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Annual Party Is Gay Affair at fans. the Bancroft Hotel in Saginaw.

The Phi Phi Alpha Literary Society held its annual Lincoln Banquet at the Hotel Bancroft, in Saginaw, Friday evening. The banquet is the premier social event of the year for the society. About fifty couples were present to enjoy the occasion, many out of town guests, numbering among them several alumni being the guests of the members.

The holding of the banquet in Saginaw was a departure from the society's usual custom. Heretofore the Lincoln Banquet has been held in Alma or in closely neighboring towns. The success of the party was so great as warrant enthusiastic endorsement

of the new custom. At six-thirty the guests were ushered into the ball room where the banquet was enjoyed. Between courses the couples danced to the music furnished by George Martuch and his orchestra. When the viands had been disposed of the speakers of the evening were introduced by the

toastmaster, Ronald Harris. F. Eugene Smythe gave the opening toast on the subject, "Clearing the Ground." Winston Tucker, from the Phi Alpha Pi fraternity at Olivet, gave the next toast on the subject of "Neighborhood Help." The toast to the ladies was responded to by Erma Burgis, speaking in the capacity of "The Supervisor." The main talks of the evening were given by Professor Roy Hamilton, who spoke on "Filling in the Chinks" and Dr. Chas.

D. Brokenshire, whose topic was "Building up the Fire." At the conclusion of the speaking the assembled guests joined in singing "Alma Mater."

After the speaking was finished dancing was enjoyed until the powers announced that it was time for the revellers to return to Alma.

Bracelets were presented as favors to the lady guests. The faculty guests at the banquet were Dr. Brokenshire and Mrs. Brokenshire, Dean Steward, Miss Landwehr, Professor and Mrs. Hamilton, and Professor Clack. Music for the dinner and dance was furnished by George Martuch and his orchestra from Saginaw.

Registration Completed for Semester

Registration at Alma college is now complete for the second semester. A total of three hundred and dents are:

Sam A. McClutchey-Onaway James Blanford-Freemont Marion Forrestor-Deckerville Audry Russ-St. Louis Gertrude Melody-Flint Vernon Brown-Alma Gertrude Sutton-Ithaca Alpha Musson-Stanton Loral Wyant-Alma Leon Katsin-Detroit John Weiham Haffey-Detroit Laura L. Hurst-Alma Lauritz A. Drevdahl-Manistique Edna Boyd-Alma

Three Seniors completed their work at Alma at the end of the first semester. They are Culbertson Ross, who is now teaching in Flint, Roger Wright and Irene Oberst.

Debaters Revel at Sharrar Home

tremendous fatigue.

Lee M. Sharrar, the kindly debate coach, noted this at Monday evening's debate meeting. Carrol Clark was enjoyed by all. This is guaran- of the institution as to indicate a was monotonously reciting his speech teed to be an authentic picture. (Continued on page three)

Hillsdale Invades

The Hillsdale College five, the one Michigan Intercollegiate team to whip Michigan State Normal, comes to Alma Friday evening to meet the Campbellmen and it is expected that a hot struggle will be seen by the

Alma opened the collegiate season with the Blue and White at Hillsdale and won by an eight point margin. just a few nights before the Gluckermen succeeded in stopping the Teachers from Ypsilanti. In that game Alma was somewhat lucky to have her eyes on the basket, and managed to ring them in with considerable regularity, while a strong defense was keeping the Dales away from the Alma basket.

It is expected that with an improved teamplay Hillsdale will give the Almaites a real struggle here Friday evening, and there is no certainty that the Campbellmen will be able to win over the Downstaters. Indications are that Alma must win over the Hillsdale five to retain third position in the association race.

Inter-Society Smoker Held at Zeta Sigma House Friday Evening.

Synopsis

Theme-First men's inter-society smoker of the year.

Scene-Zeta Sigma House. Time-8:00 P. M. Friday, February

Actors-Members of Zeta Sigma

and Beta Tau. Plot-Smokes, program, eats, talk,

Atmosphere-Rampant good fellowship. Hospitality.

Act I (Curtain) Gordon Macdonald and Henry Holland spoke for Zeta Sigma and Beta Tau respectively. Formality being dispensed with according to Chairman Davis, the boys began. "Red" Clark entered the scene with his Baby Grand (a la upright) and gave the ivories a classical punishment. At his exit the famous ghost scene from "Macbeth" was introduced, Romaine 'Ogan playing the part of "Famous People" inimitably. As he retired to the left wing the college quartet became audible and Haw-

has not adenoids. (Curtain) round after round of applause.)

