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Maroon and Cream Again the Winners

BASKET BALL

Alma Had the Indian Sign on Her Old Rivals Once More.

Just to prove to Kalamazoo that Alma still had the Indian sign on her, and could keep Kalamazoo from winning championships, and possibly to give Kalamazoo an idea of just how good an Alma team could be, the Maroon and Cream basketball quintet spotted the visitors eleven points in the first five minutes of the M. I. A. A. titular struggle Friday night, and then just stepped out and annexed the game. The margin was only one point, but it was just as good as a hundred, better in fact. Just ask the fans.

After the first five minutes of play, with a score of 13 to 2 in favor of Kalamazoo, the green Alma five tumbled to the fact that it was not Alma fashion to allow Kalamazoo to win games and forthwith a mighty change came over the quintet, and the seemingly invincible Celery City five had lost its scoring opportunities, its offensive work, its defensive work, its heart, the game and possibly just worked itself out of the 1919 championship on which it was banking.

A braver fight against odds was never made by an Alma team. When the five opened fire with its 75's, and charged the Kalamazoo trenches, it simply battered down the five man defense which had stood the test of two championship seasons. Richards, Tebo, D. Smith, F. Smith, and Anderson, one or the other seeped through, causing such consternation in the Kalamazoo ranks, that the defense could not be pulled together until the final moments of play, when Alma had a lead of two points.

When the change came, the Alma defense changed with it, and became a regular Verdun, which could not be stormed. The highly touted Hoekstra and Emerson, who had swept aside the defense of every M. I. A. A. five that Kalamazoo had met, were completely blocked, being able to score just six points between them. McKay who had run wild the first five minutes, when he annexed five field baskets, dwindled from the size of a giant to an infant in the eyes of Tebo, Crittenden and Anderson, and from then on failed just as did the touted veterans of the Kazoo scoring machine.

Slowly, but none the less surely Alma gained back the points that she had presented to Kazoo. The first half ended 16 to 10 with the celery eaters leading. Alma continued her pounding, battering, un-failing offensive work in the second half, and with five minutes to go had a lead of two points.

At this time Kalamazoo managed to pull her defense together and it became a question as to which defense was the stronger. Neither could then be penetrated. On two foul throws, however, the visitors annexed a point, the lost foul losing Kalamazoo her chance to tie.

It is hard to give credit for the victory to any one man. Richards, who was constantly slipping through the five man defense, worried Kazoo. He was there when needed and he was elsewhere when needed. Anderson was all over the floor, both on defense and offense. Tebo, at running guard, played the best game of the season. Crittenden, back at the stationary guard with instructions to stop Hoekstra and Emerson, stopped them so completely that they failed to figure much in the game. The two midget Smiths battled royally for Alma. Every man was in the game every minute. All deserve praise, as does Robinson who is running the team. And in giving credit for the victory, the early season work of Harry Helmer must not be forgotten. He evidently has been the pioneer who has paved the way to the 1919 championship, which will surely be Alma's with one victory out of the

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ALMA'S FUTURE

Many Improvements Planned for the Campus.

Most American colleges of a generation or two ago were in the habit of considering the location of each particular building when the structure was about to be erected. There were, however, some institutions that had the foresight to make the proper survey of their grounds and to consider the location of each building as a very important matter. Indeed in a properly devised architectural scheme, each building must bear a very definite relation to each other building. The plans of the first building erected will be affected by the location of the second building, but will also be affected by the location of the forty-second building to be erected years afterward.

The Alma College Board of Trustees realizes that the institution has in many ways reached its capacity. When the need of a new science building was discussed as well as additional library room and a new gymnasium, the wisdom of the Board dictated that consideration should at once be given to a comprehensive building plan that would cover the development of Alma College for the next twenty-five years or more, and provide a beginning for whatever development might come after that time.

Perkins, Fellows and Hamilton of Chicago, a leading architectural firm of America, was employed. The heads of the firm made various visits to Alma studying the grounds and the needs of the College. The plan that hangs in the president's office is the result of the out-growth of these visits.

In general it may be said that the block on which Pioneer Hall, the administration building and the gymnasium now stand, is to become the men's residential quadrangle. The Oxford unit system of dormitories is to be operated. There will be about twenty men to each section, and the plan calls for fourteen sections, and for the eventual removal of the buildings now on this block.

The main academic buildings will be on the high ground toward and including the tennis courts. Davis Field will be made to run north and south instead of east and west as it now does, and will extend farther back, reaching the edge of the Jungle.

