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Alma Quintet Takes Ypsilanti Into Camp, 16-18

CAMPAIGN WORK GETS UNDER WAY

Endowment Organization Rapidly Being Perfected; Extensive Plans Laid.

The endowment campaign is rapidly getting under way. Organization is rapidly going forward, and the whole drive is shaping up well. Friday Ray Johnson, publicity manager of the campaign, Hart B. Hill, the assistant campaign manager, and Frank J. Resler, the manager for Alma and Gratiot county, were in Alma with Dr. Crooks to look over the college. Mr. Abernethy, who has been in the field for some time, has also returned.

Friday afternoon Mr. Johnson, Mr. Hill, and Dr. Crooks returned to Detroit to take up the active work there. Johnson will spend several weeks planning and preparing the publicity for the drive, and will return to New York later. Mr. Hill will immediately assume his duties as assistant director.

Mr. Resler will remain in Alma. Local campaign headquarters have been set up on the second floor of the Wright Estate building, and from this place the work in Alma and Gratiot county will be carried on. Mr. Resler and his secretarial assistants are already busy with the work of organization. Different directors and leaders for the sections of the county will be appointed immediately. The general plan of organization is not yet available for publication, but announcement of it will probably be made in next week's Almanian.

Mr. Abernethy will be in Alma for some time in connection with the work here, but will then again assume his duties in the field.

It is understood that the work among the students and faculty will be gotten under way as early as possible. The leaders of the drive are predicting great success here as some his duties in the field.

So great is the faith of the leaders of the work that it is intimated that the cornerstone of the new memorial gymnasium will be laid at the commencement exercises of June 15. If the building progresses steadily during the summer the gym. will probably be ready for use by next year's basket ball season.

CLASSICAL CLUB

The meeting of the Classical Club February 23 was opened with the singing of "Integer Vitae." Roll call was responded to by present. After a short business meeting, the program for the evening was taken up. A paper on "The Roman House" was read by Mr. Rittinger and illustrated by slides. Mr. Wilson read a paper on "The Business Life of Rome" which was followed by one on "The Social Life" by Miss Ritter. Miss Boissot gave a report of the "Current Classical Magazines" in our library. The meeting was adjourned to meet again March 16.

The Japan Review, the organ of the Japanese students in America, has recently announced prizes for the best essays on the subject of Prohibition. Two prizes are to be awarded, and the contest is open to all Japanese students in the United States.

RETURN YOUR PROOFS

Don't be a hold up! You are one if you don't return your proofs to Baker promptly. A cut cannot be made until there is a print to make it from, and the print cannot be made until your proof is returned. A month is long enough for you to admire your picture. If you need a longer time, get some prints, Don't hold up the Maroon and Cream by keeping your proof.

TWO GAMES

College Five Hits Foreign Courts Again This Week.

Flushed with the wonderful victory that came Saturday night in the thrilling fray against the Michigan State Normal's basket ball five, undefeated in the M. I. A. A. race up to that time Alma collegians will seek foreign courts again this week end, meeting Hillsdale College at Hillsdale on Friday, and the Ypsilanti Normals at Ypsilanti on Saturday, and while dope is against victories in these two games, the confidence gained with the victory over the Green and White promises to make Alma a hard team to beat.

Hillsdale and Alma will be fighting to grab third place in the standings of the association, and Alma seemingly has a fine opportunity to cinch the place by defeating the Hillsdale outfit, and then dumping Ypsi's fighting bunch of Teachers. Even though Alma loses to Ypsi she will have excellent prospects of finishing in third by dumping Hillsdale.

Alma's week-end trip will be watched closely not only by Alma fans, but by the entire M. I. A. A. after the upset that the Maroon and Cream handed Ypsi's unbeaten five, which every college of the association, except Alma, had conceded the title. By trimming Alma, Ypsi will finish in a tie with Kalamazoo College, but if the Teachers lose, Kalamazoo will take the undisputed title. There is of course an "if" for Kalamazoo. They must defeat Albion this week, but the Kazooks should have no trouble in disposing of Ike Field's luckless Methodist outfit.

