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## ZETA SIGMA HAS ANNUAL BANQUET

DANCE IN COLLEGE GYM FOLLOWS BANQUET IN I. O. O. F. HALL.

The Zeta Sigma Literary Society held its thirty-third annual banquet in the I.O.O.F. hall Saturday evening, November 19th. Many Alumni and friends, as well as the active members of the society were present at this social function which yearly marks the zenith of social endeavor of the society.

At six o'clock in the evening, couples began to gather in the lodge rooms of the I. O. O. F. hall. Without delay they were assembled in a line according to their position in the guest list of the program, and as Gallagher's five-piece orchestra struck up a lively march, they were led into the banquet room by President and Mrs. H. M. Crooks. The decorations for the room were of the simplest sort and yet they were sufficient to greet the observer with the pleasantest sensations. The long tables, covered with white linen and set with glittering silver reminded one of the great essential of a banquet; glimpses of society and Alma colors on banners and streamers released pent up enthusiasm for an event which anticipation had stored up. When everyone had reached his assigned place, Dr. Crooks returned thanks to the One who had made the banquet possible, and then all sat down to enjoy themselves before the speakers had an opportunity to obliterate any possible desire to eat.

After the debris from the vicious attacks on the feast had been cleared away, Toastmaster Marks arose, gave the welcome and introduced the first speaker of the evening, Victor Crittenden, president of the society, who spoke of the importance of a good foundation in connection with a society as well as with a house. The next speaker, Lowell Hudson, likened the framework of the society to the many experiences that an organization has to meet. The faculty of the college was ably represented by Professor R. C. Ditto, whose speech which was, "The House That Zeta Sigma Built," intimated that the roof of the structure was in a position to look down upon the activities which transpire inside the house and to see if the members are working as they should. The last three speakers, Don Smith accompanied by Robinson from the Alumni, Fred Mobley, representing the Freshmen, and Miss Mildred Cash, president of the Alpha Theta society, represented well the equally as important parts of a house, "The Shingles," "The Stucco," and "The Porch," respectively. At the conclusion of the programme, the guests and the patronesses, Mrs. Katherine Foster Roberts, Dean of Women, and Mrs. Harry Means Crooks, were taken to the college gymnasium where dancing was enjoyed until eleven-thirty.

As usual, everyone enjoyed the Zeta Sigma Banquet, for to those really interested in the activities of a society there is no re-awakening of acquaintances, no spirit of interest, of friendliness, nor of good fellowship like that spirit which is shown at Zeta Sigma's Annual Banquet.

### PHILOMATHEAN

The regular meeting of Philomathean Literary Society was held on Monday evening, Nov. 14. The meeting was called to order by the president, Louise Hainline. Roll call was answered by Philo yell. Professor Hamilton talked to the society about oratory and debating for the year. He said that he hoped many of the upper class women in the society as well as the Freshmen women would write orations. He also hoped that teams would be selected at once for debating as he was anxious to have inter-society debates before long.

Christine Decker and Ruth King responded to the impromptu "My first impressions of Philomathean." As many of the girls were going to the lyceum entertainment, "The Mollusc," the meeting adjourned.

## Dean of Women Is Duly Established

Mrs. Katherine F. Roberts has accepted the position as Dean of Women in Alma College. Her five years of experience as Dean of Women and instructor of English in the Southeast Missouri State Teachers' College of Cape Girardeau, Missouri, has well fitted her for her difficult task here. Mrs. Roberts has sacrificed her year's leave of absence from this college to fill the vacancy in Alma. She has had an extensive and thorough education in Cornell University, the University of Chicago, and John Hopkins University.

Miss Phyllis E. Byrnes, assistant dean, has shown her loyalty to the students of Alma in her cheerful devotion during the past two weeks. In Miss Byrnes, Mrs. Roberts has indeed a very capable assistant.

The students of Alma already admire Mrs. Roberts' quiet dignity, friendliness, and whole-hearted desire to co-operate with them in all their campus activities. The faculty recognizes Mrs. Roberts' value as an instructor and counsellor in Alma College. We all realize the difficult position in which Mrs. Roberts is placed at this particular time, but we heartily believe that she is a woman capable of carrying on the work so well begun this semester.