The Chapel will stand at the north end of the long axis of the academic quadrangle, and will be inside the present limits of the athletic field.

As the plan contemplates the closing of Philadelphia avenue, and the purchase of sufficient land on the south side of Superior street to make our western limit on that side the same as the western limit on the north side, (the line beyond the tennis courts to be extended southward, in other words), there will be erected on the southern end of the main axis of the academic quadrangle, a Commons, which will be the social center and dining hall for the whole institution.

Across (the abandoned) Philadelphia avenue from Wright Hall, on the lots now occupied by the president's residence, an additional girls' dormitory practically duplicating Wright Hall, will be erected.

Facing south from the Chapel, the observer will look straight down the main axis of the academic quadrangle to the Commons.

The first building on the left will be the new library building.

The second on his left will be the new administration building.

Across Superior street on his left will be the present Wright Hall.

On his right will be the new gym-

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PHI PHI ALPHA

LINCOLN BANQUET

Annual Affair Held at Wright House, Saturday Evening, February 15.

It was with high spirits that the Phi Phi Alpha men and their guests gathered for their annual Lincoln banquet, in the Wright House Saturday evening, February 15th. Many old students and out of town guests were present, and after a short half hour of chatting the merry crowd wended its way to the dining room to the strains of such music as only heroes could resist.

The tables were prettily decorated with purple and yellow flowers and crepe paper gracefully suspended from the beautiful centerpieces of yellow daffodils while candles of the same colors shed a mellow light over the festal board. Banners and blankets of Philomathean, Phi Phi Alpha and Alma college were in evidence and a large Phi of red and black shed on intermittent light from one end of the room; while the maroon and cream programs emblemized the unity of purpose of society and college. But the most unique feature which solemnized and made this banquet one above all others was the Phi Phi Alpha service flag surrounded by red, white, and blue lights, which brought memories of men who would fain be present, but who, having put their country first, were serving, some in our own country, others in France, and yes, even in Germany. We miss them, but we are proud of them.

With light hearts and nimble wits we watched the courses come and go, until even Van was satisfied. Then the toastmaster, Howard Burch, '19, graciously welcomed the guests and cleverly introduced the speakers of the evening. Reverend Gelston responded to the Lincoln toast. He spoke of the man Lincoln and the guiding principles in his life which with these well known lines.

"With malice toward none; with charity for all; with firmness in the right, as God gives us to see the right, let us strive to finish the work we are in; to bind up the nation's wounds; to care for him who, shall have borne the battle, and for his widow and his orphan, to do all which may achieve and cherish a just and lasting peace among ourselves and with all nations."

Mr. John Finlayson, '20, very cleverly responded to the toast "As We Know Them," by telling how we know them, and finished by drinking a charming toast to the girls.

Then Miss Erma Gates, '19, expressed the appreciation Philomathean feels for her affiliation with Phi Phi Alpha. She spoke of its ideals for men, and what the friendship of Phi's had meant to the society.

Next, the guests were entertained by several readings given by Miss Virginia Blick, '21, who is a favorite in all college gatherings.

The spirit of the freshman was voiced by Mr. William Amos, '22, in his toast, "The Way of the Future."

Mr. Harold Buck, '20, of Olivet, brought the message, "Friendship," from Phi Alpha Pi. He told us of their history and high aims and showed how closely Phi Alpha Pi and Phi Phi Alpha are banded together in their aims and endeavors.

Mr. Myrddyn Davies, '19, who has returned to us after one and one-half years in the service, spoke of "Old Associations Renewed." He told of the high ideals for which Phi

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CHANGE IN DATE

Local Oratorical Contests to be Held in May Hereafter.

For many years it has been the custom in order to select the college orator, to hold the annual local contest on the first Friday in November. This matter of the amount of time allowed the college orator, between the day he is selected and the day of the contest has been up for more or less discussion, these last three years.

Under the present system the orator is allowed but three months in which to produce a finished oration. Three years ago the Debating Council endeavored to hold the local contest in May, the orator for the following year to be chosen at that time. However, for various reasons the plan did not meet with approval so the matter was dropped.

The matter has been taken up again and the news will no doubt be welcome to all, that on the second Wednesday of May this year the annual local oratorical contest will be held.

Let us all support this new step for the advancement of oratory, by selecting our orators in good time so that a good showing may be made at the coming contest in May.

GETS D. S. C.

Lieutenant Verne E. Rogers Wins High Honors With Army.

