

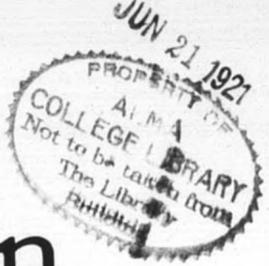
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## TWENTY WILL GRADUATE AT THE COLLEGE.

JAMES SCHERMERHORN OF THE DETROIT TIMES WILL GIVE ADDRESS.

## Fifteen Complete the Kindergarten Course

The thirty-fourth annual commencement program at Alma college will open with the farewell communion service at the First Presbyterian church on Sunday morning, June 12, and will come to a close on Wednesday, June 15, at which time twenty seniors of the college will receive diplomas, and 15 young ladies will complete the two year course of the Kindergarten department, which will be discontinued after this year.

Naturally the biggest feature of the commencement week activities will come on Wednesday, June 15, when the annual commencement exercises are held. James Schermerhorn, editor of the Detroit Times, and considered one of Michigan's most able speakers, will deliver the commencement address. Following the address the graduates from the College will be awarded their diplomas, and the fifteen young ladies finishing the Kindergarten course will receive their state teachers certificates. Awarding of honorary degrees if any are voted by the trustees at the annual meeting of June 14, will be made at these exercises.

Another feature of the program for commencement will be the baccalaureate address on Sunday evening, June 12, at the First Presbyterian church. The address will be given by President H. M. Crooks.

At 9:00 a. m. Monday, June 13, the final chapel service of the year will be held. At that time emblems and medals for orators, debaters and athletes will be awarded.

Monday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock the final Kindergarten exhibit will be held, as the department will be discontinued with the close of the present year.

This will be followed by the senior class play, "A Tailor-Made Man," a highly amusing comedy, which will be given at the Strand that evening.

Tuesday at 5:00 a. m., the "A" men of the college will hold the annual "A" spread at Honeyoye creek.

At 9:00 a. m., the annual meeting of the board of trustees of the college will be held. The meeting is expected to be a highly important one, coming as it does with the close of the endowment campaign that the college has been waging in the state, and some important matters relating to the future of the institution will probably be before the board for discussion.

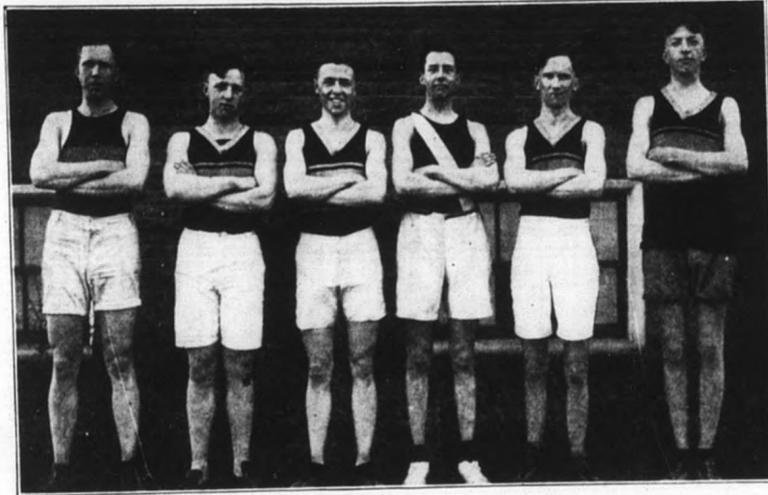
At noon on Tuesday the annual Alumni luncheon will be held in the college grove.

Tuesday evening the senior promenade and the president's reception will be held.

The twenty seniors who complete their courses at Alma College June 15, are William D. Amos of Plymouth, Pa.; Lyle D. Barnhart of Berrien Springs, Willard David Beshgetoor of Alma, Virginia Blick of Detroit, Horace N. Calkins of Sebewaing, Paul R. Cash of Alma, Harriet Emily Davis of Detroit, Ralph M. Dean of Vermontville, Allen T. Follette of Coldwater, Gordon French of Bay City, Esther M. Friedrich of Coldwater, William J. B. Hicks of St. Louis, Margaret E. Moore of Flint, Hartzell J. Lyon of Rockford, Clair A. Perrigo of St. Louis, Florence J. Purdy of Gagetown, Andree Pratoicy of Perigueix, France, Johanna E. Ritter of New York, Lee M. Sharrar of Alma and Marion L. Reid of Chicago.

