## NEW ATHLETIC FIELD FOR CHRISTMAS



Huge Banquet Marks Close
Alma's Brilliant Football Alma's Brilliant Footba
Season.
On Friday evening, December 14
all of Alms College assembled a
Wrioht Hall to honor for the las Wright Hall to honor for the las
time her victorious gridiron squad o
192. The grand finale of the bril lient season was sounded with the
banuuet which brought alumi. local
cupporters and students to aupporters celebration. Her
a hat in capturing the M. I
fanner was the highlight
banner
 The dining hall was filled to capa-
city in accomodating te guests of
the evening. Beautiful table decora tions combined with ceiling stream-
ers on which were inscribed the
names of the letter men added lustre to the occasion. Maroon and Crean
programs announced the order of
menu very elaroorate and delightfua cuisine force occupied the attention
of fall for the first part of the even
ing. Between courses, Pres. Crooks arose to the occasion and introduced
number of the team's loyal sup.
porters and helpers from town the the
doctors. Dr. DuBois was the first in-
tied
 Andrews, were also introduced. Sev.
cral yevlls were promiscuously given
for with gridiron organization.
Before the tast course had been
cerved, Prof. Sharrar read commun ications from some of Alma's prom-
irent alumni who were forced to be present in spirit. Among them were
those from "Ep" Johnson, 1912 foot
ball
call captain, "Tooley" Johnson oo
Harbor Beach. Von Thurn and C Cook Prof. Sharrar in talking "From the
Athletic Association" and introduce
ing the toastmaster--Pres. Crooks rtarted the proamaster, Pres. "roors, proper. "Prexy"
very brielly spoke of the season,s
sucees, in complimenting the foot bal team and in well chosen word
praised the All-M. I. A. A. coach o past season, lampeded then reviewed the the
ing that it was the say ing that it was the best team which
he had ever coached in his wide ex
perience


## Prominent Alumnus

Speaks in Chapel
Hon. T. E. Johnson, a graduate of
Alma. college, and now Superinten-
dent of Public Instruction in this dent of Pubbici Instruction in this
state,
spoke at the chapel service state, spok
Wednesesday
Mr. Johnson pointed out the thre pursuits that men have always fol
lowed-that of the individual, tha of God, and that of beauty. The pur
suit of individual gain, if not ex suit of individual gain, if not ex
tended to selfishness, is a worthy goal. It incites men to do bette
work in order that they may gain the things they most need and want
Some men have this one pursuit The pursuit of God is surely wor the pursuit of the more noble than men have thought of nothing els and have found not only persona gain through it, but the satisfaction The pursuit others.
nd is instilled into aye-old, ew like beautiful things although one goal of their lives. This is orth-while pursuit.
that we see pur of Mr. Johnson, not one pursuit, but all of them.
we follow three pursuits ssured of ourse assured of happiness and success.

## Vachel Linsay, Poet, Gives Alma Treat N|NE AGITE G|FT GUEV TO ALMA

 some of his own poems last Wednes-day evening at the Presbyterian
church. Mr. Lindsay is a native of
Springfield, Illinois, and hat church. Mr. Lindsay is a native of
Springfield, Illinois, and has gained
fame not only in this country but
abroad for his work.
His first selection was his "Going
To The Sun," which was based on

The Bahlkes' Great Christmas Gift of Adjoining Property
Announced at Banquet.
Mr. and Mrs. William A. Bahlke
propose to give the college as a
Christmas gife a. new athletic field