Act II (Curtain) thirteen students are registered. Of Gillete who alternated on the piano bership in the Phi Beta Kappa fra- and with 12 minutes left to play Althese fifteen are registered in music and banjo until a booming bass was ternity. The student based his re- ma was five points in the lead, 23 to courses alone. Fourteen new students heard and Winslow advanced as an fusal on the grounds that the present 18. Black, foward, Hackney, center; are on the roll. Some of these are auctioneer. (The famous slave scene system of grading was a "false crit- and Barry, guard, well rested, were former students returning to com- of Lincoln's life re-played.) The erion of scholarship-a dangerous shoved back into the fray and a terplete work while some are register- company ensemble surrounded Don foundation for intellectual idealism rific struggle for the leadership being for the first time. The new stu- and sang a little and listened more and achievement." to popular ballads. Intense silence, The editor of the New Student the lead gradually. Alma held a cigarette.

(Curtain)

(Not included in original manu-

companiment of clapping hands.

Act III (Curtain)

cure place.

(Curtain) est act the company entered whole- sion and I judge, if the newspaper heartedly into its interpretation.) Act IV (Curtain)

At the beginning of this act the company was discovered around card that grades are the final test of For many a long evening through tables and in various positions of re- scholarship. It does believe, howmany a long week the Alma college pose. A miniature tower of Babel ever, that men and women who are debaters have been poring diligently and the room of Monte Carlo all in in college cannot claim to have made over dusty volumes in order that our own village. One by one the good use of their opportunities un-Russia through all its ages might company drifts off until the ash cov- less their work secures some recogbecome as familiar to them as Ho- ered tables, butt filled stands, and dis- nition on the part of the faculty. Nor race, Pliny, or Socrates. Such ex- ordered rooms testified to this orgy does Phi Beta Kappa base its elechaustive effort is bound to produce of the Romans. The Last Days of tions entirely upon grades. The Pompei.

(Curtain)

Finis of College Life.

Alma Friday DEBATE TEAMS

Win and Lose From Olivet and Mt. Pleasant Friday

Evening.

The Alma college debating teams again divided their contests last on the home floor while the negative music. team took an adverse decision at Mt. Pleasant.

tive team composed of Ross Mitchell, (No wonder "Deak" is sick.) Thank-Cecil MacDonald and Carroll Clark. won from an excellent negative team from Olivet, composed of George tral Michigan Normal at Mt. Pleasant returned a two to one verdict in favor of the Alma debaters. The judges were Professor P. G. Lantz, Professor Van Lieu Miner, and Professor C. S. Larzelere. Professor James E. Mitchell, Dean of the Faculty, acted as chairman.

The same evening the Alma negative team composed of Homer Barlow, Leslie Turner, and Ronald Harris lost to the Mt. Pleasant affirmative team composed of Arthur Rice, Maynard Hicks, and John Tennant. Professor E. E. Fleischman of the University of Michigan, acted as critic judge of the debate. Taking Almaites Fall to Downstaters the platform at the conclusion of the debate he outlined the two cases giving reasons for casting his decision in favor of the Central Normal team. President Warriner of Mt. Pleasant Normal acted as chairman. Credit should be given to Leslie Turner who with three days preparation took the place of Nisbet who was prevented place in a very capable manner.

team will meet the negative team with a clean record to that time. from Mt. Pleasant in a popular deplete arangements with Professor on edge every second, and fearing negative team and the Kazoo affirma- first time this season. Never was later the affirmative team will jour- score well indicates. ney to Kalamazoo while the negative team will met Calvin college of Presbyterians opened the scoring Grand Rapids on the home platform.

thorne proved conclusively that he Phi Beta Kappa

published the letter of a University men leading 15 to 14. Introducing Deac Closser and Don sons for refusing an offer for mem- half let Alma pulled away to a lead

ceived the following reply:

Our home talent, Nate Gaelor, Gov. fore me and in answer I would say count on a foul, but Gaelor, after Bliss and Jake Westfall put on a that in the last three years, so far as getting six straight, missed the bas-Charleston act. The first prize goes I am aware, only three students have ket, and a few seconds later the game to Nate for his high stepping. Don declined to accept membership in Phi had ended. Gillete jigged successfully to the ac- Beta Kappa. Two of these were wo- Gaelor played one of the best men. The last one, Mr. Simonton, is games that he has shown all year. referred to in your letter. During Veeder also looked especially good, entire company was found the same period we have had about as did Macdonald. The entire team gathered around the door on the en- 6,000 acceptances; hence the declina- gave a much better display of bastrance left, each leaving with re- tions do not bulk very large, and Phi ket ball than it has shown before

"I wrote at the time to the two ing of commendation. young ladies and found that both of ALMA (Note-Although this is the short- them declined under a misapprehenreport is correct, that the same is true respecting Mr. Simonton.

