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BACK THE ANNUAL

Why is an annual? As a harmless thought-provoking subject, this one has failed materially to meet with any response among the members of the student body. Until the book appears in a material form, it is seen only as an eternal bother in the form of obnoxious staff members who inveigle you to get your picture taken, or come across with the rest of the payments on the book. The student body sits around and refuses to accept the responsibility of getting its share of the work out of the way and then kicks when pictures have to be left out because certain people couldn't break away from their routine.

But an annual is more than a mere collaboration of events to beguile the idle moments during the summer months. It is a record and should be complete, accurate, and interesting. The college annual should contain such material and should be written in such form that in years to come it should recall to mind vivid pictures of college days and should therefore be the tie that binds a man to his Alma Mater. As a matter of downright work, it surmounts any campus activity excepting the Almanian, but with all the nights and electricity that the college can spare, a creditable job can hardly be done without the assistance of the student body. Therefore, do your bit. If you are called upon to have your picture taken, get it done. Take pictures around the campus and turn them in. Be on hand when the picture of your team is going to be taken. All this will help in a great way to put out a book of which you can be justly proud. It is your book and not the annual staff's. At least, if you can not see it in any other way, you can approximate your money's worth by helping a bit. Try it for a change.
—K. D. F.

WHAT THE EDITOR MUST KNOW

(From the Idaho Argonaut)
A college editor should be a superman, endowed with the patience of Job, the editorial ability of Horace Greeley, the managing and directing ability of Charles Schwab, the diplomacy of Woodrow Wilson, and the judicial qualities of former Chief Justice Marshall he needs the keen humor of Lincoln, the dignity and philosophy of Socrates, the religion of John Wesley, and the agnostic tendencies of Ingersoll; he should have the literary ability of Shakespeare, and the lack of conscience to perpetrate the atrocities of Amy Lowell. In addition to these few qualifications he needs the physique of Jack Dempsey, the nerve of a holdup man, and Edison's ability to do without sleep. His brain should be so constituted that he could absorb the essentials of a twenty-credit course by means of the barest perusal of the subjects therein contained and pass the final exams with honor so that the faculty will respect him and allow him to remain in school. He should be absolutely foreign to the needs of rest, sleep, eating, recreation, the love of society, the inclination for glory in athletics, school activities, and in love. Having these few requirements, he should be able to qualify as a fairly competent editor, and there is a possibility that he would not be hauled on the faculty carpet more than once a week, and kicked by the student body in general more than once in a day.

ALPHA THETA

The meeting of the Alpha Theta Literary Society of January eighth was called to order by the new president. Roll call was answered with a current event. A letter from Marie Louise Boissot, former Alma student and faculty member was read and a gift from her was presented to the society. The report of the play committee was given and the date set for the latter part of February. Committees for advertising, properties and candy were appointed and the meeting was adjourned. Officers' treat followed and the sandwiches and cocoa were accorded a hearty welcome by all the members.

All the bathing suits must come from Missouri.

REAL COLLEGE STUDENTS
(New York Times)

The historian of social manners will probably record a decline within the last generation in the dominant tone of the student body of the American college. The bareness and austerity of academic existence as pictured by Donald G. Mitchell are now remote. Even Faculties have not been wholly immune to the infection of prosperity. The modest and almost self-depreciatory air which Bryce noted in his chapter on American universities has disappeared. Plethoric endowments and prodigious enrollments are vaunted. Even the less fortunate colleges in the race for money and men have their own pathetic sources of pride. A foreign scholar was recently congratulating the head of a small rural college upon the quiet charm of its detached location, only to be told that in proportion of campus area to the number of its students it stood first of all institutions in the United States.

The point of view of the student body has also changed. Even in the Western State universities a college course has come to be regarded largely as affording primarily an opportunity for an enjoyable and leisurely residence and for social advantages. College authorities are compelled to resort to strange sumptuary regulations. The old codes which forbade the keeping of a dog or gun in the student's room are replaced by prohibitions upon the student's bringing his own automobile within the classic shades. The lone commencement "prom" has been enlarged into a series of house parties and hops which the collegiate rulers have had to restrict and even police. The ocean of frivolity has gained advantage on the shore of the curriculum.

Perhaps a reaction long overdue may shortly manifest itself. To be most efficacious it ought to originate among the students themselves, and no one who knows the pervasive but latent idealism of our college boys can doubt that, once the movement started, it would spread rapidly. Why should not something like an Oxford movement sweep the present academic generation? It would certainly not run along theological lines, like its British precursor, but might be a return to standards of intellectual seriousness. It would make the pursuit of knowledge actually come first in the life of the student, and a man's rating in the esteem of his fellows would rest upon the persistency with which he fought toward that goal. It would automatically solve the problem of too many students going to college. It is possible that the academics Samurai might soon be able to dominate the college world, if they would but attempt it.