The fifteen ladies who complete the Kindergarten are Alice M. Ardis of Lake City, Kathleen B. Black of Milford, Jeanette F. Curtis of Yale, Gladys Edgar of Lapeer, Harriet

## ALMA TRACK TEAM



WILL CONTEST AT ALBION ON FIELD DAY

Brown of Milford, Vera K. Hudson of Middleton, Helen McConkey of Coldwater, Pauline Swift of Massena, New York; Fromilda Young of Holland, Persis Robinson of Traverse City, Harriet Davis of Detroit, Lulu Stone of Detroit, Mrs. Nellie Annibal of Alma, Annette McLaren of Alma and Elizabeth Anderson of Sault Ste. Marie.

### PICNIC FOR FROEBELS

The jungle party given Monday evening, May 23, for the members of Froebel Society by the girls of the Philomathean and Alpha Theta Literary societies, will be remembered long by all those who gathered around the fires. The food was the central attraction of the affair and each girl did ample justice to the steak and its accessories. When the various appetites had been appeased, and cozy groups were chatting together, some impromptu stunts and impersonations were enacted. The most popular member of the faculty was discovered, and many interesting traits of several of the others were demonstrated. Virginia Blick told us her ever-new story of the postal box and "dat leetle gat," and then as a real expression of the appreciation which the two societies feel for Froebel, Margaret Moore gave a tribute to them. Upon dispersing the group, yells were given by all three societies for each other and Miss Conyne.

There was a great deal of fun and jolly playing, but under all the pleasure lay a sort of lonesomeness when the thought came that this was the last thing which could be done in our college for the Froebel society. The comradeship of that party is a mere echo of the comradeship which the Froebel girls have extended freely, and so let us all say, "Here's to the Froebel girls" with all the best wishes and Godspeed of our good will and affection.

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Senior play, best ever, Strand soon.

## Maroon and Cream Is Nearly Ready

The staff work of the 1921 Maroon and Cream has now been entirely finished, and the annual is in the hands of the printers, with the prospect that it will be out within a couple of weeks.

The staff this year has put forth its every effort to make this college yearbook the best that has ever been issued, and to this end the members have been working day and night during the last few weeks. In fact, Williams now claims an intimate knowledge of night flying bugs and other species, gained from the wee small hours at the Royal, with the window open.

Several new and original features are included in this Maroon and Cream. Especially notable will be the cartoon and illustrating work. The staff has been fortunate in finding capable talent in the college to take care of it in a most suitable manner.

Every event of the college year, it is believed, has been noted, even though only by calendar. The book will be a complete record of 1920-21 college year, touched with college tradition, college spirit, and college pride. The Juniors have called this "The Pine Issue" and sprinkled through it all are touches of the atmosphere of Alma's river.

It is sincerely hoped by the Juniors that one of these annuals will be placed in the hands of every student of the college and that a large number of alumni will avail themselves of the opportunity of securing a yearbook.

So watch and wait for the Maroon and Cream. It will be out soon, and it will be a good one, "the best ever." The staff and all the Juniors are worthy of the unstinted praise of the college for their work.

Tell them you saw it in the Almanian.

Coming, "A Tailor-Made Man."

### GIVE RECITAL

Misses Florence Purdy and Helen Huff, assisted by Miss Fromilda Young, gave their graduating recital in piano in the college chapel, Saturday evening, May 28. The program rendered was:

Sonata Op. 31 No. 2 (first movement) (Beethoven)—Helen Huff.

Etude in F sharp (Arensky), Nocturne (Grieg), Prelude in G minor (Rachmaninoff)—Florence Purdy.

Dost thou know that sweet land (Mignon) (Thomas)—Miss Young.

Thou art repose (Shubert-Liszt), Romance (LaForge), Witches' Dance (MacDowell)—Helen Huff.

E'er since the day (Louise) (Charpentier)—Fromilda Young.

Concerto, G minor Allegro, Andante (Mendelssohn)—Florence Purdy.

The work of these students furnished a well balanced musical entertainment for the evening, and was greatly enjoyed by the audience. It is a tribute to the diligent work of the pupils and to the excellence of their instructors that they should perform so capably. It is only another indication that the music department of the college, though doing its work quietly, is doing it thoroughly and well.

### PIONEER

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In future years when old we grow  
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Or roamed your dusty hall  
Oh would that you could talk  
And tell of better days  
Of all your conquering heroes  
Who now live far away  
Friend of our younger years  
You were wise to every spree  
Taught us our daily lessons  
Till we launched upon life's sea.