Lieutenant Verne E. Rogers, a graduate of Alma with the class of 1914, well known throughout the state because of his athletic ability, has been granted the Distinguished Service Cross for heroism on the field of battle in France.

In one battle his men were held up by a heavy machine gun fire from a nest directly ahead of his men. Second Lieutenant, (now First Lieutenant) Rogers and a corporal went around and attacked the machine gun nest alone, from the side, and routed the Germans, who were holding the nest, making it possible for his men to advance. The act was an extremely brave one, and merited the reward which it brought.

While in college here Rogers was a member of the football and baseball teams every year that he was in college.

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

A joint meeting of the Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. was held Sunday afternoon in the college chapel. Dr. Vance of Lane Theological Seminary gave the first of a series of talks to the students. His text, "Follow me and I will make you fishers of men," was taken from Matthew 4. The main points of his talk were that we as Christ's disciples should be the "salt" of the earth, that we can let our light of discipleship radiate to everyone; that it will be as leaven, permeating the souls of men.

In closing Dr. Vance asked the student body to pray that his mission to Alma might be fulfilled.

M. I. A. A. STANDINGS

(Correct to Saturday)

	W	L	Pct.
Alma	5	0	1.000
Kalamazoo	4	2	.667
Adrian	2	3	.400
Hillsdale	1	2	.333
Olivet	0	5	.000

REMEMBER THE "Y" MEETINGS

Every evening at 7 o'clock Dr. Vance will speak in the college chapel. He will be here until Friday, and it is hoped that a large audience will greet him and show the interest and appreciation that we have for his work.

The man who bows to the inevitable seldom does it as a matter of courtesy.

PHIS--PHILOS

ENTERTAIN

Pleasant Evening Enjoyed at Home of Rev. Gelson Saturday Night.

"Be at the Manse at half past seven, For if you don't, you might miss heaven."

That was the parting injunction.

When seven-thirty rolled around Saturday evening the bell-board began to work in real earnest. The numerous requests for room—and room—were so insistent that the bell girl clasped her hands to her head and wildly gazed around for some place where the world wasn't swimming.

Slushy weather, did you say? Ah, yes, it was that, but our spirits were just as crisp and keen as ever. Whose? and Why? Well, the Philos and Phi Phi Alphas. Where were they going? My, you ask so many questions. Reverend and Mrs. Gelston asked us up to their home for a party, you see. Of course there was a snowstorm and the trees did drip like leaky cisterns, but by jumping puddles we finally got there. Rev. Gelston met us at the door, smiling and bowing and assured us that "welcome" awaited us inside. We heard half-stifled laughs, now and then a roar would go up as someone sprung a joke. After properly shaking ourselves off (by the way, I'm sure someone forgot a vacuum cleaner for the purpose) we trudged down stairs and took seats. It was "heaven" all right. There were angels strung all over with gauzy wings, and the hearts, oh my! what a profusion of hearts—little ones, big ones, generous ones and stingy ones (Those belonged to all the bachelors and old maids!) Everybody was so happy—there was that genuine spirit of fun that makes things so enjoyable! There was a "Line up!" and Blanche struck up "Dixie" in her peppiest, snappiest say for "Marching to Jerusalem." The trip may have been a difficult enough stunt in the time of the pilgrims or even the "Dark ages" but traveling was mighty rocking this night. Claudia made the fatal mistake. The carpet rose to meet her! All things have their endings, and this was really funny. Imagine Babe Burch and Virginia scrapping over a small chair! They flew around so fast that of sheer exhaustion Blickie dropped in the chair just as the music stopped. She won!

"V-a-l-e-n-t-i-n-e"—Spell it! Read it carefully! Now make up a proposal using each letter in order. Girls, you either accept or refuse, the same way." Those were the directions. We accepted most of us. War's over you see. Some especially poetical swain wrote thus: "Venus, a lover entreats now. Try. I'll never end!" To which the modest lassie replied: "Value—a lover. Even now. Take. I now entreat." Well, anyway, Reverend Gelston nearly had a job.

After drawing strings for partners we sat down to eat. Of course, everyone was joyful, but especially so the group gathered around the dining room table. As the table was round, we might label them "King Bill and his knights." Billy Amos played "Simon says thumbs up, but we got tired of that, so we cracked jokes. Ask Virginia what she meant by sewing a button on a gale of air!

Eat? What—oh yes. Babe at the three bananas out of the basket on the dining room table. Then came cocoa, "marshmellers," and heart-shaped cookies, and by the way, Babe

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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.