Numerous social functions have been given as a welcome to Mrs. Roberts. Tuesday afternoon the faculty entertained at a tea. Thursday the Y. W. C. A. entertained in Mrs. Roberts' honor. It is pleasing to know that Mrs. Roberts is to stay at Wright hall during the Thanksgiving recess, and that she has expressed her desire to make the vacation period as pleasant and home-like as possible for those students remaining here.

## "Al" Tells Another

When the Bolsheviks gained control in Russia, everything became even more unsettled than it had been before. Age old traditions and precedents were torn ruthlessly from their heretofore invincible pedestals; law, government, and all forms of order were made a mockery of; personal freedom and personal rights were totally disregarded, in fact, conditions became such that one hardly dared to venture out into the streets after dark, for fear of becoming the victim of some frenzied mob, or of groups of drunken soldiers.

It was in such a chaos that our young friend, "Al" Dawidoff, spent some very exciting months. He found almost every hour of his life fraught with some danger or peril. "Al" hardly dared to go to sleep at night, for fear that he would not be alive in the morning, for it was a common sport with the "Reds" to break into the houses, at all hours of the night, and murder the inhabitants. "Al" found also that he could not do everything he pleased, for the Extraordinary Commission was continually putting into effect some new law or order, the disregarding of which was punishable with death. Most of these laws were needless and inconsistent, but what angered the people most, was the mushroom growth of these Bolshevik decrees, for they sprang up in such short order that no one could be expected to keep posted on every one.

Due to ignorance of these new decrees, "Al" found himself in trouble one night. He had been invited out for supper, and spent the greater part of the evening with his friends. It was about 10:30 p. m. when he finally decided to leave. "Al" started briskly for home, but he had not gone far when he was stopped by two "Red" soldiers. "Ho, there young fellow, what are you doing out this time of the night," gruffly asked one of the "Reds."

"Al" could see that they had been drinking, and so he realized that he must choose his words with care, or they would be quick to anger. "Why, my good fellows, I am merely returning from my friend's home."

"But you have broken an edict of the Extraordinary Commission, that no one should be on the streets after ten o'clock at night." "Al" glanced

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## PHI STAG HELD AT WRIGHT HALL

EXCELLENT REPEAST SERVED; PROGRAM ENJOYED IN GLOW OF OPEN FIRE.

The annual banquet of Phi Phi Alpha was held in the Wright Hall dining room last Saturday evening. The affair proved to be all the enthusiastic Phi expected and hoped for. Every Phi man and the guests were on hand promptly at eight o'clock to enjoy a sumptuous feast and a live program.

In keeping with the spirit of the occasion, the dining room was profusely decorated with Alma College and Phi Phi Alpha pennants and banners. The result of the efforts of the committee in charge of the decorations was a very cosy room, illuminated by the mellow light of numerous candles and by a crackling grate fire.

Rev. Lovell, the guest of honor, returned thanks. Then the company devoted its attentions to the prolonged and arduous task of disposing of what Vreeland called "the refreshments." There were few frills, but a real solid square meal that made the boys think of home and mother's cooking.

### THE MENU

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|-------------------------|--------------------|
| Cream of Tomato Bullion | Sweet Pickles      |
| Olives                  | Mashed Potatoes    |
| Chicken                 | Gravy Cranberries  |
| Scalloped Corn          | Parker House Rolls |
| Maple Nut Ice Cream     | Huckleberry Pie    |
| Cream                   | Whipped Cream Cake |
|                         | Coffee             |

The comparative silence of the first few moments was due to the fact that everyone was indulging. Even Vreeland didn't have time to talk. This, however, was only the preliminary to the big treat that was to follow, for, when President Williams pushed back his chair, all knew that everyone was through eating and was waiting for the fun to begin. The program was entitled:

### A GOOD OLD

PHI PHI ALPHA CHEWING MATCH (Everything as it used to be)

Clarence Le Roy Williams was Chief Arguer and had the usual toastmaster's line. He made each speaker feel the buff of his witticisms. "Vic" Soderstrom wailed for the Freshmen. His talk on "Seen but not heard" struck a responsive key for he interpreted the intended meaning of the subject quite correctly. H. Bailey, a "before the war" fellow who has forgotten it, gave the Soph toast entitled "Let Me Talk." His talk was full of punch and the speaker took the opportunity to compliment the Freshmen class on the total deadness they displayed when they flew their own class flag at half mast. "Duke" Waggoner favored the company with some Junior jazz entitled "Kicking the Piano." His talk satirized the accomplishments of each Junior present and created much humor. Mr. Wayne Wenger sniffed for the Seniors. His subject, "In the Good Old Days," was allowed in memoriam to the S. A. T. C. to the deep gratification of "Tubby" Sartor and the other heroes of the old student army who were present. Wayne described a day's routine in the organization relating numerous incidents and practical jokes that occurred in those "good old days." His talk was intensely interesting and was enjoyed very much.

