and are anxious to do some definite social service, come to the meetings which will be held Thursday and Friday evenings while Miss Wray is here under the auspices of the Y. W. C. A.

Miss Wray is sent out from headquarters at Chicago and has charge of the eight weeks' club work in the Central Field of which we are a part. She will have news of interest for every girl, and all are cordially invited.

EXCHANGES

The annual Fresh-Soph class rush at M. A. C. was pulled and fought off April 19, on the drill field, leaving the Fresh with first honors of the day.

Hope has put out two six-page editions of the "Anchor" these last two weeks. Both were very well got up.

Kalamazoo College students enjoyed a Senior's minstrel show last week.

Hillsdale has decided to hold its local oratorical contest in the spring as most of the other colleges of the M. O. L. are now doing. She is planning on an active campaign for arousing interest in oratory and debate, and is hoping to have a large number of contests in the local contests which are scheduled for May 28 and 30.

She Knew Dear Thing

She was in a newspaper office, when an elderly man walked up and said to her: "I should like to get copies of your paper for a week back."

"Oh, yes," sympathized the girl. "I know. Auntie has it too. You can get them at the drug store right across the street. Ask for a mustard plaster."

Inspection, Pioneer Hall, 8 p m., Saturday.

No disappointment can be quite so intolerable as disappointment in one's self.

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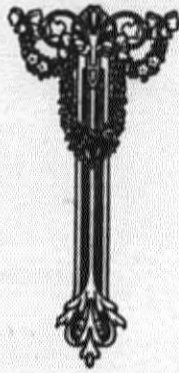
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March 18, 1919

Last Sunday while visiting old Claudie Baribeau, who is only eight kilometers away from here, I saw a copy of the Weekly Almanian. I think Art Foote sent it to him from Toul. It surely did seem good to get some news from Alma once more. It's the first Almanian I had seen this school year. It makes me wish I were back on the campus once more. And I have wished many times that I could be back to see our class graduate, but it looks impossible now.

I've been beaten out of two chances to come home already. I was transferred from the artillery a month after the armistice was signed. The Q. M. detachment I belonged to was supposed to be attached to the French artillery headquarters and go home with them, but through a mistake we were sent here to the headquarters advance section to be reassigned and I was lucky to get a job here in a good sized town.

The other time I was upposed to go home was because of the fact that I was in the hospital during the months of January and February with the "flu" and plural pneumonia. When I recovered the hospital tried to get my "service record" from the trench artillery headquarters so they could send me home, but the T. A. C. refused because they had traveling orders to send me here, so I was completely out of luck.

But I am feeling something like ordinary now, after a month's work and so I should worry. My job isn't half bad. We have several colored fellows to do the physical labor and all we do is look after the business. I mostly have to look after quite a lot of delivering of office furniture, stationery, etc. There is a large Y. M. C. A. next door to our warehouse and a fellow from Ithaca is working there, so naturally I have a "pull" and get all the candy, cocoa, etc., I want. In fact I can get most anything there is in the place. You see everyone likes to get on the good side of the fellows in the Q. M. warehouse so we get treated quite frequently.

I noticed lots of excitement over the basketball team and recognize most of the players but throughout the paper I noticed several unfamiliar names. I was sorry to hear that Coach Helmer had left Alma. My training under him certainly made me realize how much his principles had meant to Alma in athletics.

About the only man in our class mentioned, in any way, was "Babe" Burch. There can't be many boys in the class. I wish I could be on the Almanian's mailing list and if you ever have any extra snap shots of campus interest I wish you would send them. It helps to drive away homesickness and I am apt to be right here until September. I've only been in France ten months so I guess there are others more entitled to go home than I. So much for this time, remember me to all the old class.

Sincerely,

"Hap."

Pvt. C. M. Spooner, Q. M. C., Hdqrs. Adv. Sec. S. O. S., Office Post Quartermaster, A. P. O. 731., A. E. F.

Ensign Doerr Now at Brest Writes

U. S. S. Proteus, Brest, France,
Feb. 15th, 1919.

Mr. J. J. Barton, Alma, Mich.,
Dear Mr. Barton:

The dreadnaught U. S. S. Michigan is made fast to our starboard side tonight, which fact reminds me that I am a long way from the good old state. Out in the officers' galley (kitchen) a colored mess boy is touching up the mandolin to the tune of "Everything is Peaches Down in Georgia" but I don't censure him for undoubtedly he never heard that old song about "Alma on the Pine," which I shall never forget. Needless to say ribbon!"

there are memories of college days and other pleasant associations in Alma that I shall always remember with pleasure.