LET'S BE FAIR

Travelling on railroads and busses especially such as are found in this part of the country and around such towns as Olivet, Hillsdale and Adrian, is very hard on the appetites of the travellers. At least Kalamazoo, along with our other opponents of the M. I. A. A. have thought so, for they have given the men of their teams the very best upon arriving at the scenes of action.

It has been said that the men representing Alma college in athletics this year are not being fairly treated and it is my wish to present the case fairly to the student body in order that such abuses, if any there be, may be corrected. When our team departed for Lansing to play the Freshmen I saw eighty-five cents change hands as the allotment of one player for meals on the trip. They left Alma soon after noon and were to arrive home again at the same time the next day. This meant at least that dinner at night and breakfast next morning must come out of this money, and since they would arrive home late the next a good big breakfast or a dinner should be forthcoming. In other words eighty-five cents, which is a fair price for one dinner when a man is traveling over "duck wagons" and "goose carts," was not half the money our men should have received. This is not the only instance—it has been so on every jaunt the team has taken this year. I stand ready to substitute this statement with the words of our athletes.

It may seem that something is quite wrong. From somewhere "higher up," someone, who wouldn't pay less than seventy-five cents for a meal on the road has decreed that our boys, riding for long periods, playing hard, and bringing home championships to Alma college, shall either eat one meal per day on trips or shall spend their own money. This alternative, the latter, which naturally must be taken, and is taken, I maintain to be a gross injustice, and I hope and believe confidently that the student body through the Athletic Association will correct it.

I do not know the condition of the Association's finances—nor do I care. I do know one thing however—that this matter is one which must be taken care of by the students—and immediately. Our basketball team has three more trips, Mt. Pleasant, Hillsdale and Kalamazoo. It would undoubtedly help the morale of the team to feel that the people back home want to see them treated fairly and not like a bunch of dogs, or better goats.

The spring will soon be here with baseball and track, and our material for these sports will be more promising than it has been for several years. Alma can clean up on the M. I. A. A. this year if she uses her athletes as she should! I have heard several men say that their participations in athletics depended on a "change of policy" toward the teams. Fellow students of Alma can we not better the situation?

—Lee M. Sharrar.

ALMA SPIRIT REVIVED

"As enthusiasm touches us, we succeed. Enthusiasm is more than seen, it is felt. The price is only the best that's in you."

Alma college expressed and successfully defined enthusiasm on last Friday night in a way beyond measure. Possibly it needed a game such

as was fought in the high school gymnasium against Kazoo on Friday to renew the old Alma spirit.

That this spirit has been more or less dead during the past months is plainly seen. Games were played without much vital interest being taken in them. Of course, Alma was going to win, but it was "hard luck" if she didn't. From now on Alma MUST win. There is no more place for a hard luck story, the old Alma spirit, if girls screeching their heads off and men, sane sober men jumping up and down like happy children and jelling until their voices were gone; this old Alma spirit demands that we win.

Without doubt, the college has been back of the team and the other affairs of college interest, but without question, too, there has been a lack of united spirit. Less interest was taken in important matters and if students did support such, it was more because of duty. From now on with every freshie baptized for the first time with this spirit and the older students re-immersed, possibly a Methodist conversion, Alma will support every interest because Alma spirit forces us to. That the game was won as much by the gallery as the floor, is expressed by the players. Those six men who fought like demons for their college did so because re-sounding from that low tin roof of the high school gym, came thunderous roar of Alma's over-flowing enthusiasm for the united support of her payers.

In all our college work this spirit is to be. For years Alma's spirit has been the greatest dread of visiting teams—that spirit has been revived. "As enthusiasm touches us, we succeed." The enthusiasm of Friday night is that which belongs to Alma—success.

GHOSTS

From time immemorial human beings have been baffled by the phenomena of the spiritual world. Demonstrations about the campus have for many years been witness to us of the actual presence of the spirits of departed beings. There have been times when the dissatisfied spirits have been moved by the all pervading silence of the Museum to waft their former bodies to Wright Hall where things were a bit more lively. And the older students will remember with no little feeling some of the acrobatic stunts of Lizzie in climbing the flag-pole or a tree in front of Wright hall and there suspending herself where she might command due respect on the following morning. But those times have passed and the only actual reminder which we have had of them for some time past has been the peaceful repose of the alligator in an ante room of the reception hall, where he may hear the gay music and dancing feet of the girls. Poor Lizzie has been hidden away in some secluded corner where even her ghost has been unable to extract her rattling form. To show her dissatisfaction at such an imprisonment Lizzie's ghost paid us a visit last week and removed some of the chapel seats in which we are wont to comfortably rest our bodies under the gaze of all. (A reminder to us of her imprisonment) We either miss our guests or Lizzie's ghost is determined that she shall again be freed by her captors, again to prance about the campus and scramble up the flag-pole where she may be admired by all as in days of yore.