That the old Phi spirit was present was more and more in evidence as each speech was given. This was especially true of the last three numbers on the program.

Prof. Actavio P. Guerra, of Saginaw Eastern High, and Prof. Lyle de Barnhart, of Alma Central High, gave the society some very "alumniating" advice. Barnhart, speaking on the subject "As I Was Saying," put into words the feeling of fraternal friendship and loyalty that characterizes the spirit of Phi Phi Alpha. During the course of his remarks Prof. Barnhart recalled outstanding

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## New Men's Society Is Being Organized

The readers of The Almanain have doubtless heard rumors about the formation of a new society for men. The recent success of Kappa Iota has given the movement confidence, and the new society is now passing through the formative stages. At the meeting held November 17, selected representatives of the Freshman class were present to form the nucleus for future growth. With the kind assistance of advisors from the older societies and of Professor Hamilton temporary officers were elected, and men eligible for membership were discussed as to their desirable qualities. A committee was appointed by the president, Mr. Baker, to extend invitations to those whom the session voted to accept. There is a general feeling among the present members that the motto of the new society should be "work," and that a fellow must have shown himself to be no shirker in order to be elected. Especially will that fact be emphasized in the forming of the nucleus, where a drone would be a distinct hold-back.

The framers of the new society fully realize that there is work ahead. Any aid from the two existing societies, from the faculty, or from the student body in general, will be heartily appreciated. But whether that aid is forthcoming or not, the sponsors of the movement know that there is enough vim, red blood, and backbone behind them to instill sufficient vigor into the organization to enable it to fight its way, even against opposition.

The former Zeta Sigma room is to become the stamping ground of the latest Alma production. The next meeting, at which a name, constitution, etc., will be discussed, is to be held Tuesday evening, Nov. 22, at 7:30 o'clock.

This movement should demand the loyalty of Alma College because it has had its very inception through a desire to bring a little nearer to some of Alma's sons a clearer conception of her noble purposes and ideals.

## Lyceum Enjoyed

The famous three act comedy, "The Mollusc," which had two seasons in New York, a splendid road tour of the country, and which proved a sensation in London, proved a magnet for Alma people, there being a big demand for single admissions in addition to the season tickets that had been sold. As the advance notices predicted, it proved to be a jewel among comedies and kept the big audience in a cheerful, smiling mood from the rise of the curtain for the first act, until "The Mollusc" made a complete recovery at the end of the third act and the final curtain descended.

Mrs. Baxter, the principal character of Hubert Henry Davies' comedy, is a human mollusc, enjoying the luxury of attendance upon her slightest wish and whim. The governess is enjoined to accompany Mr. Baxter on his walks or where his fancy may lead him, that Mrs. Baxter might not be compelled to leave home. Baxter gradually finds the governess, Miss Roberts, indispensable to him, and the affair is getting serious, although Miss Roberts has no affection for him. Tom Kemp, Mrs. Baxter's brother, comes along, puts himself to the task of curing the mollusc, and averting the affair between Baxter and Miss Roberts. The wife finally sees the gravity of the situation and restores love and order to a house about to fall. Kemp falls in love with Miss Roberts during the action of the comedy, but is opposed by both of the Baxters. In the end, however, Kemp wins.

For the benefit of those Frosh who think that their lot is a hard one, an excerpt from the Freshmen rules for an Idaho college is printed herewith: "All Freshmen must wear the regulation 'spike-pompadour,' the length of the hair at no time exceeding one inch and a half. . . . Also all Freshmen girls must dress the hair in such a manner as to give proper exposure to the auditory organs."

## ALMA SURPRISES KAZOO WARRIORS

CAMPBELL'S ELEVEN UPSETS DOPE AND HOLDS KAZOO TO TWO TOUCHDOWNS.

Coach Youngs's Kalamazoo College Michigan Intercollegiate Champions were forced to battle to the limit Saturday on a muddy field to defeat the Maroon and Cream aggregation by a score of 15 to 0. Even this score does not show the battle that the Campbell's clan waged, as a penalty, which gave Kalamazoo the ball on the Alma five yard line, was the direct cause of the second touchdown made by Kalamazoo, and which it developed could not have been made otherwise.