Y. M. C. A.

Howard Rittenger was the leader of a very successful Y. M. C. A. meeting Thursday evening. After a number of rousing old time songs had been sung to inject the proper spirit in the gathering, and a short period had been devoted to prayer, the leader spoke on the parable of the sower. He pointed out the relation between the parable and our lives, in the fact that the good things which we may receive from sermons, and talks, may grow and prosper if they find a receptive place in our hearts. It is by receiving them and putting them into practical use that we may benefit from them, the leader pointed out, and he further showed how we might keep ourselves in a receptive mood, and how we might pass on to others what we had gained. A discussion followed the talk, and then the meeting was closed with another song and the Mizpah benediction.

FROEBEL

The Froebel Society held its regular meeting Monday evening, Feb. 21. Roll call was answered by present. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. Officers treat followed the business discussion of the society. Adjournment.

ZETA SIGMA HOLDS BIG STAG BANQUET

Thirty-Second Annual Affair Held in Wright House on Saturday Evening.

The thirty-second annual Zeta Sigma Stag banquet was held at the Wright House Saturday evening. Everyone present, supplied willingly his full share in making the affair a success. And it was a success. A spirit of brotherhood seemed to grip the assembly, and there followed a remarkable expression and discussion of common interests which evolved in turn into suggestions for the betterment of Zeta Sigma and of Alma College. It was fittingly pointed out that no great ends are to be achieved without high ideals and the sincere submission of an honest purpose. Furthermore, we cannot all become patriots of the same worthy cause, unless we lend spiritual and material aid to others, and this spells brotherhood.

The chair of toastmaster was ably filled by Dean "Jimmie" Mitchell. As usual, "Jimmie" was "on the job" with an ample store of Scotch wit and humor. We heartily agree with the person who said that "Seeing 'Jimmie' Mitchell as toastmaster, is seeing him at his best." At least we mean that in this capacity he would be hard to beat.

With the blowing of the whistle, and the "Kick-off" Sharrar effectively "started something." The game of the evening and of the year was on. It remained for each individual member of the "team" to put forth his greatest effort in reaching the goal. With "Fumbles," "Bob" Adams dealt wonderfully. In every game requiring human effort for the achievement of its ends, there will be fumbles. One's ability to succeed will not be measured in his ability to shun fumbles, but rather in his capacity of dealing with them once they have been committed. When one fumbles, he needs advice and encouragement from the side-lines, and in this capacity he referred the matter to Hudson, who responded to the toast "Rooters." The "Duke" pointed out that no matter how well trained and disciplined a team is, they must have the support of the side lines or they will inevitably lose heart and purpose in the struggle before them. Wyatt vividly portrayed the necessities for "Teamwork," and applied them to several phases of human interest. It remained for "Chet" Robinson to make the "Touchdown" of the evening. In his short discourse, the old "vet" charged the other players not to be jealous of one who has realized a purpose that was striven for by all. Each member of the "team" has his own duty to perform, and the proper performing of that duty by each individual only, will make possible the touchdown of (Continued on page two)

RELAY TEAM TO M. A. C.

The Alma College Athletic Association will send a relay team to Lansing, March 11th, to take part in the indoor meet that will be held at M. A. C. The relay made up of Foster, Mitchell, Vreeland and Rose is expected to contest against Albion College in the half-mile relay event.

SEND YOUR CHECKS

Alumni and old students, attention! Have you experienced that happy feeling that comes over the person who has sent in his \$2.00 for this year's subscription to the Almanian? It puts you at peace with all the world. You want the paper, of course. We want your check, because we need the financial support. So make yourself and the business manager happy with a remittance today.

INFORMAL DANCE

Whiles Away the Snowy Afternoon Saturday—Coffee is Served.

An informal coffee and dancing party served to entertain the chronic "DeLuxers" and others who were figuratively snowbound by the blizzard of Friday night.