"Phi Beta Kappa does not claim theory prevails that these must be supplemented by good moral charac-Playwright's Note-A good 'time ter and such interest in the affairs wide sympathy with the best things (Continued on page three)

Beta Tau Enter-

Recently, after discussing current questions in the society room and initiating new members, Beta Tau Epsilon, as a body, adjourned to the home of Willard Ake. Here everyone was received with a congenial smile and ushered into. the Ake home. Jokes were passed and weighty matters discussed. Then we listened to several piano selections by Francis MacDougall and "Deak" Closser. Later Bob Teft with his banjo and "Deak" Closser at the piweek. This time the affirmative won and favored us with some popular

and rolls were served. "Fat" Mac- rushing has been the procedure with Debating on the question of Rus- Dougall and Closser vied with each the pledges announced early in the sian recognition, the Alma affirma- other in the consumption of the rolls. fall. Because of existing faults the ing Mr. Ake for the fine time we had we adjourned home.

At the regular meeting of Beta Paxon, Martin Palmer, and Morris Tau Epsilon, Monday evening, Feb-Livingston. Three judges from Cen. ruary 8, the following pledges were initiated:

> Gilbert Scheib-Saginaw Wilton Thompsett- Saulte Ste. Marie

Paul Snowman-Lapeer Jerome Hull-Oscoda

by One Point Margin.

The Alma collegians bowed to the Kalamazoo College aggregation at Kalamazoo, Saturday night in a hot tilt 29 to 28, but not until the most from taking part due to illness, desperate kind of fighting had been Turner filled the second speaker's indulged in by the Presbyterians to defeat that team, which was leading Next Friday the Alma affirmative the Michigan Intercollegiate race

It was a hectic struggle throughcision debate at Saginaw Arthur Hill. out, with the lead changing several Mr. Sharrar is endeavoring to com- times, keeping the Kalamazoo fans Griffith of Kalamazoo college for a that the league leading outfit would similar contest between the Alma be forced to admit defeat for the tive team at Grand Rapids. A week the Kalamazoo team safe, as the

When the game got under way the with a field basket and almost immediately added a foul. Kalamazoo tied it and forged a point ahead, but Alma nailed another foul and tied the Gives Reply count again, and time and again the long end see-sawed during the first (Note-This act was greeted by, A few weeks ago the Almanian half, which ended with the Barnard-

of Kansas student stating his rea- Three substitutions in the second gan with Kalamazoo paring down broken by the occasional puff of a wrote to the official of Phi Beta Kap- lead until about two minutes before pa and inquired what steps they were the game ended, when two field bastaking to meet such criticism and re- kets gave the Kazooks a single point lead. With a half minute to play Al-"Your letter of January 11th is be- ma had the opportunity to knot the

freshment and proceeding to a se- Beta Kappa is not at all worried. this season, however, and is deserv- Frosh Elect Two

ALMA			Total
Gaelor, rf	2	6	10
Catherman, If	1	0	2
Lemon, lf	.1	0	2
McClutchy, If	0	0	0
Macdonald, c	2	0	4
Veeder, rg	1	2	4
Welhoelter, lg	3	0	6
	10		
TEATAMENTOO	TATA	T3	FFT . 1

	10	8	28
KALAMAZ00	FB	F	Total
E. Schrier, rf	. 3	4	10
Black, If	. 2	0	4
Davis, If	. 1	0	2
Hackney, c	. 5	0	10
W. Schrier, c	. 0	0	0
Muelenburg, rg	. 1	1	3
Barry, lg	. 0	0	0
Ludwig, lg	. 0	0	0

tained at Ake's GIRLS' SOCIETIES NAME PLEDGES

Pledge Day Comes After A Semester of Rushing.

After a semester's activity the women's literary societies announced their new pledges last week. Pledging was carried on under a new sys-Then came the eats! Hot cocoa tem this year. Heretofore closed plan was changed to allow open rushing and pledge day was postponed until the second semester.