To start Alma kicked to Kazoo, Casteel being downed on the Kazoo 40 yard line. Vroeg, Kreuz and Casteel carried the ball to the 30 yard line, where Shaver dropped on a Kazoo fumble. On the first play Alma was offside. Wright made 13 around left end. Foster failed to gain. Wright slipped in the mud and lost 2 yards. Alma punted, Kazoo getting the ball on her 40 yard line. Taylor ripped off 17 yards around left. Casteel made 7. Casteel lost 5. A pass failed. Vroeg failed to make it first down and Alma took the ball on the Alma 24 yard line on downs. Foster lost 2 yards. Alma lost 5 yards for offside. Aderson went back to punt. The pass was high, going over his head. He raced back and dropped on the ball behind the goal for a safety, giving Kalamazoo two points.

It was Alma's ball on the 30 yard line. A pass failed. A pass Catherman to Wright gave 2 yards. Kazoo was penalized 15 for roughing. Anderson smashed through the center of Kazoo's line for 15. Two plays failed to gain and Alma punted. Casteel made 9 and then went around left for 40 yards to the Alma 26 yard line. Shaver intercepted a pass. Alma failed to gain and punted. A pass Casteel to Doyle gave Kazoo 20 yards. Taylor laid out on the sidelines, and Casteel passed to him, Taylor having no trouble running the last 20 yards to the goal. Casteel goaled.

Immediately after Casteel tore off 35 yards on the kickoff to the Alma 40 yard line time was called for the quarter. After two exchanges of punts, Alma took the ball on her own 15 and started a driving attack with Wright, Catherman and Anderson slashing the line. A pass from Catherman was missed by Waggoner, but Sartor nailed it, for a 35 yard gain. Wright added nine more. Alma was penalized fifteen and failing to gain on passes punted behind Kazoo's goal. The ball went in to play on the Kazoo 20. Kazoo was forced to punt, and recovered when Alma fumbled. Catherman intercepted a pass on the Alma 19. Alma was held and started to punt. Kazoo blocked the kick and recovered on Alma's 11 yard line. The half ended with the ball in Kalamazoo's possession one foot from the Alma goal. Kalamazoo kicked to Alma, and recovered her own on sidekick on the Alma 44 yard line. Spurgeon gained

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### ALPHA THETA

A regular meeting of the Alpha Theta Literary Society was called to order Monday evening, November 14, by the president, Mildred Cash. Roll call was answered by an anecdote concerning Abraham Lincoln.

Agnes Youngs gave an impromptu on the one-act play, its technique compared and contrasted with that of longer dramas. Lucy Fellows read an excellent paper on "How to Enjoy the Drama." Then Helen Brien presented a comprehensive and interesting review of Drinkwater's "Abraham Lincoln."

At the conclusion of the program Professor Hamilton talked of public speaking, oratory, and debate, and urged the girls to take an interest in the oratorical and debating contests of the coming season. Adjournment.



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## TIME

Recently a certain professor arrived one morning at his class room to conduct the recitation, and was startled to find the room deserted in spite of the fact that his watch told him that it was exactly time for the last bell. On another occasion a student was reprimanded for being tardy, unjustly it seemed, for his watch said that he still had a minute to spare. The incidents might be multiplied indefinitely in which various individuals have missed connections on the campus simply because one person went by Western Union time while the other went by Alma College time.

Alma College time is a variable, and varies directly and successively with three watches, belonging respectively to the Wright Hall janitor, the head waiter, and college janitor. The women are aroused in the morning by the 6:30 rising bell which is rung on time to the best knowledge and belief of the Wright Hall janitor. Then any time between twenty-five and thirty-five minutes later they are summoned to breakfast by the head waiter whose timepiece records 7:00. Promptly at 7:50 according to the college janitor's watch which is so accurate that the janitor admits he has never set it for twenty-two years, the classes are called. One young lady testified that she wore the stem out of her watch trying to keep it in correspondence with the triune chronology of our campus.

The remedy for the situation is to establish on the campus a system of clocks regulated by Western Union. There ought to be three of them—one each in Wright Hall, the Library and the Administration Building. The Student Council investigated the cost of the installation of such a system and found it to be very reasonable and submitted a report to the faculty recommending the installation of three clocks. Nothing has been heard from this recommendation and it is feared that it has been filed away with the plans for the new gymnasium. It is ridiculous to drift along in a constant state of uncertainty as to the actual time, and if it is within the realm of possibility the matter should be attended to before it enters the maelstrom of tabled improvements.