As was said, the affair was informal, a fact which undoubtedly made it all the more entertaining. Even the boldest of the "stags" found it hard to resist the rapid fire jazz which Gallagher drew out of the piano, and the fancy dancers were in their full glory as they skillfully weaved in and out on the crowded floor. Coffee was handy for the thirsty and the weary, serving at once as a thirst exterminator and a cure all exhilarant. And as such it must have been successful, for when the first bell rang there was no cessation of the whirling merriment. Not until the long continued peals of a second bell screamed out over all did the dancers cease to dance. With a swift rush the masculine terpsichorean artists beat a hasty retreat to the accustomed stand in the double doorway, the march of femininity began, and the good time was over.

NEWSPAPERS ON DECLINE

Says Johnson, Publicity Man, in Thursday Chapel Talk.

The present state of the newspaper profession, or "game," is much lower than it was twenty or thirty years ago, said Mr. Johnson, the publicity man of the college endowment campaign, in a chapel talk Thursday morning. Mr. Johnson has for a number of years been connected with newspapers in the great news centers, Chicago, New York, and Cleveland, and consequently can speak from experience.

He illustrated his points with many interesting stories and with a relation of a number of personal experiences. Finally he spoke of propaganda, and publicity, the work in which he is at present engaged, and after describing the work told of the opportunity in that and in the journalistic field.

The talk was unusual, and absorbing in its interest.

Y. W. C. A.

The regular meeting of the Y. W. C. A. Thursday evening, February 24, was led by Miss Lucile LeVanseler. The subject was "The Psalms," which was made very interesting by the thought and originality of the leader. Miss LeVanseler pointed out that the Psalms were not only songs of praise and prayer, but that they had a definite purpose in the Christian's life.

"What a happy world this would be if everybody were cheerful."

SPOIL TEACHERS' PENNANT HOPES

Alma Basketeers in Finest Game of Season, Upset M. I. A. A. Dope.

LOSE TO KAZOO

Hold Downstaters to Second Half Tie in Whirlwind Finish.

The Kalamazoo-Alma fray of Friday night does not furnish the pleasant reflections that the Ypsi contest does, the slow start that Alma got in the Friday night fray giving the Kazooks an eleven point lead, that even the wonderful work of the second half by the Maroon and Cream could not pull down, and Alma was defeated 32 to 21.

A lone field basket by Kirker and Beattie's five fouls in five tries marked Alma's scoring in the initial half. During this time McKay, Kern and Des Roches were each picking off three field counters.

In the second half Alma came back strong, and held the visiting aggregation to an even count, 14 to 14. Beattie was going strong in the second half, and was ably backed up in the scoring department by Kirker and Waggoner. On defense the Maroon and Cream looked much stronger than in the first half, and kept the Kalamazoo count to a smaller total.

McKay with seven field baskets and three fouls, was the big scorer of the night, but Beattie was just little behind him in this respect, the Alma star counting nine fouls and three field baskets for fifteen points.

Alma—21	Kazoo—32
Beattie rf	McKay
Howe lf	Kern
French c	Des Roches
Van Page rg	Lambke
Kirker lg	Vroeg

Field baskets—McKay 7, Kern 4, Des Roches 3, Vroeg; Beattie 3, Kirker 2, Waggoner.

Fouls—Beattie 9 out of 10, McKay 2 out of 6.

Substitutions—Hinga for Kern, Vroeg for McKay, Thompson for Vroeg, Waggoner for French, French for Waggoner, Waggoner for Kirker, Kirker for Howe.

Score first half—Kalamazoo 18, Alma 7.

Referee—Morrison, M. A. C.

Dope received the greatest upset in the history of the Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association Saturday night, when the Alma collegians defeated the Michigan State Normal team 18 to 16, after the Teachers had been conceded the association rag.