Alpha Theta

The Alpha Theta Literary Society is pleased to announce the pledging of the following girls: Isabel Craig-Detroit

Margaret Crampton-Washington,

Kathleen Ellison-Alma Barbara Glass-Alma Ruth Hyde-Midland Marian Jenks-Pontiac Mary Johnson-Alma Arleen Ogden-Alma Margaret Reynolds-Alma Louise Salmon-Detroit Lila Schaefer-Merrill Elizabeth Sidebotham-East Jor-

Josephine Simons-Coleman Gertrude Williams-Alma

The formal initiation service and pledge dinner will take place on Monday evening at Wright Hall. Miss Metzler and Dean Steward will also be the society's guests at dinner that evening.

Kappa Iota The Kappa Iota Literary Society announces the following pledges:

Helen Doyle-Detroit Mary Hungerland-Toledo, Ohio Ferne Holmes-Alma Geraldine Holmes-Alma Katherine Lehner-Alma Ruth Richards-Alma

The traditional pledge dinner was given in the dining room of Wright Hall, Wednesday night, February 10. The table decorations were carried out in the society colors, purple and gold, with purple bows on yellow candles, and yellow daffodils. The favors were boxes of Mary Lee candies. Bertha Woodhurst, president and Mrs. Campbell, patroness, each spoke a few words of welcome to the

Philomathean

The Philomathean Literary Society held a spread in Wright Hall dining room, Wednesday evening, February 10. The tables were decorated in red and white, red hearts served as place cards, and small heart shaped boxes at each place contained candies. A large heart shaped box in the center of the table contained small bottles of perfume for the new girls. After the dinner the girls returned to the Philo room where, at a short pledge service, the following girls were given their pledge pins:

Ardah Behler-St. Louis Elizabeth Barnhart-Ithaca Mildred Frevert-Alma Alice Gobel-Alma Helen Kruegar-Bad Axe Dorthea Malpas-East Jordan Gertrude Melody-Flint Viola Perdue-Alma Jessie Platt-Alma

Mary Katherine Slate-Sandusky The Philo members gave the Philo yell for the new girls and the meeting then turned into a social gather-

New Officers

Jack West of Croswell was elected president of the Freshman class to fill the vacancy left by the former president Bob Meade who is not returning to school for the second semester. Charles Goodenow was elected to the position of treasurer, left vacant by Jimmie Fitzgerald, who is taking a trip to South Ameri-

REMAINING GAMES

Tuesday, Feb. 16-Mt. Pleasant there

Friday, Feb. 19-Hillsdale here Friday, February 26-Kazoo here Saturday, Feb. 27-Olivet here March 5-Albion there March 5-Olivet there

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PLEDGE DAY

Pledge day for the women's literary societies has passed and the older women students of the college are now engaged in an attempt to reach financial stability and a position of authority once more.

The system of pledging among the women's societies has been changed considerably this year. In previous years pledge day came in the month of October. Previous to pledge day all intercourse between the older women and the new girls was strictly forbidden. The system had many faults which were of such a nature that it was discarded for this year. It was complained that the plan of closed rushing resulted in many girls becoming members of societies when had they but known it the women of are kind-hearted enough not to spoil putting it mildly. The audience was the college with whom they should things by calling folks attention to shown Bewildering Benares, Mysterbe associated by virtue of congenial natures were in other societies. Furthermore it was charged that the forced aloofness of the upperclasswomen made it very hard for the new girls to adapt themselves to the college and placed an early chill upon their hopes for new friendship.

While such faults were to be found under the old system the new plan has been far from being a satisfactory arrangement. To postpone pledging until after the beginning of the second semester seems to us to be a poor idea. The object of such postponment was, of course, to make sure that the new girls had correctly judged the older women and would be able to become affiliated with the group most suitable for them. While this may seem logical enough, it does not seem that in a college of Alma's We doubt very much if the new pledges would have lined up any differently in November than they did

social ability of their societies. Con- should vent its spleen upon that insequently bridge parties, spreads, dividual. special tables and so on have been very numerous, their main object being to further impress the new girls with the desirability of membership within their group. A very considerable expense item fell upon the older girls. Some groups of the new girls became so closely united with older groups that they might easily have been considered as members of some society, being only denied the privilege of attending meetings and being exempted from society dues. Still most of the girls feel that open rushing is a more desirable system, had it not been carried through so long a period.

There is also the darker charge that some societies pledged new girls for their groups long before the legal pledge day. To be sure such Dr. Ewing will bear me out in this a charge is to be expected. Even under the closed system complications were arising because of violation of the rules.

But it seems to us that the greatest ill of the system of open rushing through an extended period has been the effect that the system had upon self "F. P." You, as editor, should the new girls. Many feel that the proportion of very desirable 'new girls was much larger than usual this year. Consequently the societies worked doubly hard to impress these new girls. And as a result the new girls have been flattered into an exaggerated opinion of their own importance and have been instilled with a false sense of values.