## Y. W. C. A. MEETING

The weekly meeting of the Y. W. C. A. was held Thursday, Nov. 17th. After the opening hymn and a short prayer, Louise Osgood introduced the speaker of the evening, Mr. Lovell, who read from the tenth chapter of John. Mr. Lovell pointed out how America is regarded as an example to other nations. He showed the need for a good citizenship in America in order that foreign students may carry back to their respective countries the correct standard of American government. Mr. Lovell expressed his disappointment because of the fact that young women of today are not living up to the ideals set for them. American women are placed on pedestals, the speaker continued, because of their keener perception, loftier ideals and fine sensibilities. Men naturally look to them for inspiration. If the women fail to realize their influence, and the opportunity presented to them, the morale of the whole nation will be lowered. In general, the young women of today are failing in their duty to the nation. They are satisfied to live aimlessly and without object. In conclusion, the speaker said that college women are powers for good in any community, and urged that they realize that power and responsibility, and measure up to the true standard of American womanhood.

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## Proclamation

By the Governor

"Oh, that man would praise the Lord for his goodness, and for his wonderful works to the children of men."

In accordance with the custom long ago established by our fathers, it is entirely fitting that, at this season of the year, we should set apart a day of thanksgiving to Almighty God, the source of all good, for the manifold mercies and blessings that are ours.

There is an old legend which says there are two angels whose duty it is to bear from earth the prayers of men. One is the angel of Requests and the other the angel of Thanksgiving. Each carries a large basket as he flies from place to place, listening at the doors of prayer-closets. The angel of Requests soon has his baskets filled and heaped up with the supplications of men, but the angel of Thanksgiving, after going all his rounds, has only a few little hymns of gratitude in the bottom of his basket.

Perhaps this fancy is truer than we suppose. People murmur and find fault much oftener than they rejoice and give thanks; but, as we look back over the past year, we have abundant reason for Thanksgiving in our individual lives, as a State, and as a Nation. A sufficient harvest has been gathered and we are assured of sustenance for man and beast. Our people, as a rule have been sober and steadfast, honest and industrious. No other land has been so highly favored as our own. We have still graver problems to solve, but, gaining courage from the experience of the past, we may go forward in hope and confidence, guided and blessed by the Providence of God.

Therefore, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Governor of the State of Michigan, I hereby join the President of the United States in designating Thursday, November 24, 1921, as a day of Thanksgiving and Prayer.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State, this tenth day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-one, and of the Commonwealth the eighty-fifth.

Alex J. Groesbeck, Governor.  
By the Governor;  
Charles J. DeLand,  
Secretary of State.

## Alumni

### Gets Master's Degree at Columbia.

Mr. Frank Bittner, Class of 1918, has just been granted the degree of Master of Arts in Chemistry at Columbia University. Mr. Bittner was for two years student assistant in chemistry at Alma and later chemist for the Briscoe Motors Co. at Jackson. He held a fellowship in chemistry at Purdue University for one year and last year he had an \$800 teaching fellowship at Columbia University.

Mr. Alonzo G. Beshgetoor, class '17, who is one of the research chemists at the Dow Chemical Co., gave a very interesting talk before the class in general chemistry upon his work at Midland. The fact that Mr. Beshgetoor is one of the few chemists that have been retained by the company during the present financial depression speaks well of his work with the company.

Do you know about these marriages, all of which took place during the summer? Norma Swift, Kg., '20, to Wade Haggard, now principal of Arthur Hill High School, Saginaw. Beatrice McMann, attended Alma in '17 and '18, to Jesse Jenks of Harbor Beach. Loa Voelker, Kg., '19, to Lawrence H. Conner of Ionia, Michigan.

### KAPPA IOTA

A meeting of the Kappa Iota Literary Society was held in the new society room Monday, Nov. 14th. The society room has been newly furnished in mahogany, and the color scheme of violet and gold is carried out as much as possible in the other decorations. This room would be a credit to any society, and Kappa Iota is proud of her first efforts. At the meeting it was decided that the tea to be given before Thanksgiving should be postponed until after the Thanksgiving recess on account of the examinations.