A Sixty Second Investment

We are talking much nowadays about reconstruction, and we have in mind a reconstruction that includes the re-building of society, education, and labor; that means the forming of a league of nations that will constitute the basis for a world peace—a reconstruction that will mean amelioration and advancement after a terrible war.

But in order to do this there must be the dispensation of a superlative amount of energy and time. The person who thought he was already doing his maximum before the war, will have to do more now that the war is over. And the only way to have more time to do more is to make use of spare time.

Few people realize, or if they do are willing to admit, the time that they lose everyday. "Make good use of the minutes and the hours will take care of themselves," is a time worn maxim, but it is one that needs greater emphasis every year. If every moment has its duty it cannot be neglected or another will carry double.

When a person complains that he has more than he can do, it is a pretty good sign that he has left-over jobs that are not done.

We are not a slow people, but we are rather a careless and extravagant one, and are apt to waste. Every minute that is wasted is lost for ever. But an investment of sixty seconds in every minute pays a high rate of interest. It gives dividends of accomplishment that are double.

"The Return of the Soldier" by Rebecca West is a fascinating story presented from psychological viewpoint reminiscent of Henry James. The plot which turns on a case of shell shock, is unique in fiction. The novel is short and can easily be read in two or three hours.

"The Village" by Earnest Poole is considered "a highly significant and revealing account of Mr. Poole's experiences among the peasants of a typical Russian village."

"Out of the Silences" by Mary E. Walker is "the story of an orphaned boy of Dakota reared by a frontiersman in the Turtle Mountain region."

"The Valley of Democracy" by Meredith Nicholson is a story of the people and activities of the middle west. "This is a book of the present day—a thoughtful book—a book that pictures the Valley of Democracy coming to be, as the author says, "The Valley of Decision."

"Joan and Peters" by H. G. Wells, presents a panoramic view of the public life of the significant classes in England for the last twenty-five years.

"The Way of All Flesh" by Samuel Butler is an iconoclastic treatment of present day problems. This book was discussed a great deal two or three years ago.

Among other new books in the library are "Sonia: Between Two Worlds" by Stephen McKinney; "The Rising Tide" by Margaret Deland; "That Year at Lincoln High" Joseph Gallomb; "The Light in the Clearing" Irving Bacheller and "Under Sail" by Felix Riesenber.

ALUMNI ITEMS

Marie Doane, '18, spent the week end in Alma. Midland isn't so far away but that Marie can see an Alma game once in awhile.

Sidney Cook, '15, although editor of the "Great Lakes Record" at Detroit and an extremely busy man, still takes time to come back to Alma when there is a big game on.

"Monty" MacFarlane, '16, arrived in Alma Friday for a visit and saw Alma win against Kalamazoo. "Monty" has received his discharge from the government work which he has been doing at the Edgewood Chemical Plant, Edgewood, Md. Robert F. Hume, '12, and "Monty," '13, have been working there.

Another Alma man, "Goody" Goodrich, '15, just couldn't keep away from the game Friday night although he had to come all the way from Ithaca, (Mich.) to do it.

Alfred G. Papworth, '16, has a superior position in Detroit Junior College.

NEWS

Earnest Bay writes from Bordeaux, France, that he probably shall not be able to get out of the army until fall. He expects to return to college if he gets back in time.

Miriam McIntosh is spending the week end in Saginaw.

Beatrice Koepfgen left for home rather suddenly Tuesday on receipt of the news that her brother Leslie Koepfgen had arrived home from France.

Melvin Vender is in Base Hospital at the Chatel-Guyon, France, recovering from the influenza.

Fay Suffern is spending a few days at her home in East Jordan.

Rosella Smalldon received a visit from her mother last week. Lucky girl!

Neva Knapp is at home for a week of much needed rest.

Marshall Richards received a visit from his brother last week.

The students are all very sorry not to see Lieutenant Robinson on the campus any more. He left Thursday for Chicago.

Looks That Way

Tommy (who has been wounded for the fourth time)—"I know what it means, mate; them Huns don't want me at this war!"—London Opinion.