It is very evident that the new girls this year are much different from those of ordinary freshman classes. They seem to have no fear at all for upperclass authority. It is reported that the freshmen girls who put down the rugs after dancing in the hall have been about the same girls each time and that the most sought after girls very seldom number themselves among this group. The circulation manager of the Almanian last semester experienced so much difficulty in securing consistent and conscientious freshman help that she refused to take the duties for another semester. The new circulation manager is experiencing the same difficulty and has limited her stay in the position to one month.

With pledge day now passed the you believe this? difficulty falls upon the upperclasswomen to re-establish themselves in a position of respected authority. For tainly. Only last week Governor forced to seek favor in the eyes of Michigan State College in singing the new girls in order that their so- "Michigan, My Michigan."

ciety might attain the desired new blood. And the new girls have felt this, have never experienced the fears that the older girls look back to with pleasure, and are now waiting initiation into their societies in order to take an active and controlling part in its policies.

The two systems have had grievous faults. It is to be hoped that some DeCou Pictures on Wednesday manner of pledging may be adopted which will insure the new girls that they will become members of the groups most suited to them and that at the same time will not endow them with such exaggerated ideas of their own importance and charm.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Mr. Editor:

any more than any one else. But I ern national parks. ask you is it fair to ride a fellow it if you would not sign my name to (Himalayas from

Gratefully yours, Leslie Hawthorne.

of the student body should be called

To the Editor:

it stands to reason that such a per- every angle, and in varying lights. son is a decided asset to the institu- so realistic that one felt that he had tion. And yet a few weks ago he ap- actually been there and seen for himpeared at a local theater and sang self. before the audience for which action size and with its compactness and he was financially recompensed by year has been of an exceptionally easily knowable society groupings the management of the theater. That, fine character, each number being that such a delay is at all necessary, man is now a professional and is be- equally inspiring and enjoyable in ing protested by the M. I. A. A., the its own particular field, and those M. D. L., the A F. L., the S. P. who have taken in the course feel C. A., the G. A. R., and the G. O. grateful to the college for making P. against any further participation possible so really worth while attrac-Open rushing has not been without in collegiate activity. It is plain to tions for Alma. its troubles. The older women felt be seen that he has, by his act, greatthemselves forced to impress the ly harmed our college. It seems to new girls with the friendliness and me that an enraged student body urgent case. My husband is very

> Sincerely, Carleton Neeland.

Dear ed,

I am not a person to seek publicity, but the rumor is going around that I took a certain course in Bible and that I tried to take it over again without recognizing it at all. Now anyone can see how maliciously false the rumor is but there are certain people that talk and others that swallow everything they hear so I want you to get the thing across straight to your readers. I am not so dumb Dear editor, that I didn't recognize that course at all. In fact the very words I said grapefruit? to Dr. Ewing when he called me into his office were: "I thought some of those things sounded familiar." is now. statement.

Yrs. trly., Bud Richards

To the editor of the Almanian: I don't know who the guy is who writes for your paper and signs himought to of known better than to let that smart crack about my oration get into print. When I saw those words about "high school orations for high schools" I was going to come right to vour office and lick you until I found out that you didn't have any office. Anyway when my twenty-five scale divisions. It has been father hears that your paper called the oration he wrote a high school oration you will probably get your the approach of a friend, while still nose pushed over onto the back of your head like you deserve.

> Best love, Homer M. Barlow

Dear editor,

I wouldn't.

If a big fellow, two feet taller than yourself called you a shriveled-up shrimp, a batty-eyed boob, a yellow livered yeg, and threatened to hang Tharaldsen of the zoology department you on a meat hook, what would you

In perplexity, John Erskine Answer-I wouldn't, Johnny, really

To the editor, I hear that public men have songs written for their own special use. Do

Ruth Hamilton Answer-Why certainly, Ruth, cera whole semester they have been Alex Groesbeck led an audience at

Evening Brought Course to A Close.