The all-absorbing topic of the formal dance was discussed and the date was set for January 6th. This dance is to be the social debut of the society. Of course, there will be other important activities before then but the pep, originality and enthusiasm of Kappa Iota will find expression at that time.

The pins have at last arrived. Even to the outsider, they are especially good looking, but to the members of Kappa Iota they are a bit more shiny, a bit more original, a bit dearer. They are the tangible proof of the stand they have taken for Kappa Iota.

### PHI PHI ALPHA

The regular meeting of the Phi Phi Alpha Literary Society was held in the society rooms Monday evening with President Williams presiding. A short business session was held during which plans and particulars of the stag banquet were discussed. Reports of the various committees were heard and accepted. The society then gave its attention to the program of the evening.

Due to the fact that most of those who wished to attend the entertainment at the high school, the main portion of the program were postponed for one week. Impromptus on recent inventions were given by Boyd, Manwaring, Ainsworth, Otto, Calkins and Reinhold. The report of Mr. Vreeland, the society critic, was then given, after which the meeting adjourned.

### ORATORICAL COUNCIL

On November 15th a meeting of the Debate and Oratory Council was called by the student manager, Mr. Dasef. The business transacted was as follows:

Reading of the minutes of the last meeting.

Election of a council secretary Mabel Field.

Report of the M. O. L. Conference held at Albion, given by Mr. Dasef.

Report of steps taken to promote oratory and debate among the women's societies, given by Professor Hamilton.

Reading of a letter from Olivet in regard to the possibilities of a debate with Alma on the question of the closed shop.

The passing of the motions that: Each society representative suggest the advisability of triangular intersociety debates culminating in a debate between the winning men's and women's teams. That the date for Alma's oratorical contest be the 10th and 11th of January, and that the 2,000 word limit of the M. O. L. contest be observed in this contest. The adoption of the suggestion that all available debate and oratory material of previous years be filed and made accessible to this year's workers. Adjournment.

### ZETA SIGMA

Zeta Sigma Literary Society held its first meeting in the new society house Monday, Nov. 14th. President Crittenden presided over the meeting which was essentially one of business. Plans for the annual banquet and problems concerning the newly acquired home were discussed. Following the business session, a short literary program was enjoyed.

E. Swanson read an interesting paper on the history and development of football. The allusion to the early games of the Romans and Britons, from which football was derived, was especially interesting.

Lowell Hudson then talked upon the Zeta Sigma banquets—past and present.

Mr. Roth gave a well developed speech on the subject "Armistice Day." He spoke not only upon the significance of the day as it was related to the past, but also of its future effect if the conference at Washington was a success.

The meeting was then adjourned for the evening.

### Y. W. C. A. OBSERVES

#### WEEK OF PRAYER

One of the most enjoyable annual occurrences was recognized last week in the Y. W. C. A. world fellowship week of prayer. Each evening at 9:45 the soft melody of the old familiar hymns called the girls downstairs. There, in front of the fireplace in the soft candle glow, the meetings were held. The general theme was the sisterhood of the women of the world, and the thought and devotion was turned to the needs of these women. The week's calendar was as follows:

Sunday, Nov. 13—World's Y. W. C. A.—Mabel Field.

Monday, Nov. 14—Africa—Lucy Fellows.

Tuesday, Nov. 15—The Americas—Louise Osgood.

Wednesday, Nov. 16—Asia—Louise Hainline.

Thursday, Nov. 17—Australasia—Ruth Stewart.

Friday, Nov. 18—Europe—Emma Ritter.

Saturday, Nov. 19—Europe (continued)—Avis Lane.

The meetings were very successful and the very fact that Y. W. C. A. groups in forty different countries were holding the same series of meetings, promoted the feeling of fellowship.

### "AL" TELLS ANOTHER

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in dismay at his watch and found that it was 10:30. The soldiers noting his dejected look, laughed coarsely, and decided that here they would have real sport. They kidded "Al" mercilessly, as to what they would do with him, and glanced meaningfully at their rifles. Just as "Al" thought that he was at last in for it, one of the "Reds" ran excitedly to the other,

and began pulling him down the street. "Al" gathered from their conversation that they had just remembered of a meeting planned with Marie and Sofia, and that they would be late, if an immediate start were not made. The situation, now being cleared of all danger, "Al" laughed heartily as he watched the "Reds" reeling down the street, on the way to their lady-loves, and with one last amused glance, "Al" turned on his heel and walked quickly homewards.