The defeat of Ypsilanti, unlooked for except by one dopster, has taken from the Green and White a basket ball championship, which not only Ypsi, but every other college in the association, had counted a tied up fight. The defeat suffered by them undoubtedly will throw Kalamazoo College and Ypsi into a tie for first place, and under the M. I. A. A. rules no title will be awarded unless a play-off is made. As both teams close their seasons this coming week it is considered as highly improbable that a play off for the title will be held.

Thus Alma, while out of the title race, had the privilege of spoiling a championship in basket ball for any other team, provided there are no upsets in the dope this week, the final week of the race.

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Bethany, W. Va., vs. Alma—Tonight—LAST HOME GAME

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SEE THEM OFF

March the fourth two important events will take place. One will be the inauguration of President-elect Harding. The other will be the Michigan State Oratorical Contest at Albion. Harding's nomination is of course important, but to us it does not hold so great an interest as the oratorical contest.

Alma's representatives this year are worthy ones. Miss Field and Mr. Vreeland are both orators of ability. They rate with the best, and it would be no surprise to see them win both contests.

But above all, our orators represent Alma. We are sending them to Albion to show the rest of the state the kind of work Alma does. And since they are our representatives we should support them in every way. And the things that help most are the personal good wishes, and a real send-off.

Shall it be that they "slink silently away, like thieves in the night" or will there be a live, enthusiastic group of rooters there to say "good-bye" and "good luck" when the train pulls out?

ZETA SIGMA BANQUET

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life. The toast, "Other Games," was responded to successively by Boyne, Smith, and Lampman. These alumni members of Zeta Sigma gave sketches of what the society has meant in the past, and what they hoped would mean in the future.

Besides the speeches there were songs by the quartette; a reading by Sharrar; and a saxophone solo by Quinlan. The Zeta Sigma song was sung by the ensemble, and the guests departed, enriched by the all-embracing spirit of brotherhood which they had gained at the occasion.

**ALMA QUINTT TAKES
YPSILANTI INTO CAMP**

(Continued from page one)
The fray marked the best display of basket ball, particularly on defense, that Alma has shown all year. The Maroon and Cream took the lead right at the start of the game on a basket by Beattie. Kirker added another before Ypsi broke into the scoring column. With the count 4 to 2, Dick Waggoner slipped in another. Wiltshire grabbed his second field basket, and Beattie came back with one to hold the four point margin. Kirker slipped in another and Beattie, after Williams had picked a foul, closed the half with another pretty field basket, making the count for the half 12 to 5 for the cohorts of Ed. Steele.

When the second half started Ypsi staged a comeback that threatened for a time to pull down the Alma lead and give the Teachers the victory that they needed to insure them the championship. Deakin nailed a long one, and then Williams slipped through the defense and counted two points. Beattie added a point for Alma on a foul, but Williams discounted the point by tossing one for Ypsi. A moment later Williams added another making the score 13 to 11 with Alma leading. Beattie tossed a basket from the center of the floor. Deakin came back with a sensational basket. Kirker picked off a pretty one, and Hole who had replaced Wiltshire slipped one into the netted circle for Ypsi. Williams added a point for Ypsi, making the score 17 to 16 with Alma on top. Hole held Beattie, and just before the final whistle the midget Detroit'er slipped in the foul, making the final count 18 to 16.

Every man on the team put up a great game the entire route, but to Beattie, who was all over the floor, and who scored ten of Alma's points, must go the lions' share of the credit. Deakin was Ypsi's star.

Capt. Dahlgren, out because of injuries, watched the fray from the sideline, and let loose a big war-whoop when time was called.

Beattie.....rf.....Williams
Kirker.....lf.....Wiltshire
French.....c.....Osborne
Van Page.....rg.....Deakin
Waggoner.....lg.....Austin
Field baskets—Beattie 4, Kirker 3, Waggoner, Wiltshire 2, Deakin 2, Williams, Hole.

Fouls—Williams 4 in 9, Hole 0 1, Beattie 2 in 5.

Substitutions—Walker for Osborne, Hole for Wiltshire.