S. H. S.

## ALMA NINE DEFEATED BY LEGION TEAM

HOME RUN, TRIPLE, AND THREE DOUBLES HELP SOLDIERS WIN 8-6.

## Steele and Johnston Pitch for Winners

With Eddie Johnston, former college star, and Edwin Steele, Alma College coach throwing the pill, the American Legion team defeated the collegians Saturday by a score of 8 to 6, a home run, a triple and three doubles from the delivery of Scott, on the mound for the Maroon and Cream, aiding the ex-service men in their counting.

The Legionaires grabbed two runs in the first inning when Scott was reached for two bingles, one of them a double. "Scoop" Rogers got a base on balls. "Buddy" Ryan grounded out and Rogers went to second on the play. "Bullet" Fitch smashed one to center field for two sacks, scoring Rogers. Archer singled and Fitch counted. Woodley reached first on an error, but the next two men died painlessly. The college aggregation used three hits for a single run in their half of the first, and would have counted more runs, undoubtedly, but for "bonehead" base running. Dancer grounded out. R. Williams singled to left. Rathsburg drove one at Archer at short that was too hot to handle. Scott singled and Williams cashed a run. Rathsburg was caught at the plate on the play. Scott attempted to steal third and was nailed with ease.

In the second only three Legionaires faced Scott, and in their half the collegians knotted the count. Kirker opened with a two base smack. Waggoner flied out. Dahlgren kissed one for a single to left, and Kirker scored. Rose was made a present of the first sack, when Johnston heaved four wide ones. Swanson struckout. Dancer got a base on balls, but was immediately killed off at second after Williams had rolled an easy grounder to Rogers at that sack.

The score remained a tie until the fifth, when the Legion added another. McNeill lifted one to short center, the ball becoming lost in the grass, and what should have been a single was turned into a home run. The collegians attempted the hit and run stuff in their half, in the effort to again tie the count. Williams singled to left. Rathsburg drove one to Archer and Williams was cut down at second. Scott drove one to Archer, and he started a double killing, Archer to Rogers to Woodley.

Fitch singled to left. Archer struck out. Woody lifted one to Scott, who started a double play that killed off Fitch.

In the seventh Scott was hit hard and five runs counted. Steele flied to Scott. Knight got four wide ones. McNeill doubled and Knight counted. Manion lifted one for two sacks and McNeill cashed. "Scoop" Rogers struck out. Buddy Ryan deflected one off Scott's shoese for a single, Manion going to third. Fitch connected with one for three sacks, scoring Manion and Ryan. Archer singled and Fitch scored. Johnston, who had replaced Woodley at first, grounded out.

The collegians facing a score of 8 to 2, started a rally that nearly drove Steele from the box in the eighth, four runs being counted. Rathsburg started it with a single to center. Scott sent one at Rogers that nearly took him off his feet. Kirker, as usual, stepped into a hero role at this stage and cracked one for three bases, scoring Rathsburg and Scott. Waggoner was safe on Johnston's error, Kirker scoring. Dahlgren singled and Waggoner went to third. Dahlgren was cut down at 2nd on Rose's nfield tap, Waggoner scoring. Swanson grounded out. Dancer walked. Williams smashed one to third and

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## GIRLS' GLEE CLUB



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**"THE LIE THAT JACK BUILT"**

Wednesday night the Philomathean room in Wright Hall was the scene of much expectation on the part of the audience who were gathered to give their critical opinion as to whether the tremendous production, sparkling with wit and humor, dazzling with the brilliant costumes of the women, and heart rending with its passages of tears and sorrow, would have a long run.

They decided that never before had they seen a drama which was so true to life, at least so lifelike in the character of the supposed hero. They decided that the Deans of Women over the country should advise their girls to see this before taking steps toward a future alliance.

People from all over were gathered to witness this much talked of and long waited for (by the freshmen) event. There were couples from among the campus women who had spent their last cent to buy a ticket; children who had to be held in their mother's arms, stenographers, young club women and even a few college professors, prominent in the musical world. There was something to please all even though it was only popcorn.

The manager of the production was one who has had much experience, and the critics wish to give him credit for the admirable way in which he produced a difficult drama.

The scene of the play was laid in Mr. Elligan's apartments. He had been trying the age old game of trying to keep two women on the string. Affairs became very complicated when both women appeared in his apartment at the same time. He tried to be saying one was his cousin and the other his friend's wife. His deception was discovered and the women deserted him.