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## Open Forum

### SCIENCE CLUB

Some time ago there appeared an editorial in the Almanian advocating the formation of several departmental clubs. It was pointed out that such clubs could be of great value to the students in that it would permit specialized work in the various courses offered in the college curriculum. This was indeed an excellent suggestion, but as yet no action has been taken. A few years ago there existed what was known as the "Science Club" which was highly successful until it had to be dropped in the press of wartime affairs. Now, however, there are more students enrolled in the Science and Mathematics departments and the need of an organization of this nature is felt to be a very definite one.

The scope of a general scientific club would necessarily be wide and would undoubtedly be of interest to a large portion of the students. But would a sufficient number of these students find it worth while to support such a club? That is the question that confronts those of us who would like to see such an organization on the campus. To me it seems that those of us who are going to take up a life work which necessitates the knowledge of science would find a science club of practical value, and it would unquestionably be of benefit to them.

Would it not be well to give this matter some serious consideration and to attempt either a reorganization of the old Science Club or the formation of a new one. Surely a successful club would have a definite part in the "bigger, better Alma."

John B. Wright.

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Frosh—"I bobbed my hair because it is so comfortable that way."  
Senior—"Well, you kids who bob your hair for comfort remind me of the woman who didn't wear her wedding ring because it was such a warm day."  
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Fairbanks—"Say, Beam, what was the denomination of that bill you loaned me?"  
Beam—"Catholic, I suppose. At any rate, it certainly keeps Lent."  
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Frosh—"Have you had much experience in a jazz orchestra?"  
Gustafson—"I was a physical wreck five years ago."  
Frosh—"Well?"  
Gustafson—"Just feel my muscles now."  
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Gladys—"Lowell, would you mind driving a little slower?"  
L. H.—"Not getting scared are you?"  
G. F.—"No, nothing like that, only I don't like to take an unfair advantage of my life insurance company."  
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OH!  
Last Sunday  
I took my girl for  
A ride  
In my new flivver.  
She said that  
She was cold  
So \* \* \* we stopped  
And \* \* \* \* \*  
Got a robe from the  
Carrier and  
I bundled her  
All up. ? ? ? ?  
This Sunday  
She  
Went riding  
With Jack \* \* \* !  
—Brown Jug.  
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Northcot—"Between the two of us what do you think of her?"  
"Doozenberry"—Not so bad. But alone—I'd love her.  
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R. Zinn—"Say old man, I'm stuck. Do you know anything about a flivver?"  
Passerby—"Sorry, Sir. Nothing but a couple of funny stories."  
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M. B.—"Gerald, were you ever pinched for going too fast?"  
G. B.—"No, but I've been slapped."  
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Uh-Huh  
Fi—"Yes, he had the audacity to try to kiss me."  
Moo—"Of course, you were indignant?"  
Fi—"Yes, every time."  
—Mugwump.  
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Foster M.—"Would it be improper for me to kiss your hand?"  
"Dot"—"It would be entirely out of place."  
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Lady (to guide in Yellowstone Park)—"Do these hot springs ever freeze over?"  
Guide—"Oh, yes! Once last winter a lady stepped thru the ice here and burned her foot."—Chaparral.

**PHI STAG HELD AT WRIGHT HALL**

(Continued from page one)  
incidents in the past and outlined the future that is in store for Phi Phi Alpha. His advice went home to every Phi heart and was greeted with unanimous accord. Prof. Guerra added, in his characteristic style, to the remarks of the preceding speaker, his remarks showing that his faith in his society and her future had not lessened.

The last number on the program was a talk by Rev. Lovell on the subject "The Call for Leadership." The speaker based his remarks on conditions here in the United States and the conditions that exist in China. His challenge was definite and pointed, and appealed greatly to those present. It was a great treat to hear Rev. Lovell and his remarks and presence were greatly appreciated. After singing the college song the brothers departed in high spirits and fraternal fellowship.

**Y. W. C. A. TEA**

A welcome tea in honor of Mrs. Roberts, our new Dean of Women, was given by the Y. W. C. A. in Wright hall Thursday afternoon from four until six. The glowing fire, the lighted candles and the flowers all contributed to the air of cheer and friendliness which pervaded the reception room. Miss Byrnes presided at the tea table. Not only the Wright Hall girls but also the girls from down town and the wives of the faculty were very glad to avail themselves of this opportunity to become personally acquainted with Mrs. Roberts.

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