The final number of the college lyceum course was given Wednesday evening, at the Presbyterian church. The program was entitled "Dream Pictures" and was given by Branson DeCou who has traveled all over the world to secure the views shown. The I understand as how some of the views were thrown on a large screen boys down to the Zeta Sigma house and were beautifully and realisticalhave been setting you up to pull a ly colored. Mr. DeCou took his aufew wise cracks in your old sheet dience with him on his trip around about my moustache. Now I claim the world visiting India, China, Japto be as broad-minded as any guy an, and Hawaiian Islands, the Panaand can take a joke on myself with- ma Canal, and finishing the trip with out mixing my ketchup and olives a few views from some of our west-

The pictures were accompanied by when he has long cherished an ideal music appropriate to the setting. and has put many years of conscien- which emphasized the atmosphere of tious effort towards the production the different views and was given by of his ideal? Right now, when my the Ampico and Victrola. To say goal is almost in sight I'm sure you that the pictures were beautiful is my moustache. I would appreciate ious India, The Top of the World. Darjeeling), this letter but just use my initials Glimpses of Sumatra, Java, Singapore and Manila, China, the Land of Ceaseless Toil, Hongkong and Peking, Japan in Cherry Blossom Time, Kilauea in Eruption, as wel as our western wonderlands and the Pana-I think it is high time the attention ma Canal, from original views taken by Mr. DeCou, who accompanied each to the activities of a certain student picture with remarks calling attenwho is selling his talent for money tion to the most important features. and allowing the college, so depen- Perhaps most beautiful of all were dent upon his services, to go to pot, his many and varied views of the I allude, sir, to a certain individual Taj Mahal in India, that marvelous who plays basketball, baseball, foot- structure in an equally marvelous ball, and sings in the glee club. Now setting. He showed views taken from

The college lyceum course this

I am asking you for aid in a very much of a spendthrift. Yet hungry mouths must be fed so I asked my father to loan my hubby a thousand dollars. Daddy refused, saving that my dear husband was no good and called him a bad egg. What should

Direfully,

Mrs. Raymond Hunter Answer-Approach the old gentleman again, my dear, and use logic on him. Tell him it would be best to allow your husband to have the money since a bad egg is so much worse when it's broke.

Can you tell me how to make a

Robert Rice Answer-Don't be foolish, Bob. It

Delica e Instrument

A newly mounted rad ometer is to be used in an expedition about to be made half way around the earth to take daily measuremen's of the bent of the sun in the interest of longrange weather forecasting. The radiometer is so sensitive that the ray of a candle situated 7,000 feet away and focused upon it is sufficient to turn its vanes through several hundred scale divisions. Even the face of an observer, ben placed in the position previously o cupied by the candle, will produce a deflection of suggested by a humorist that with this instrument one might almost note some miles distant merely by the glow of his con tenance. It might even detect the san in an English summer.

Little Need for Muscle

Two thousand years from now man may have hoofs, says Prof. Conrad of Northwestern university He will probably have a huge dome of a head, a spindling body dampy legs and feet something like those of a horse. As a result of iraction and little need of musci lar strength man's arms and legs are a ready beginning to dwindle in size, says the professor. Mechanical inventions are rap dy doing away with the need for muscle, he says, and lack of use is causing the muscular portions of the body to degenerate. But man's ever-growing brain will need more room. As a consequence his skull will get bigger and bigger until it resembles a dome.-Pathfinder Mag-

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Dance.

The Charleston menace is now does it." stalking the American colleges, acleave in its path a swath of ruined calmly proceeded to lather up and buildings unequalled in extent in this cut 'em off. country since Sherman's memorable march. In fact Georgia may, if she wishes, claim the honor of the first complimented them. collegiate catastrophe. A floor caved at Atlanta. Nearly 500 girls students a bit later in the morning. We're were "prancing furiously in at- willing to do it every day." tempts to learn the new dance when the floor collapsed with a loud DEBATERS REVEL AT crash."

Here and there authorities have enacted prohibitive legislation. At the University of Indiana the board of trustees has forbidden the dance in the Student Building in order to forestall the structure's collapse. An investigation is now under way to determine the Charleston's effect upon the Men's Gymnasium, where it is still permissable to execute this violent dance. Should this floor give away there would ensue a total and wholesale immersion of the heated dancers in the swimming pool below.

Graceless "Wellesley College News," "may or to await the host's return.

Charleston tonight."

at Smith college have discovered. Be- ida. cause third floor girls in a certain dormitory occasionally studied, the floor girls be permitted to Charlespress and the Smith girls read in the papers that the rule had been passed in the nick of time in order to save the toppling building and many lives. -New Student

TEN YEARS AGO

January 17-Alma college provides "town and gown" banquet for trustees and friends from town. Speeches given by Dr. Barkley, Ira M. Hatch, L. A. Sharp, and President Crooks. Endowment plans out-

January 18-Dr. Russell H. Conwell delivers his famous lecture "Acres of Diamonds."

basketball game 24-19.

