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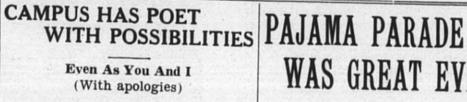
## SENIORS ENJOY **ANNUAL SKIP-DAY**

### Entire Class Revels At Bass Lake Wednesday Of Last Week

"hookey," the Seniors of the campus forgot their scholastic pursuits last Wednesday and betook themselves to Bass Lake where they celebrated their But they right soon did stack his traditional "skip day." It was a won-derful day—one of the finest Indian summer days that could have been ordered-and the truants made the most of it by swimming, playing ball, dancing (also square dancing) and gorging themselves with the usual picnic menu.

The time for departure had been arranged for seven o'clock Wednesday morning, but, with the exception of a few early birds, the majority of the picnickers were still in the land of Morpheus when the scheduled hour arrived. However they managed to arrive on the scene about a half hour later and after the usual preliminaries of getting a few forgotten necessities, such as the coffee pot and the silver ware, the belated enthusiasts started out, eager but hungry. Harold Hobart nearly missed transportation when he went into Wright Hall to procure some cooking 'utensils; but the Sawkins Emergency Car picked him up and he arrived at the pavilion with the rest-a little wind-blown but nevertheless extremely happy.

John Delevan soon had a roaring fire going and the aroma of "The Great American Breakfast" notified the empty crew that they could "come and get it." Scrambled eggs, browned bacon, oranges and coffee (with doughnuts) satiated the hunger pangs and soon the classmates, under the



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#### A Frosh there was, he opened with care, The door to his room-to let it air; Of course he knew that his classmates

were there, Feeling the school-boy urge to play But he thought they were on the square,

Even as you and I.

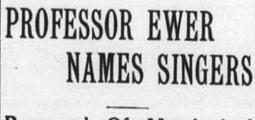
- room.
- In a manner hard to declare: They overturned chairs and piled up
- his books. They tore his clothing off of the
- hooks: They dirtied his collars and ruined his socks,
- And tied his pajamas in numberless knots-

All so underhand-

And where his neat, clean room did g0.

This trusting Freshie never will know, And never will understand. Even as you and I.

P. K. H. '31



### Personnel Of Mens' And Girls' Glee Clubs Announced By Music Director

With the announcement of the personnel of both the Mens' and Womens' Glee Clubs by Professor J. W. Ewer, another year of musical activity began on the Alma Campus. Alma has been known throughout the entire state for the excellent glee clubs it has produced and once again this year the spectacle and the onlookers were of outlook is very promising. Although the opinion that it was one of the the Mens' organization was left with longest and most "colorful" night shirt only a few experienced singers, the Freshman Class has filled its depleted campus. Stan Vliet momentarily ranks with some talented young vocal- checked the onrush by passing out ists. The Girls' Club has a number of chances on some of the quality goods last years' musicians back again but of the College Supply store. Then the vacancies that did occur have also Mrs. Fulcher, assisted by the barber, been filled with some fine singers. The patrons of these two well-known and holder could come in and enjoy some well-liked ensembles may well look real home-cooking. The costumed forward to a number of fine concerts band circled on the corner and again this year. The personnel of the gave cheer after cheer for "Ma" and College Quartet and Sextet has not been announced as yet but these singers will be chosen within a few days. Last year the Girls' Club traveled over to the keeping of "the guardians through the southern part of the of the public peace"-Mike and Jim. state spending nearly a week in Detroit, while the Mens' Ensemble journeyed through the southeastern part of the State including in their intinerary such towns as Battle Creek, Niles, Fordson, Cassopolis and Alle-

# WAS GREAT EVENT

### "Night Shirt" Procession Of Thursday Night Was "Bigger And Better"

through the main street of the city during the present school year. last Thursday evening to the amusement of a large gathering of both one good old-fashioned night shirt).

lieving the youngsters of their pots. Helen Carrow. Just before the parade was to organize the upperclassmen made the yearlings "run the gauntlet" while the older boys bestowed an occasional buffet upon their rear extremities. It was all in good fun and the Frosh rather enjoyed it-especially Ramaker and McCullough. It was interesting to note that the Sophomores, who but a year ago went through the same ordeal, were most eager to pounce upon the unsuspecting greenies -time heals all wounds! Before leaving the gym the "night shirters" sat for their likeness which was snapped by the junior member of the Boice studio firm.