## Agnouncement of this gift was the high spot of the football banquet

 last Friday night. President Crooks asked Coach Campbell to read whathe called a "beautifully worded" letter of congratulation. The announce-
ment was of this gift and was re-
ceived with the enthusiasm the mag. ceived with the enthusiasm the mag.
nificent benefaction deserved. The tract to be given, comprises
eight or nine acres and extends
north gymnasium. The north line is the same as the line of the fence at the north end of the tract of woods own-
ed by the college known as "the jungle," and runs from the jungle five
hundred and seventy-seven feet to hundred and seventy-seven feet to
the railroad. The south line runs
from Cedar avenue to Linden avefrom Cedar avenue to Linden ave-
nue, 667 feet. From south to north
the distance is 511 feet. The field was for many years used as a pas-
ture and was fully drained by a comture and was fully drained by a com
plete system of sewers several years
ago when the land was acquired by the present owners.
The heavy turf on the whole tract is underlaid by deep soil of the fertile sort commonly called muck,
which stratum is underlaid by soal of a sort most easily drained. Da-
vis Field as it now exists is vis Field as it now exists is one of
the hardest fields our football men
ever risk their ban ever risk their bones on. The new
field offers rare possibilities. Indeed Prexy assured the boys that to
fall on the new field will be a joy. Coach Campbell has already fig-
ures out that there is room for a
gridiron, two basketball fields, a gridiron, two basketball fields, a
hockey field and numerous courts. As yet no one has proposed a golf
course, but with Davis Feld and the course, but with Davis Feld and the
land west and north of the jungle to land west and north of prepared to
be considered we are prepare
have some golf bug rise to propose
such a course

## Two lots of this addition planned

 by Mr. and Mrs. Bahlke are ownedby others. Whether they will also knows, but the present space is am
ple for an athletic field, adequate for
an Alma College several times the size of our present institution.
The gift is a notable one. One of
the finest things about it is that the the finest things about it is that the
gift is entirely voluntary. It was
l:nown that the college coveted the field but that fact has receeved al-
most no discussion. Mr. Bahlke called President Crooks into his of

## Debaters Selected

 for Varsity Teams TheVarsity debate teams for 1924 were chosen last week. For the firsttime in several years the teams are ime in several years the teams are
composed entirely of men from the
upper classes, although both alterupper classes, although both alter-
nate places were taken by first year nate
men.
The affirmative team is composed
men. of Forrest Freeman, Lowell Hudson
Ronald Harris, and Everett Winslow as alternate. The negative team is
made up of Robert Wyatt, Hugh made up of Robert Wyatt, Hugh
Tarrant, Phil Lewis and Cecil Mac-
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$\qquad$ lege debating experience. Wyatt has
had three years experience, Freeman and Hudson have debated two years and Tarrant and Harris have each first year of college debating, but his record of last year as Alma's orator and his high school debating and oratorical experience are exp The question for debate is "Re solved, that Congress enact a law ance Bill, constitionality conceded.

MacDonald Succeeds
Wright, Grid Captain UHGERT TO START

##  <br> The King of 1923.



Next week Thursday the outfit will be pitted against the Danceland five, a new Detroit outfit, which has
such former university stars in the lineup as Ely, Cappon and Brooks of Michigan, Castle of Syracuse, and cthers. On Friday of next week the
Morley \& Maxwell team will be All indications are that the Almanites will have a team in the
$M i c h i g a n ~ I n t e r c o l l e g i a t e ~ r a c e ~ t h a t ~$ will make a hot fight for the that ciation honors this year and it will be deserving of all of the support
that it can get in its attempt to disontinued no page four)
College Journalists Hold Annual Session 6 Thursday and Friday, Decemention of the Michigan College Pleasant. The Almanian which has had not heretofore had membership in the association, was unanimously clected to join on the application of
its representatives. Nineteen editors and business managers were present representing nine of the colleges and The college publications which sent tal Normal Life were: The Cen Peiad, The Almanian, The Hillsdale Index, The Western Normal Herald, The Ypsilanti Normal College News, The Olivet Echo, and The Teacher's
College Times of the Detroit Teachrs' College.
This is the
of the association and the firs neeting held since the charter meet ing held at Ypsilanti last year. The solve the problems which the various association as stated in the constitu tion is to raise the standard of jour nalism among the college papers and
to purport aid in the solution of any particular problem.
Business meetings, general round
table discussions, addresses by table discussions, addresses by experienced journalists and banquets
serve to make up the program of the onferences.
ention is determined by each con order decided upon last year. Albion is scheduled to entertain the convention next year. Alma will have it
five years from this time. An office of faculty adviser was
instituted at the business meeting which is to be held for a period of four years. Professor H. O. White of Albion was chosen to serve in that
capacity. Western Normal Herald list, due to the fact that it was de-
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$\qquad$ same time is not a student publica-
tion being edited by a hired faculty The
ence was delivered in the Normal auditorium at their regular chapel ser-
vices by A. R. Treanor of the SagiShoemaker attended the convention.