Score first half—Alma 12, Ypsi 5.
Referee—Morrison, M. A. C.



What Is Air Pressure?

THE air is composed of molecules. They constantly bombard you from all sides. A thousand taps by a thousand knuckles will close a barn door. The taps as a whole constitute a push. So the constant bombardment of the air molecules constitutes a push. At sea-level the air molecules push against every square inch of you with a total pressure of nearly fifteen pounds.

Pressure, then, is merely a matter of bombarding molecules.

When you boil water you make its molecules fly off. The water molecules collide with the air molecules. It takes a higher temperature to boil water at sea-level than on Pike's Peak. Why? Because there are more bombarding molecules at sea-level—more pressure.

Take away all the air pressure and you have a perfect vacuum. A perfect vacuum has never been created. In the best vacuum obtainable there are still over two billion molecules of air per cubic centimeter, or about as many as there are people on the whole earth.

Heat a substance in a vacuum and you may discover properties not revealed under ordinary pressure. A new field for scientific exploration is opened.

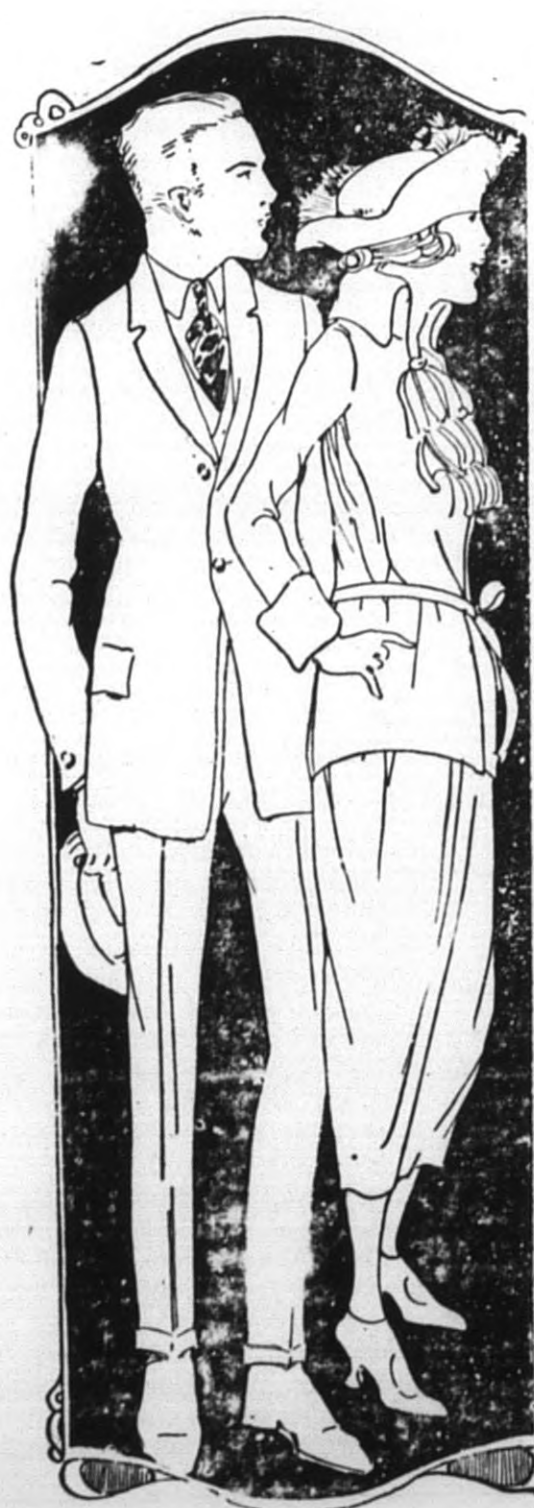
Into this field the Research Laboratories of the General Electric Company have penetrated. Thus one of the chemists in the Research Laboratories studied the disintegration of heated metals in highly exhausted bulbs. What happened to the glowing filament of a lamp, for example? The glass blackened. But why? He discovered that the metal distilled in the vacuum depositing on the glass.