YPSI FIVE DOWNS
MAROON AND CREAM

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Ypsi (27) Alma (24)
Dillon R. F. Kirker
Osborne L. F. Carty
Williamson C. Johnston
Crane R. G. Shaver
Dickie L. G. Hickerson
Substitutions—Weltholder for Hickerson, Hickerson for Kirker, Kirker for Johnston, Wright for Kirker, Davidson for Dillon.

Field baskets—Osborne 6, Williamson 3, Dillon, Crane, Kirker 2, Johnston 2, Hickerson 2, Carty 2, Shaver, Weltholder.

Fouls—Dillon 5 out of 7, Osborne 0 out of 1, Kirker 3 out of 6, Carty 1 out of 2.

Referee—Roper, M. A. C.

ALMA WILL MEET
KAZOO AND ALBION

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that expects to battle to the limit in the effort to pull the fray out of the fire.

Saturday night Alma should take Albion into camp in a Michigan Intercollegiate contest. The Methodists are not exceptionally strong

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in the court game this year, having had only a short practice due to the lack of a place to practice pending the completion of the new high school gymnasium there, and also because the lack of a team last year has left the Methodists with few veterans. Coach Miller, however, has some very good material, and it is within the realms of possibilities that he will have a team that will force Alma to battle to the limit to win, and as a result it is not a safe proposition to overlook the possibility that there is for a defeat. Even apparent sure things frequently go wrong, and this might be one of the times.

BETA TAU EPSILON

A very lengthy business meeting occupied the most of time of the meeting. The program was made up of two orations—by Mr. Robbins and Mr. Patton. Mr. Robbins spoke on the Egyptian question, explaining in a very satisfactory way its origin, development and chances of a satisfactory conclusion. The meeting ended with the critics' report.

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 the Presbyterian Churches of the city. In 1864 he was instrumental in organizing and shaping the present "Y" on the Board of Directory of which he served for fifty years.
 In closing his eulogy Dr. Studer said that he thought the most fitting thing that he could say of him as a personal and intimate friend was that he had a wonderful capacity for friendship.
 Dr. W. K. Spencer spoke of his friendship with Rev. Barkley. Rev. Barkley, he said, was born on Nov. 22, 1846 in Statesville, North Carolina. He entered the confederate army in which he served until the close of the Civil war. "He served under four flags," he said, "The Stars and Bars, the Stars and Stripes, the banner of Presbyterianism and the Banner of his Lord and Master, Jesus Christ and he was faithful to them all."
 Rev. Barkley entered Princeton University from which he graduated and then the Seminary from which he also graduated. For two years he served as State Secretary of the Y. M. C. A. and in 1894 he was made Moderator of the Michigan Synod. He held many places of importance and was a much loved and capable executive until in August, 1922 death stopped his earthly labors.
 He never sought advancement but places of importance and trust were

urged upon him. He never strove to excel but excellence lived in and through him. During his long ministry he received seven hundred people into the Presbyterian Church.
 Dr. Lewis S. Brooke a former graduate of Alma as the last speaker read a beautiful eulogy of the life and work of the man and of his visions for Alma. As a skyscraper must find its foundations in the solid rock many feet below the earth surface; so had man to see the bed-rock on which an obscure college could rise to a structure of beauty and usefulness.
 In memory of Dr. Clizbe especially and as a wonderful conclusion to the service Professor Beausang sang Tennyson's "Crossing the Bar."

ALPHA THETA

The meeting of Alpha Theta of January 15, was called to order by the president, Fromilda Young. Roll call was answered by the statement of some European event. The program which followed was purely Alpha Theta. Juanita Eastman gave the impromptu "My First Impressions of Alpha Theta." Helen Brien then read a paper written by a former Alpha Theta girl on the beginning of Alpha Theta and some of its history. Mrs. Randels gave an informal talk on Alpha Theta of yesterday and told some of the activities of old Alpha Theta girls at present. The Alpha Theta song was sung and adjournment followed.