With the Seniors leading the way followed by the Juniors, Sophs and Frosh the whole parade swept down Superior Street, zig-zaging across the pavement and shouting the good old locomotive-A-L-M-A Alma. The entire male student body dressed in "robes of night" presented quite a processions that ever came off the gave the boys tickets so that the lucky 'Stan''. Murphy's Drug Store then assed out the cigars but as the Frosh could not indulge they handed theirs Hamilton's passed out chances on some excellent apparel of "The Style Center for Men" and then Pat's, Luto the hungry crew. The parade circled around in the center of the main ported into the modern west.

The Alpha Theta Literary Society held its Open Meeting on Monday evening, October 1, 1928. The meeting was called to order by the president, Elizabeth Sidebotham. Roll call was then answered to by each member responding with a current event pertaining to Russia. The guests had One of the largest and best spirited previously been informed that the Pajama Parades in years shouted Society would follow various phases and snake-danced its way down of Russian life in its course of study

ALPHA THETA HOLDS

The program opened with a piano forte solo, rendered by Margaret Reytownfolk and students. Every fellow nolds, continuing with a paper given had on his pajamas and the Frosh had by Gertrude Walker presenting a surnothing on but pajamas. (There was vey of the Literature of Russia. Lewise Salmon and Francis Colwell The participants gathered in the gave us "A Bit of Old Russia" and Gymnasium shortly after seven o'clock Miss Salmon executed a Russian and there a warm greeting awaited Gipsy dance. The program came to the Frosh, for the time until eight an end with a play "The Twelve Pound o'clock was spent in playing the fra- Fork" featuring Kathleen Ellison, ternal game of "hot hand" and re- Frances Colwell, Betty Glass and

> An invitation was then given to the guests to remain for a cup of tea, a wafer and a friendly chat.



### Japanese Party Of Saturday **Evening Pleased The First** Year Girls

Saturday evening a bit of the Orient was transplanted to the reception room of Wright Hall, when the Philomatheans gave the new girls their annual Japanese Fete.

Hugh branches of leaves made bold splashes of orange, red and bright

### OPEN MEETING ALMA GRIDDERS TO MEET OLIVET

### M. I. A. A. Campaign Opens For Alma With Crimson Saturday

Next Saturday the Campbell men ourney to Olivet to play their first Association game. After their setback from Ferris two weeks ago the Almaites are out to prove that they have a real football team and must be considered in the M. I. A. A. championship race for 1928. Although the Crimson warriors from down state have not won any games thus far, they held the Hope gridders to a scoreless tie, showing that they will not be a set-up for any one of the conference teams. The only other association contest also resulted in no score when Hillsdale met Hope at Hillsdale last Saturday. Hillsdale was supposed to have a formidable machine this year with the wealth of reserve material from their Frosh team to step into Varsity berths. This means, then, that Hope must have a strong defensive team to hold the improved "Dales" to no count; and that

Olivet, Alma's next opponent, has considerable defensive power when they could keep the Hollanders from crossing their goal line. The Alma men will journey to Olivet knowing that they must win their initial game if they are to set a new M. I. A. A. record of three consecutive championships.