However, I shall not burden you with my sentimental recollections, but shall confine myself to present experiences. As you know I was assigned to my billet aboard the U. S. S. Proteus, on December 14th, 1918. The ship was then in dry dock in Brooklyn, N. Y., which was soon left and ran down to Norfolk, Va. Here we expected to load with coal, the Proteus being a fuel collier, and then return to New York. We were destined to disappointment, for on Decembr 24 orders came to leave for Brest. Nevertheless, I remember hearing a shot from below when the news was spread, which echoed the crew's sentiment. Already this same ship has transported about 200,000 tons of coal to New York from Norfolk, which consumed a period of about five months. After this cargo of projectiles was carried to England, and we have every reason to believe that the most of them were delivered to the German army—we hope so. Anyway we came to Brest discharged our cargo of 12,000 tons to awaiting cruisers, and proceeded to Cardiff, Wales, for another load. And here we expect to stay for some time, furnishing fuel to carry the soldiers homeward. The boys on this ship often work night and day, they have done so for months, when the occasion demanded, but they do not complain—the Proteus is a happy ship.

I have witnessed interesting sights over here. Yesterday I went through a castle that the Romans commenced in the 4th century A. D. It contains the architecture of the Spanish, British and French as well, and when one passes through the dungeons the guides tell stories of absorbing interest. Yet today I saw the grandest spectacle of all.

This morning at 8 a. m. all U. S. ships in the harbor raised their flags and pennants in unison. Each ship was full dressed, for President Wilson was coming. About eleven o'clock a French boat came alongside the U. S. S. George Washington and we all strained our eyes in an attempt to see his flag at the small boat's bow. We were not sure until a large flag arose proudly to the George Washington's foremast. Then we knew. The National salute was fired, a French cruiser steamed out to see that the coast was clear, and about 1:30 p. m. the U. S. S. George Washington left for home, accompanied by the U. S. S. New Mexico and four destroyers. We had seen the president leave New York for France and today we saw the world's greatest diplomat leave for the world's greatest country.

And so I could write on, but my time and doubtless your patience forbid. So I close with,

Sincere regards,

Lester C. Doerr.

Ensign, U. S. N. R. F.

The Almanian is indebted to The Alma Record for the above letter.

The Wrong Man

A rookie was reading an article about the Kaiser which compared him with Nero. "Who was Nero, Bill?" he asked of a fellow rookie. "Wasn't he a man that was always cold?"

"Naw," was the reply, "that was Zero, another guy altogether."—Transcript.

Julia rushed to her mother one day in a most excited frame of mind. "Oh, mother, we've had the best time! We've been playing postman, and we gave every lady in the block a letter."

"But, dear, where did you get the letters?"

"Why, we found them in your trunk in the garret all tied up with blue ribbon!"

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Campus Breezes



"Blake" Miller blew in Thursday night. There is nothing that could seem more like old times unless it would be the resounding "thwack" of the barrel stave.

Kern got a new pair of spats and a god-son last Thursday. He said he was going to be "censor" at the christening. R. Otto left Alma's Green-ness far behind at the call of duty.

"Calorimeter" Bay received his canoeing permissions the other day, and now he must do like the rest do and publish them in the Almanian for thirty days before indulging in the reckless pastime.

A blushing damsel of eight winter's got Pet's goat last Sunday when she hailed him with a "Hello Dude."

N. Kinney—"Oh, I'm so glad I have my canoeing privileges, but mother says I mustn't go alone!"

Someone has breathed that Peggy has a new suit. Can anyone verify this rumor?

It is true that the announcement of Dr. Van Wyck's lecture was among the Campus Breezes last week, but we do not need to apologize for "it's an ill wind that blows no good,"—and it blew good.

Jim Howe—of olde tyme fame—said: "Some folks are so crabby that they'd kick if they were in swimming."

Coach Field says that playing the Normals is just like trying to pass a Ford in a Limousine. Some darned thing happens every time you get nearly up to it!

Lyle and Jennie have been gracing the courts in the wee, small hours of the morning. These net combinations surely are good at balling up the dope!

If someone had been down in the dressing room at Pioneer Hall, they would have heard the athletic manager using some very unfamiliar language on the new star third baseman.

Boyer pitches against M. A. C. he should win very easily after the workday he received at the hands of Farmer Coleman and Assistant Trainer Hale.

Hale would like to know when Learner head is coming over to visit him some night.

"B.D." Richards says, "Me for the 'ho.'" from now on."

Chemistry 21
Be it said now that the girls taking chemistry 21 are at present beginning the study of foods and food conservation. This is an example of the picturesque:

Teacher—You say you use the water food has been boiled in for soup stock?

Senior—Yes, and spring vacation when I was home I used the broth from the boiled eggs."

Heard in the Hall
L. Chase—Yes, I'm going to wash my head tonight.

F. Thompson—What do you use, egg shampoo?

L. Chase—No, I like "tar."

Harold Johnstone (at Dean's table)—I like "Punch." I often spend hours in the library reading those English stories.

Dean Roberts—"Well, I enjoy "Life."

K. Wanniger (explaining)—I would say "Desirez vous que nous,—etc." Lauretta (twenty miles away)—What was that you said about a canoe?

Bill Murphy sure has faith in the Scotch.
Bill (airing his views in "psych" class)—Yes, a Scotchman is religious. He keeps the Sabbath and anything else he can get his hands on.

The K. G. girls have been spending beaucoup de temps lately working on arts. Their annual exhibit will be held soon.

The freshmen will all be lawyers if this debating keeps up. Briefs have been a popular form of occupation.