Books Added To College Library

New books added to the Alma College library in the past few weeks up to January 10, follows:
 Archbald, Hugh—The four hour day in coal., 1922.
 Bailey, M. E.—Value of good manners, 1922.
 Birchenough, C.—History of elementary education in England and Wales from 1800 to the present day., 1914.
 Brooks, S. S.—Improving schools by standardized tests., 1922.
 Burnett, F. H.—The white people., 1917.
 Cain, J. C.—The manufacture of dyes., 1922.
 Cubberly, E. P.—A brief history of education., 1922.
 Defoe, Daniel—Robinson Crusoe., 1920. Ref.
 Dennison Manufacturing Co.—How to make crepe paper flowers., 1922-23. Ref. How to make paper costumes., 1922-23. Ref. Weaving with paper rope., 1922-23. Ref. Sealing wax art., 1922-23. Ref. Tables and favors., 1922-23. Ref. Denison's gala book., 1922-23. Ref.
 Depew, C. M.—Addresses and literary contributions on the threshold of eighty-two.
 Dickens, Charles—Christmas carol., 1915. Ref.
 Ellis, M.—George Meredith., 1920.
 Ellsworth, W. W.—A golden age of authors, 1919.
 Fabre, Augustin—Life of Jean Henri Fabre., 1921.
 Ford, W. B.—A brief course in college algebra. 1922.
 Goldenweiser, A. A.—Early civilization: an introduction to anthropology., 1922.
 Grenfell, W. T.—Labrador days., 1919.
 Hammond, E. P.—Chaucer, a bibliographical manual., 1908. Ref.
 Hannay, F. D.—From Dublin to Chicago, some notes on a tour in America., 1914.
 Kitching, J. W.—Azruaal and Lamorna., 1922.
 Mackail, J. W.—Virgil and his meaning to the world of today., 1922.
 Mantle, Burns, ed.—Best plays of 1920-1921., 1922.
 Moses, Belle—Lewis Carroll in wonderland and at home, the story of his life. 1910.
 Mosher, M. D. comp.—More toasts, jokes, stories and quotations., 1922. Ref.
 National Education Assoc.—Addresses and proceedings of the 60th annual meeting., 1922. Ref.
 O'Brien, E. J. ed.—Best short stories of 1921., 1922.
 Reece, H. M.—Light., 1921.
 Reisner, E. H.—National and education since 1789., 1922.
 Russell Sage foundation library. Bulletin, no. 44, 45. American foundations (Bibliographies.) Ref.
 Sabatier, Paul—Catalysis in organic chemistry., 1922.
 Shaw, G. B.—Back to Methuselah. 1921.
 Smith, A. D. H.—The real Colonel House., 1918.
 Smith, C. A.—New words self-defined., 1920. Ref.
 Suhrie, A. L.—The inductive determination of educational method., 1915.
 Taylor, H. O.—Greek biology and medicine., 1922.
 Thomas, Augustur—The print of my remembrances., 1922.
 Ward, A. W.—Cambridge history of British foreign policy, 1783-1919., 1922.
 Whipple, S. M.—Problems in educational psychology.
 Wilson, H. B.—Training pupils to study., 1917.
 Zumbunnen, A. C.—The community church., 1922.

PHILOMATHEAN

After a short business meeting of Philomathean, the rest of the hour was devoted to the reading of the chapter "Little Gentleman" from Booth Tarkington's "Penrod," by Pauline Strick. This completes the semester's program on the short story.

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tion of Independence?"

Stuart—"Cause he couldn't afford
to hire a stenographer, I suppose."

Heard in the Dining-Room

Ann—"I want a spoon."
Sid—"All right, I'll see you later."

Miss Lanier—"Correct the sen-
tence, 'The liquor what the man
bought was soon drunk.'"

Smythe—"The man what bought
the liquor was soon drunk."

It Must Be So

When you tell a man something it
goes in one ear and out of the other.
When you tell a woman something
it goes in both ears and comes out
of her mouth.

Zada—"Have you heard about the
new elevator dance?"

Christine—"No."

Zada—"It's a cinch; no steps to
it."

She—"Lips that touch liquor shall
never touch mine."

They—"Your lips?"

She—"No, my liquor."

She—"Oh, Algy, you English are
so slow."

He—"Er-Er-I'm afraid I don't
grasp you."

She—"That's just it."

Boyd—"This cold weather chills
me to the bone."

Wilson—"You should wear a thick-
er hat."

NAUGHTY GIRLIE

Co-Ed: "Say I'd like to try that
suit on in the window."

Clerk: "Sorry, but you'll have to
use the dressing room."

Say it with flowers but don't throw
bouquets at yourself.

Angry Maiden—"I wouldn't marry
you if you were the last man in the
world."

He—"Of course you wouldn't;
you'd get killed in the rush."

When Adam in bliss asked Eve for
a kiss,
She puckered her lips with a coo.
Gave looks so ecstatic, answered
emphatic,
I don't care A-dam if I do.

Prof—"Is it right to say that cam-
els go in herds or droves?"

Shadow—"Why I always thought
they came in packs."

Waggoner—"How far is it from
one ear to the other?"

Wilson—"About six inches."

Waggoner—"Wrong. Its just one
block."

Shiek—"That guy over there can't
hear it thunder."

Dutch—"Poor fellow, wasa matter
with him, deaf?"

Shiek—"Naw, it isn't thundering."

"Shay offisher, where's the cor-
ner?"

"You're standing on it."
"Sno wonder I couldn't find it."

Prof Sharrar—"Did the ancient
people have any stoves?"

Stuart—"Sure, they had the moun-
tain ranges."

Carty—"Say Cuddy, what was the
denomination of that bill you loaned
me?"

Shaver—"I dunno, Episcopalian, I
guess, anyway it keeps Lent very
well."

Des Jardins—"I've got a sliver in
my finger."

Dib—"So you've been scratching
your head again I see."



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