January 28-Albion wins 26-23. January 29-Wright Hall girls en-Year party.

February 4- Burton Thatcher, To the editor, bass-baritone, gives lyceum number. February 4-Ypsi winz 20-10.

February 5-Detroit College of Law wins 16-9.

February8 -Silliman and Brownell scholarships given to Harry Staver and Bernice Ireland.

a son when he is at college.

MEN SHAVE IN U. C. CLASS TO "SHAME" CO-EDS

Three men students at the University of California, sat in the class room of Professor Ira B. Cross and shaved themselves. As a result, they will receive "A" grades in their course in banking.

The men called the professor on his recent denunciation of co-eds who powder their noses in class.

"I'd just as soon have the men come in here and shave during lectures," Professor Cross declared. 'And I'll give any man an "A" who

So Arnold Murchie, John Kimble cording to news reports from all and Wallin Carlson carried their raparts of the country. If these stories | zors and soap into class and while the are credible the present rage will other students looked on amazed,

After the operation, Professor Cross called the trio before him and

"It's a fine idea," chorused the in at the State College for Women three. "It gives us a chance to sleep

SHARRAR HOME

(Continued from page 1) for the destruction of our government when Mr. Sharrar announced that if "Red" would inject some enthusiasm into his remarks, entertainment would be had at the Sharrar homestead later in the evening. The scarlet-combed youth brightened, and amid thundrous applause delivered himself of a speech that would have vastly cheered Senator Borah's heart and cast terror into the State department.

So at eleven-thirty that same evening Cecil MacDonald, "Red" Clark, "After all," reasoned the authori- "Midget" MacDougall, Frank Kinties at the College of William and ney, Homer Barlow, and Ron Harris Mary, "dance should emphasize grace approached the Sharrar residence. and beauty, and as the latest fad The host was absent but Kinney propreserves neither of these qualities, duced a skeleton key (would you beit should hold no place on the pro- lieve it?) and the company entered, gram of college dancing." Conse- turned on the radio, helped themquently they placed a bar on the selves to volumes from the profesdance. Which, slyly remarks the sor's economics library and sat down

may not be a case of sour grapes." When that individual arrived Mac-At Coe College the Charleston was Dougall was elected cook and a maganned in dance halls by city officials. nificent repast was prepared, much The "Daily Illini," University of to the devastation of the kitchen. Illinois, fears for local fraternity (You understand, of course, that and sorority houses. Students of Tu- Mrs. Sharrar was not in town.) The lane University, La., who attended meal disappeared and a crumb of the annual Freshman-Sophomore toast being left for manner's sake, dance were presented with little the party gathered around the radio notes from the faculty which read, and listened to the host's lamenta-"You are requested not to dance the tions that he was unable to get anything but Detroit. The announcer A mythology has already grown spoiled all this by suddenly proclaimup about this cyclonic step, the girls ing that he was at Jacksonville, Flor-

Until far toward dawn the party sat and listened to the famous readpowers that be decreed that no third ings of Mr. Sharrar. To deceive the detectives the group announced ton in their rooms. The event was themselves as the "Inter-Society Deduly recorded (and distorted) in the bating club" and with sundry sympathetic remarks concerning their bed-ridden brother, Mr. Nisbet, the group adjourned once more to the prosaic things of life.

PHI BETTA KAPPA GIVES REPLY

(Continued from page 1) in education. It may be that in some cases those who are administering the affairs of the chapter are not as careful as they might be to appraise these other qualifications. The fact that these are in our theory of elec-

tions should be recognized.

"It is a very simple matter, of course, for a young man to manifest a supercilious attitude toward Phi Beta Kappa. That can only be the January 20-Womens' Oratorical case when he fails to appreciate the contest held in chapel. First place, serious purpose of our organization, "Human Compliments" by Bernice its remarkable history, and the great Ireland; second place, "A Modern number of distinguished men and Jinn" by Adelaide Ballou; third women in other generations as well place, "The Melting Pot" by Ruth as in our own who count it an honor to be members. You can readily see January 21-Mt. Pleasant wips that we do not worry at all when they take this attitude. Phi Beta Kappa will not miss them. They will miss an association which might tertain men of the college at a Leap be exceedingly helpful and consequently are the only losers."

I am much interested to see the faces of our president on coins and bills. Do you suppose that if I applied myself diligently I could get my face on some money?

Paul Westfall Answer-I am very much afraid I won't be able to help you, Paul. All You have to make allowances for of my efforts have been directed towards getting my hands on some.