Freddy gets "horse" when she has a cold, but Willie gets the "heaven."

Burt Sturtridge and Ezra Deveaux were Ithaca visitors Thursday evening. Burt is going visiting again Sunday. There must be some attraction—

Popular With the Yanks
Question—Why is a slacker like a lemon meringue pie?

Answer—Because he's yellow all the way through and hasn't got crust enough to go "over the top."

Seven Wonders of the Baseball Team
Williams, the Apple-Gate recruit, reports for practice with his necktie on.

Fillmore has a stunning palm beach suit on.

Warner's bat has developed a larger hole.

Ardis's glove still has a good spring in it.

Boyer is some duck waddler.

"Punk" Pelton, the star of the Sunday School league, wakes up and finds his specs gone.

Sartor, the wise guy, has no use for his left hand.

Some are wondering if "Freddy" Moore was seen down at M. A. C. peaking through the cracks in the fence around the baseball field.

NEWS ITEMS

Mrs. E. J. Peters of Flint spent the week end with her daughter, Gertrude.

Pearl Cashmore has gone home for a few days on account of her illness.

Sam Tomison spent the week end at his home in Howell.

Myrdyn Davies gave a talk in Ithaca Friday evening to a group of Y. M. C. A. boys.

Roland Kern visited in Saginaw Thursday.

Mildred McConkey has accepted a science position for next year in the Coldwater high school.

Lauretta Chase received a short visit from her father Friday.

Ruth Hooper expects to teach in Charlevoix again next year.

Genevra Parker is spending the week end in Bay City. She is to be the brides maid at the wedding of her friend, Miss Elizabeth Foss.

Gladys Ball spent the week end at her home in Milford.

When a man refuses to argue with a woman she considers it a sort of acknowledgment of her mental superiority.

Campus Clean Up and Good Time Friday!

SPORTLIGHT

With only Kalamazoo, Hillsdale, Albion and Alma in the race for the M. I. A. A. the battle is predicted to be a hard one.

Alma plays Mt. Pleasant Tuesday and Hillsdale Friday of this week at Alma.

Owing to the unsettled weather, practice the past two weeks has been almost an impossibility.

Williams played a good game at short against M. A. C.

Boyer showed he had his batting eye by getting two nice singles.

Johnson lost a second hit by a brilliant catch by the right fielder.

Ardis saved the infielders some errors by making some good catches on poor throws.

Fitch caught a good game and steadied the team in excellent shape.

COMING AND GOING

Kenneth Moore was an Alma and Wright hall visitor last week end.

Leo Miller was called home Saturday because of the death of his father. Mr. Miller had undergone an operation a few days before but was believed to be out of danger.

Miss Maria Roberts of St. Louis was the guest of Louise Osgood over the week end.

Reginald McClinton, better known as "Doc," is an Alma visitor for a few days.

Miss Louise Heilman of Saginaw was the guest of Rosella Benson over the week-end.

William Fulcher was a visitor on the campus Saturday. Bill is now working in Detroit.

Campus Day Next Friday!

ALUMNI NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Cook and child of Detroit visited relatives and friends in Alma a few days last week.

Milton Jackson, '15, is now chief chemist for the Detroit Steel Products Co.

Vera Parker, Kg. '15, is teaching in Pontiac.

Myrtle Creaser, who is teaching science in the Ishpeming high school at Ishpeming, Mich., visited Alma friends and relatives last week.

Harry Jackson spent a few days in Alma last week. Mr. Jackson has charge of the chemical laboratory of the Aluminum Castings Co., Detroit.

Alger H. Wood, better known as "Pug," of the 85th division has received his discharge at Camp Custer, Battle Creek, and is now in this city. "Pug" went into service about a year ago, and after about six weeks at Custer went to France. For a time he was on special work, and on the day that the armistice was signed he started for the trenches. Wood, if he had been discharged sooner might have been coach for Alma.

MEMORIAL SERVICE

The commencement committee of the faculty has designated Tuesday morning as the date for a memorial service in honor of the Alma sons who lost their lives in service. As is known there are nine stars on the college service flag and it is no more than fitting that some tribute be shown them.

The faculty has set aside this date for a memorial service and it is hoped that a large number of Alma people will come back for the service.

I hate it, I hate it
And who shall dare,
To chide me for hating
The dentist's chair.—Ex.

Campus Day Next Friday!

Hillsdale—May 2nd.

The Idlehour

WEDNESDAY
Tom Moore

"A MAN AND HIS MONEY"
Also smiling Bill Parsons in one of his funniest farce-comedies
"Pink Pajamas"

THURSDAY
Lina Cavalieri

"THE TWO BRIDES"
Also Tom Mix comedy
"The Roman Cowboy"

FRIDAY

Cecil B. DeMille's arcraft special
"DON'T CHANGE YOUR HUSBAND"
Also "Fatty" Arbuckle in a return showing of
"The Other Man"

SATURDAY
Mitchell Lewis

"CHILDREN OF BANISHMENT"
Also standard re-issue comedy
"Having a Good Time"

The Liberty

TUESDAY—WEDNESDAY
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