The past week was a week of upsets in the Gridiron world; Michigan lost its first game to Ohio Wesleyan, Wisconsin drubbed the Notre Dame Irishmen, and Albion humbled the powerful State aggregation which routed Kazoo the week before 103 to 0. Albions' unexpected victory over the Kipke men means that Albion, probably, is the outstanding contender for M. I. A. A. honors. Michigan State, boasting one of the strongest outfits it has had in years, was considered an easy winner, but the unusual happened, as it often does in football, and Daughertys' scrappers smeared a pass to win on a safety, 2-0. However, the game proved that Albion is just one more M. I. A. A. team that has a great defense, for State gained 270 yards to the Methodists' 50, yet when the latter's goal was threatened they were an impregnable wall of defense. Alma, again this year, from tackle to tackle, probably has the best line in the association-it was the big factor in the success of last year. However, the problem facing Coach Campbell of developing two ends has been no easy one, although the new flankers showed up well in the Ferris game. The backfield is light and will have to rely on speed to pull it through a successful season; although Erickson, the big, fast 185 pound fullback can be relied upon to be a consistent ground gainer through any of the conference lines. Nevertheless, as the "old lady said of the brandied peaches," "it's the spirit that counts." So, with the old Alma spirit coupled with a fighting team which will give trouble to any of the M. I. A. A. aggregations, the Alma Gridders ought to go through to their third straight championship and another association record.

dual capacity of Mesdames Roberts and Hopkins, had chosen sides and were in the midst of the good old game of baseball. The game ended a tie (that is what the losers claimed at least) and jeweler Losey broke up the "ole ball game" with some class ring samples he wished the class to behold so that they might "take advantage of the wonderful bargains offered." There were some nice rings on display and the class ordered some made up for future reference-Jake decided that "he guessed he wouldn't get one"at least not right then.

The boisterous crew had hoped to Shanghai Professor Journey into the voyage, but for some unknown reason the teacher failed to appear and so the burden of responsibility fell upon the willing and capable shoulders of Miss Biondi. The class was agreed that she certainly makes an excellent chaperone-and they meant it.

The temperature began to rise and so some of the bolder members of the crew decided to take to the water. Only a polar bear could have enjoyed the frigid waters of Bass Lake that morning, although Laura Hurst floundered around for about fifteen minutes Jake "yumped in but he soon yumped out." Laugh! we thought we'd die. Then the Chef rang the dinner bell (with a frying pan) and once more the revelers stuffed their insides with food; weenies and rolls, olives, beans, pickles and bananas. The Student Marshall washed the disheshonest.

Those of the diners who were able to gracefully navigate after acting like pigs, went into the pavilion to dance-the others "slept it off." Here Laura's portable Vic came into good usage and the dancers spent an enjoyable hour gliding over the smooth hardwood floors. Some one suggested that every body line up for a quadrille and so they "filled up the floor." Then, although the participants were novices, they had a great time answering the calls to "dolce-do," "all the men right," "in and out," etc. Our "salugribous" baritone "the ladies Mann" then rendered a heart rendering rendition entitled "The Men of Notre Dame" and eagerly followed this with "The Famous Dope Song." (Hearty applause, but it broke up the party.)

After packing up the remnants of the eventful day the happy vacationists motored back to the city where they resumed the arduous tasks everlastingly incumbent upon the Seniors of Alma College.

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"GORDY" LAMB Half-back from 1927 Champs **Ought To Be Consistent** Ground Gainer.

block and, after garnering theatre tickets from the Idlehour and candy from the Spotlight, the paraders gave a vocal vote of thanks to the donors of the several contributions. The entire main thoroughfare was roped off and so traffic was no menace to the throngs of people which surged back and forth across the street.

The old city band stand had been hauled from its hiding place and served as a platform upon which the Frosh demonstrated both their musical and jigging abilities. Ramaker, sheltered from the elements and the public gaze by a thin cotton nightgown, furnished amusement for the spectators by giving a Charleston exhibition. Bennie McCullough, one "of the home town boys" gave a spirited oration on the subject "How I like those Vigilance Committee parties." (He ought to be an authority on this subject if actual contact means anything). Lyman and Frost, aspiring young glee clubbers, sang the Bum Song and the consensus of upper class opinion is that it was a bum song. Continuing on down the street the parade arrived at the Barbecue Cafe, where Vern passed out checks which upon presentation by the holders entitles them to a barbecue sandwich. Fortino's and the Strand Sweet Shop generously handed out their compliments to the boys and after a round of applause for these last philanthropists, the "bed-time boys" assembled in the Strand Theatre where Mr. Miller allowed them to use the stage for the amusement of themselves and the entertainment of the theatre-goers.