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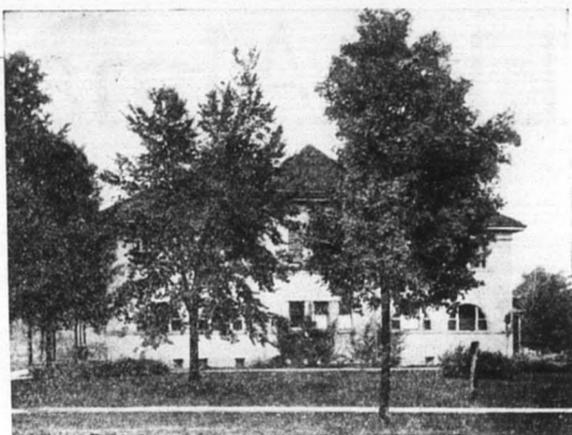
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The discontinuing of the Kindergarten department at Alma College, and the expectation of a new gymnasium in the very near future is giving rise to speculation as to what use the present gymnasium building will be put to, as it soon will cease to be needed either for the purpose of housing the Kg. department, which has for years used the first floor of the structure or for the promotion of the physical welfare of the students of the college, as the second floor has been used in gymnasium work for over a score of years.

To be used for college work of any other kind, the belief is held that the building must undergo numerous alterations and repairs. And in this connection it is considered as decidedly doubtful if the college authorities will leave the structure at its present location if it is decided to give it any very extensive remodeling to fit it up for other purposes.

The idea behind such reasoning is the fact that the architects plan for the college calls for dormitories where the gymnasium building is now located. That means it would hardly be probable that the college would spend any considerable sum of money in remodeling the structure in its present location only to be forced to move it in a few years.

Thus it is considered that when the matter is given consideration by the Board of Trustees that the structure will be moved to a permanent location, and then remodeled and made into another building for the college. There are two probable permanent locations for the building, judging from the plan for the college. One of these is to the south of the library and museum, and the other to the east of Davis field.

Whether or not the trustees will decide to move the structure this coming year, or remodel it temporarily and leave it in its present location for the time being, is a question that will probably be one of the many that will be before the Board of Trustees at its next meeting, although it is possible that it may not come up until some later period. That it will be a matter that will not be held in abeyance long, is regarded as certain, however from the fact that the college can well use the additional room that the old gymnasium building will provide, once it has been remodeled, either permanently or temporarily.

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**ALMA NINE DEFEATED BY LEGION TEAM**  
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Rose was nailed at the plate by Ryan's quick return for the third out. In the ninth the collegians made a brave effort to tie the score, Rathsburg opening the inning with a single and stole. Scott's best was a long fly. Kirker struck out, and the attempted rally was killed off when Waggoner grounded out, leaving the Legionaires winners by a score of 8 to 6.

LEGION	AB	H	PO	A
Rogers, 2nd	2	0	6	4
Ryan, 3rd	3	1	3	2
Fitch, c	4	3	9	2
Archer, ss	4	2	0	2
Woodley, 1st	3	0	2	0
Johnston, p-lf	2	0	4	1
Knight, m	3	0	1	0
McNeill, lf	4	2	2	0
Manion, rf	4	1	0	0
Steele, p	3	0	0	0
Sawyer, m	0	0	0	0

COLLEGE	AB	H	PO	A
Dancer, 2nd	3	0	2	1
R. Williams, ss	5	2	1	1
Rathsburg, 1st	5	2	10	2
Scott, p	5	3	4	7
Kirker, 3rd	5	3	1	1
Waggoner, c	5	0	6	0
Dahlgren, lf	4	3	0	0
Rose, m	3	1	0	0
Swanson, rf	4	0	0	0
*Marks	0	0	0	0

\*Marks ran for Scott in 1st, 3rd and 8th innings.  
Legion 2 0 0 1 0 0 5 0—8  
College 1 1 0 0 0 0 4 0—6  
Runs—McNeill 2, Fitch 2, Rogers, Ryan, Knight, Manion—8. Kirker 2, Waggoner, Scott, Rathsburg, Williams—6. Errors—Rogers, Fitch, Johnston, Kirker 2. Home run—McNeill. Three-base hits—Kirker, Fitch. Two-base hits—Kirker, McNeill, Fitch, Manion. Double plays—Scott to Rathsburg, Archer to Rogers to Johnston. Hits off Johnston, five in two innings, off Steele nine in seven innings. Bases on balls—off Johnston 2, off Steele 1, off Scott 3. Struck-out—by Johnston 3, by Steele, 4, by Scott 6. Hit by pitcher—by Scott 1.

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