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EXCHANGES

The Hillsdale Collegian writes concerning their game here as follows: "We should have beaten Alma, but through our hard luck and their good luck our boys again fell in defeat. * * * Alma will be easy meat for the White and Blue in the next game as we outclassed her in nearly every branch of the game." How about it Alma?

Helen M. Bell and Roscoe Mott Giles are to be Hope's representatives at the Michigan Oratorical contest to be held March 7. Their orations were respectively, "The Golden Spire" and "The New World."

It's Mt. Pleasant's turn to be gobbled up next. What about a gang to go along and "fight 'em" from the side-lines?

Did you see the "pep" get behind the boys and push? Let's have a rousing mass-meeting before we send the boys down to Kalamazoo.

JOKES

Professor Hosmer, leading Choral club—"The light of her eyes they will say has surpassed the diamonds that shine at her waist—" "Oh, I held on to her waist too long."

At Local Drygoods Store
Coed: "I want to get a skirt."
Clerk: "How long do you want it?"
Coed: "I don't want to rent it. I want to buy it."

Psychological Associations
Lauretta Chase (supplying word)—"Powder."
Buck Anderson (giving association)—"Face."

Miss Harrington has learned from her biology that it is perfectly natural for Beas to Eddy around. She has Dr. Mac Curdy's word for it.

QUESTION BOX

Can anyone tell why on earth the fair sex chose "There's a Good Time Coming" for a chapel hymn Friday morning?

Peace has existed for many months in the Blick-Reed household. Is anyone in a position to proficy just how long it will endure?

The Jweiga board seems to be going on a strike these days. Is there anyone who is adept at mind reading? Pelton seems to be keeping a few folks guessing.

Blanche's recitations have improved 90 per cent these last few days. What is the remedy?

Answer, By Gum, Care of the Almanian.

Accurate

An editor had a notice stuck up above his desk on which was printed: "Accuracy! Accuracy! Accuracy!" and this notice he always pointed out to the news reporters.

One day the youngest member of the staff came in with his report of a public meeting. The editor read it through and came to the sentence: "Three thousand nine hundred and ninety-nine eyes were fixed upon the speaker."

"What do you mean by making a silly blunder like that?" he demanded wrathfully.

"But it's not a blunder," protested the youngster. "There was a one-eyed man in the audience!"

CHAPEL NOTES

On Wednesday February 19, Professor Hosmer conducted chapel services. It was a very pleasant service and his talk on "things beautiful was greatly enjoyed."

On Thursday Professor Cook led the chapel service and his talk on the "Peace Conference and the Present Administration" was very much appreciated.

Dr. Vance of Cincinnati, who was to be here on Friday, was unable to come until Sunday.

Professor Hosmer is very anxious that the choral club finish "King Renne's Daughter" very soon in order that work on the mixed chorus may begin at once. More students should come out to these meetings. The attendance has not been very gratifying lately.

Advising the Seat of War

The major was leaning over a desk in his friend's office, when the office boy stepped up quietly and poked a note into his hand. The surprised officer opened it and read: Honored Sir: Your pants are ripped."

CAMPUS DOPE

Lost: One tailor-made uniform and one Conklin pen. Reward—according to whether or not fellow that returns same is guilty of taking it.—Babe Burch.

Some fellows certainly are lucky especially when some nice girl has a birthday on the same day.

Recent visitors at Pioneer Hall: Rube Coleman and Robinson's bull dog.

Every time Tebo heard the auto horn at the game he ran faster because it reminded him of crossing Woodward avenue.

Some one said George Krueger had a nervous breakdown and went home. We believe that some one at home had the breakdown.

Something new to Alma—Carroll Remington takes a high school teacher to the basketball game.

Poor Eddie's nose knows basketball is too tough for him.

Did you see "Bullets" on the side line at the game? That's the real Alma spirit.

"Coach" Robinson has a little streak of gray sneaking in amongst the beautiful black. There's reason.

Bill's missionary journeys are about over. China was the last country. His co-workers have all deserted him.

Apparently Mt. Pleasant's dope was seriously upset.

Buck Anderson before the game, "I must get a Wright Hall girl for the game tonight." Thank goodness Louise saved his Bacon.

There's a light shining for Fluey again. Things look brighter.

Babe says caps and gowns should be modeled along straight lines, but they need remodeling for him.

Dr. Bober is becoming a good fan. We wish we were going to Kazoo.

Babe has the fun these days of shooting electricity through dogs. His latest specialty was a bulldog. Unfortunately the bulldog took for the ward-robe.