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foot ball banquet (Continued from page one)
per cent efficient that he 100 per cent efficient that he had
seen. In conclusion the Coach intro seen. In conclusion the Coach intro-
duced each member of the squad, giving each his place and telling of ghis pasisilities pace featuring the the
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whom great credit must not be with-
whom great credit must not be with-
held.
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terest in the squad, their admiration terest in the squad, their admiration in their endeavors and of their sup-
port in the undertakings of the iort in the undertakings of the team.
She also brielly spoke of the part which the feminine element plays
the athletic life of the college.
"From the Faculty" as outlined by
Professor Ditto Professor Ditto, included the pecu-
iar relation which the iar relation which the faculty and it it team hold. No greater sup-
$\cdots$ is git er the squad, assured Prots. He spoke enthusiastically of the the Leams to come and congratulated the
nom on it success.
1910 aggregation then spoke of en ories of a championship team, nys at Alma. "Kef" also hu-
morously told of the trials which he
od oo undervo in © o oundergo in order to play on
"font ball, team.
"Grandpal Angell, captain and "Grandpa" Angell, captain and
center of the 1905 agaregation
lroupht to brought to mind the wild wooly
times of the old days. times of the old days. He character-
zed the old days with a hed the old days with a good de-
cripion of the he-man showers oid gymnasium which was then in
"From the Trustees" as told by
Professor Kendall Brooks of Mt. Pleasant, brought a message of con-
ratulations fron gratulations from the governing
body of the college to the team and brief assured the team of th
taunch support of the trustees
"Ror" Wright, captain, very brief-
Yy revived memories of the season's
highspots and expresedd the highspots and expressed the appre-
ciation of the squad in the Ciation of the squad in the support
given them throughout the season The climax of the evening arrived when the 1924 Captain was announccd. "Woif" MacDonald was then introduced as the captain-elect having
Leen unanimously elected Leen unanimously elected previous to
the banquet. $"$ Mac" addresesed the the banquet. "Mac" addressed the
banguet thanking the team for the annuet thanking the team for the
honor given him and assuring them of his whole-hearted effort with

promises of another banner for Al| promises of |
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| ma in 1924. |

In conclusion, Homer M. Dunham,
probably the teams greatest individ probably the teams greatest individ-
ual booster, speaking in behalf of the townspeople congratulated the team on its successful season and of their pride in the coach and the 1923 team. As a token of the business men's ap--
preciation, Mr. Dunham presented preciation,
the letter men with unique gold footballs which closed probably the greatest football gathering of its kind ever held in Alma.
cagers to start

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$\begin{gathered}\text { (Continued from page one) } \\ \text { Kalamazo } \\ \text { College as as }\end{gathered}$
as eader of the association in this The schedule will open immediatehe Ster the Hoiday vacation with legiate schedule bettin under ne following week. The card fol-

Jaunary 4-Saginaw Triangles at January $11-$ Flint Junior at AlJanuary 18 -Hillsdale at HillsJanury $19-\mathrm{Ypsilanti}$ at $\mathrm{Ypsilan-}$ January 25 -Albion at Alma. Pending) February 2-Hillsdale College at February 8-Flint Junior at Flint
February 9-Open. Probably Mt. P February $15-$ Kalamazoo College February 22 -Ypsilanti College February $23-O l i v e t ~ C o l l e g e ~ a t ~$ t Kalamazo March 1-Oivet College at Olivet. March 8-Albion College at AlMarch 14-Open. Final Hom

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