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Myers: What do they do in chapel here?

Millett: Oh, a faculty member gets up, looks over the freshmen, and then prays for the college.

"Bull" Vreeland was up to his old tricks Thursday night when he slaughtered the innocents in Room 14, and brought out every monitor in Pioneer. And he left the hall because it was too noisy.

Dr. Brokenshire (in Senior Bible): Mr. Kemp, if you had one thousand women together on a desert island, would that be society?

Speed Kemp: No, that would be "the great war."

Hileman may not be a basket ball player, but from the way they cheered him at the Kazoo game, he must have looked like a whole team.

Which reminds us that our choice for the all-college quintet is: Bowman rf, Krupp lf, Shoemaker c, Hileman rg, Hicks lg. Water boy—"Angel" Boyce.

Harold Lampman, Eddie Boyne, and Chet Walker were in Alma over the week end. They came up for the Zeta Sigma Stag Banquet.

Barney always was a good Democrat (if Democrats can be good) but we never dreamed that he was going into politics for a profession. But " * * * Lyle De Barnhart of Alma was elected delegate to the Democrat state convention to be held in Jackson."

Professor Hamilton was in Saginaw Tuesday evening acting as a judge in at an East Side High School debate. The question was compulsory arbitration of labor disputes.

Dean Pollock (at house meeting): Late hours are not good for one! Experienced: No, but they are very good for two.

Mrs. Bebs (in English class): What is the plural of forget-me-not? Kenneth Fry (in weak voice): Forget-us-not.

Fresh: Have all flowers Latin names?

Fast Work on Friday Night They were introduced at 6:30 p. m. By 7:10 they were talking earnestly in Wright Hall reception room. By 7:30 they were at the Strand. At 9:00 they were having ice cream in the DeLuxe.

At 9:10 they were walking in the park.

Promptly at 9:11 he kissed her. At 9:13 she kissed him. At 10:00, with a touch of sadness they parted.

As he walked down the Wright Hall steps he thought: "I must be a handsome guy; how they do fall for me."

As she sat up in her room she thought: "How they fall; I must be a sweet girl."—Adapted from Olivet Echo.

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CAMPUS BREEZES

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Professor Ditto: Mr. Sullivan, what can you say about sea level?
Sullivan: I understand it is affected by the moon.

Prof. D.—How is that?
Sullivan: Well, the moon causes tides, and I should think they changed the sea level.

Dr. MacCurdy: Yes.
Fresher: Even the common ones?
Dr. MacC.—Yes.
Freshest: Ain't Nature just grand!

An' That Ain't All

I fell for her in the book-room,
'Twas a stormy night outside;
Oh, yes, of course, I took her home
That evening from the Libe.
She was blue-eyed, blonde and rosy;
Rosie, I think, was her name.
She had red lips, n'everything—
That camouflage a Jane.
But the best thing of all about her,
Better than all her good looks,
She was plump, and warm, and filled
my arms—
Yes, filled my arms — with books.

Omit Flowers

A green little freshman in a green
little way,
Mixed some chemicals up for fun
one day.
The green little grasses now tenderly
wave
O'er the green little freshman's
green little grave.

ALPHA THETA

The regular meeting of the Alpha
Theta Literary Society was called to
order Monday evening, February 21,
by the president, Florence Purdy.
Roll call was answered to by an im-
portant fact concerning the life of
Bach, Handel or Hayden. Agnes
Youngs gave the first impromptu,
the story of Hayden's oratorio, "The
Creation"; Helen Brien gave the sec-
ond impromptu, the story of Bach's
"My Spirit Was in Heaviness." The
current events of the two preceding
weeks were reviewed by Ruth Brad-
ley and Elsa Struble. Margaret
Moore's paper on "Music as Related
to the Other Arts," deserves especial
praise, and Louise Osgood's explana-
tion of the "Development of the
Oratorio" was excellent. Adjourn-
ment.

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