BIG MASS MEETING

Last Thursday night witnessed the most enthusiastic mass meeting which has been held in Alma this year. Enthusiasm and pep were at top notch from the minute Blanche Mashin started the crowd singing as soon as dinner was through until the last note of the college song had been sung. To make a successful mass meeting there must be no let-up and on Thursday night there certainly was no let-up.

Under the control of our capable cheer leader, Lee Sharrar, Alma students responded to every movement, and brought back to Wright Hall, memories of the old time pep. Two new yells were learned and used to advantage at Friday night's game. A divided yell.

Al—ma
Al—ma
Al—ma
Alma, Alma, Alma, Rah.
was the first. Then
Che—hee
Che—ha
Che—ha—ha—ha
Kalamazoo
Ha—ha.

came out, causing great amusement. Several students spoke of the pep the college was going to put into the game and the great faith they had in the team.

That the mass meeting was a decided success was evidenced at the hard-fought game. Undoubtedly the "crowd" had as much to do with the winning of the game as the players and the mass meeting had its effects on the college crowd.

It is hoped by the Almanian that before the remaining games of the season, mass meetings will be held, to express our faith in the splendid machine of Coach Robinson.

Y. M. C. A. ELECTS OFFICERS

At a special meeting of the Y. M. C. A. held last Sunday the following men were elected for the coming year:

President—Myrddyn C. Davies.
Vice president—Thomas F. Jackson
Secretary—James Hale.
Treasurer—John Finlayson.

No man is a hopeless fool who can keep his ignorance concealed.

The Idlehour

WEDNESDAY—Louis Bennison in "Oh Johnnie!" Also Billie Parsons comedy.

THURSDAY—Henry B. Walthall, the most famous character actor on the screen, in Humdrum Brown." Return date of Fatty Arbuckle in "Moonshine."

FRIDAY—Dorothy Dalton, the powerful dramatic actress, in "Quicksand." Also Marie

Dressler in "Fired."

SATURDAY—Alice Brady in "The Whirlpool." Also Lloyd comedy, "That's Him."

The Liberty

SATURDAY—Virginia Pearson in "The Queen of Hearts." Virginia Pearson is well known for her clever acting and is sure to please in this picture. Also chapter 8 of "Hands Up."

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BASKET BALL

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three remaining games. The team, however, hopes to do better than this. To Kalamazoo's credit it must be said they fought like men, and they must realize that Alma accords them honor. She respects a clean-cut fighting bunch of opponents.

Line-up and summary—
ALMA 24 KAZOO 23
F. Smith L. Hoekstra
Richards R. F. McKay
Anderson C. Wattles
Tebo L. G. Rich
Crittenden R. G. Emerson
Substitutions—D. Smith for F. Smith.

Field baskets—McKay 6, Emerson 2, Hoekstra; Richards 3, D. Smith 2, Anderson 2, F. Smith 2, Tebo.

Goals from fouls—McKay 5 out of 7; Anderson 2 out of 3, D. Smith 2 out of 4.

Score first half—Kalamazoo 16, Alma 10. Referee—Schwei, M. A. C.

ALMA'S FUTURE

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nasium, and still beyond, the new Science Hall.

Other buildings may be provided for to the east and to the north of the chapel building.

The scale of buildings to be erected may perhaps depend somewhat on the generosity of the friends of the college. Just now, with the prices of buildings somewhat unsettled, it is difficult to make exact statements, but the Science Hall is expected to cost from \$100,000 to \$125,000. Each section of the men's dormitories will cost from \$15,000 to \$22,500. The library may be expected to cost a minimum of \$60,000.

The gymnasium will probably require in these days an expenditure of from \$75,000 to \$100,000. The Chapel planned will approximate \$60,000.

The plan contemplates at a later date a gymnasium for women which will be located in close proximity to the women's dormitories.

PHI-PHILOS ENTERTAINED

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Phi Alpha has always stood and expressed the wish that the men of the present and future would live up to the standard of those of the past. He paid a beautiful tribute to the men who responded to their countries call and have not yet returned, and especially to those who will never return. We are proud of those gold stars; for what could be nobler than to give one's life for one's country.

Mr. Davies' speech voiced the true Alma spirit which is that of Phi Phi Alpha as a part of that institution, and, followed by the college song, was a splendid and fitting close to this, a banquet, to be remembered among banquets.

PHI PHI BANQUET

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suggests that we have highchairs in Wright Hall dining room.

Well, Father Time kept on pushing that clock of his and Dean Roberts was probably getting anxious, so we thought it about time to go. A hearty yell was given by both the Phi and Philos, the college song was sung and we waded home again. All we lacked was web feet!