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College Students

AROUND THE CAMPUS

students for a few days last week. by native-born Greeks. Nisbet and Closser were reported as the victims of the malady. Steve's case attracted the most comment and sympathy. The illness set in following his strenuous efforts in the debate at Durand. Due to the advice of Dr. Lamb and the insistance of the boys at Latimer's the patient took a short rest cure at the hospital. Two of his bosom friends, Ross Ostrander and Ron Harris, performed the sad office of taking him to the pest house. This was accomplished with difficulty, the friends being forced to fight off the efforts of the attendants to put them to bed, each one of them looking far sicker than the rosy-cheeked Steve. When the invalid discovered that he would be forbidden to speak at the Lincoln banquet or take part in Friday's debate serious complications set in. these being mostly in the nature of an agitated vocabulary. The Almanian is pleased to announce that Steve is with us once more and is eagerly looking ahead to Friday's debate and quet in Saginaw many of the alumni Saturday's enjoyment of the Wash- and former students who attended the ington Banquet at Olivet.

coln's birthday. The students were ridge, Marjorie Furman, Lois Gates. aware of the fact because on this Ross Calkins, Helen Calkins (Helen day one of the literary societies holds Mason), "Prince" Williams, Forrest its annual banquet. The downtown Freeman, Ralph Nickols, John business men knew it also. Two Shroyer, "Peg" Poole, and "Tubby' flags were displayed, one of them be- Sartor.

CAMPUSOLOGY

R-U-A-J?

"Rastus, is my bawth warm?"

"Yassah, the warmest ah was evah

Jack West-'Ray! 'Ray! Goodie

Miss Landwehr-What's the mat-

Jack-You said we'd have a test

"When you have an argument does

MacDougall is said to be so lazy

that he sets potatoes out in the sun

so that they will get sun-burned and

Bob-I gave Mike a Valentine card

Prisoner 1050-Yes, I get half my

sentence off for good behavior, but

Prisoner-I'm in for life and they-

've got to wait 'til I croak before

they know what half my sentence is.

Nurse-Mr. Maloney, you are

Mr. Maloney-What? Thim things

Teacher-Kindly yodel a few bars

Abie-If your frau is fond uf fainting and you vant to learn her

I'll tell you uf a way to cure or kill,

Chust turn der hose right on her where she's lying by der floor,

If nudding else will cure her, vaude-

Lawyer-What do you mean by

Managing editor-I'm sure I don't

You lost your law-suit against the

Lawyer-Yes, but what did you

Bricklayers' Union, and we wrote it

mean by the headline: SMITH LOS-

making a fool out of me in your pa-

understand Mr. Smith.

up in the usual way.

ES UNION SUIT?

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that be runnin' around on four legs!

"My wart! She takes all of it."

A-B-C-D-goldfish?

L-M-N-O-goldfish!

O-S-A-R-goldfish.

O-I-C-D-goldfish.

Goodie!

ter with you?

today rain or shine?

your girl take part?"

with two hearts on it.

Chuck-The deuce you say.

it ain't goin' to do me no good.

Visitor-How's that?

the father of quadruplets.

of vaudeville.

Jack-It's snowing!

Miss Landwehr-Well?

The German measles terrorized the ing in front of an establishment run

"The mills of God grind slowly but they grind exceedingly fine." We have heard a quotation something like that. It is very appropos to the new seating in chapel. Last year in order to have seating room in chapel and to inject vigor into the singing, a choir was made up from the choice members of the glee clubs. But for a year the members of the choir could realize only that they really were chosen individuals. They sang not neither did they read responsively. They chewed gum and exchanged winks with the less favored members of the student body. They whispered and studied the next hour's assignment. The last two rows generally attended through roll call. They were bad, very bad. But they have been cast from the high places and the rest of us greet them with joy as they take their seats among us once

Because the Phis held their banaffair were not seen by their friends in Alma. Among those present Last Friday was Abraham Lin- were: Clare Vreeland, Gussie Sturt-

> No, Ruperta dear, you cannot call , a store where sentimental valentines are sold a mushroom.

Frosh-I can't for the life of me see what keeps these girls from freezing to death this weather. Senior-Tush, my boy. You aren't

supposed to see. Hunter-Sorry, I took you for a

Guide (bandaging up leg)-You're Night Watchman-Young man are wrong. I'm the goat.

Jack (straightening up in terror) A phonograph makes terrible noises when it's almost run down. So N. W.-Well hold this lantern then. does a pedestrian.

> "What does your roommate l'ke?" "Oh, most everything I got."

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