But seriously, Reverend and Mrs. Gelston are jolly good people, and, let's make the manse our church home, as Mrs. Gelston requested. Let's call on them often and get acquainted. They're just as anxious to see us as we them.

"Three cheers for the Manse!"
Carl Street is now superintendent of schools in Michigamme, Michigan. A letter has been received from him recently which gives some news about his work:

You speak of the "Almanian" being published now. I am glad to hear that it has started up again, and would be very glad if you can arrange matters so that I can receive it regularly. There is nothing like a college paper to keep one in touch with home and the good old Alma pep.

Now just a word as to the position I am in. I am Supt. of Schools in a town of about eight hundred population, being responsible for about one hundred and thirty pupils and five teachers. According to the usual standard of schools in the North, we have a very modern building, with the exception of a gymnasium. * * *

Freshman—Irrresponsible.
Sophomore—Irrresponsible.
Junior—Irrresponsible.
Senior—Irrreproachable.—Ex.

ZETA SIGMA

Zeta Sigma society held their weekly meeting February 17, 1919.

An impromptu was read by James Hale on "Hazing in the University of Michigan." This was followed by critic's report given by Charles Creaser. Leland Fitch, Don Smith and Burton Sturtdridge were re-instated into the society, while Bailey, Allen and Wyatt were initiated as new members. Allen gave a short talk on "The Price of Corn in Indiana."

This was followed by election of officers. The officers are as follows:

President—Leland Fitch.
Vice president—Don Smith.
Secretary—Audrey Kelly.
Treasurer—Roland Kern
Second Critic—Lee Sharrar.
Janitor—James Hale.

After this the society was invited down to DeLuxe to a treat on Fitch, Kern, Kelly and Smith. Kelly ate heartily.

PHILOMATHEAN

Philomathean literary society held its regular meeting on Monday evening, February 17th. Roll call was answered by a current event about India. The program for the evening was preceded by a short business meeting.

The impromptu, "Signs of the Re-birth in India," was given by Miss Marjorie McCurdy. Miss McCurdy gave a splendid talk, bringing out the main thoughts of her discussion in a clear and interesting manner. This was followed by a review of the life of the Indian author, Rabindranath Tagore, which was given by Mildred McBride. One of Tagore's characteristic short stories was then read by Miss Ardis. This story, "My Lord the Baby," brought out clearly the element of mysticism, in which, Tagore complains, we Westerners are so sadly lacking. The reading of this story concluded the program. The society was then adjourned until Monday evening, February 24th.

FROEBEL SOCIETY

The regular meeting of the Froebel society was held on Monday evening, February 17. Roll call was responded to by an anecdote of the life of Washington or Lincoln.

The society was then entertained by the new officers. A pleasant time was spent in dancing. The old square dance was a great center of excitement. After the dancing the girls gathered in a circle and enjoyed the ice cream and wafers.

ALPHA THETA

The Alpha Theta program for Monday evening, February 17th, dealt with the subject of art and the Pre-Raphaelites. In response to roll call the name and description of the work of an artist was given. Miss Frances Priest responded to the impromptu, "Our New Art Heritage." Two papers on the Pre-Raphaelite poets were then enjoyed. Miss Betty Wales compared the poetry of Swinburne and Rossetti, and Miss Florence Purdy compared the poetry of Morris and Rossetti. Selections from the works of these poets were read by Miss Grace Gilliard.

After the regular business meeting the society was adjourned.

PHI PHI ALPHA

The regular meeting of Phi Phi Alpha was held in the society rooms February 17th. After the necessary business was transacted the regular literary program was given. Mr. Davies spoke on "The Alma of Yesterday." Mr. Davies has just returned to school after an absence of a year and a half, and his talk was greatly enjoyed by everyone especially the new members. He still possesses his pleasing and entertaining style. Mr. VanDuzen gave a very able paper on "The Air Threat." The manner in which he treated his subject showed how much he is capable of. It was instructive to everyone.

The impromptus were given in a forceable manner by Mr. Otto and Mr. Johnson and these men appeared to a good advantage on the floor.

Following the literary program the society elected Mr. Johnson to the position of janitor caused by Mr. Richards' resignation. The meeting adjourned to meet at the the Idlehour through the courtesy of Mr. Johnson.

GLEE CLUB PLANS TRIP

The Girls' Glee club is very enthusiastic about plans for a trip during spring vacation. The first date out of town will probably be March 14 when the club goes to Wheeler.

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