The program was short and anything but sweet. A scheduled ten (Continued on Page 4)

crimson on the trellises. Mammoth Buddas breathed forth their sweet smelling incense and comfy pillows were scattered about. Above the center window seat and banked with autumnal branches was the Philo banner, while on the opposite side, above the door, was the Phi Phi Alpha banner. Shadows flickered through the leaves from the tapering candles.

At the time appointed, a whole jumble of Japs assembled in the Oriental garden. Pom's popular players furnished high spirited music for the Jap revelers until late, but even then some cried "More!"

The first number listed on the fan program was the Grande Marche, which was followed by the "Chrysanthemum Waltz," "Joy was confined"; serpentine and confetti increased the merry making until the "Dreamland chini's and Rod served refreshments Waltz" whispered to all that they must leave the Orient and be trans-

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"WALLY" PEZET **Playing End This** Year And Shows **Great** Promise

Saturday Scores Albion 2, Michigan State College 0 (Non-association game). Ypsi 33, Olivet 0 (Non-association game). Hillsdale 0, Hope 0. **Games October 13** 

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Alma college vs. Olivet at Olivet. Hillsdale vs. Kalamazoo at Kalamazoo. Detroit Technical at Albion. Hope-open.

The members of Kappa Iota Literary society were entertained at dinner last Saturday at the Gratiot Inn on the Saginaw Road. The remainder of the afternoon was spent in Saginaw after which they returned to Alma that evening. The patronesses were Mesdames Lobdell, Campbell and Ewer.

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Why The Gossip?

What happened to the Freshmen many weird and wild stories circulatlet their imaginations work overtime. tering. The Frosh admitted their guilt before the Vigilance Committee and were all agreed they should take their punishment-come what may! What came seems to be unknown to everyone but izer-a great international figure. the Frosh-and they have told the Smith has come up "from the ranks" authorities that they believe they were through the school of experience-"treated fair and square."

carpet beaters," "pounded with clubs" holds through the school of experience

Why Not Vote!

Every student should take advanwho broke the rules of the Student tage of his voting franchise and vote Council? That has been the topic of at the general election November 4th. conversation on the campus and down If you have not registered, do so at town for the past week. There were once. You can vote here in Alma under the absentee voter law if you ed, not by the Frosh who were pun- will but go to the City Clerks' Office men. The former received a lovely ished, but by a number of people who and find out the procedure of regis-

Both candidates for the Presidency are unusual men. Smith is a great business manager-a great political manager. Hoover is a great organ-Hoover also started at the foot of the No, they were not "beaten with ladder but came to the place he now

or "strapped with belt buckles"-they plus the finest of scholastic educations. were spanked with the bare palms of Smith is professedly wet, but reprefive upperclassmen's hands; and each senting the great Democratic party on Frosh received just one slap from a dry platform. Hoover is dry-and each man (except one of the year- backed by the Republican Party in lings who admitted that he was a this stand. Smith intends, as he says, little too fresh and received ten slaps). to help the unemployment situation A few drops of ill smelling liquid and at the same time let down the imwere springled on their heads, but migrations bars (it sounds like a parait washed right out and the drug- dox). Hoover, probably the greatest gist, from whom it was purchased, authority in the United States on the off easily and did no harm to them Hall and "is proud of its' long and Freshmen who went on the party ity and is not so proud of Tammany's

Box (no. 25) in the Administration

Building, they will be printed in this

publication; providing of course that

they are not in conflict with the best

interests of the college as a whole or

that would not be "fit to print." The

paper would be a lot more interesting

if it contained a "Contributors Col-

That Jungle Spread!

So read the sign on the bulletin board

Thursday morning, October 4. Was

sit on, glorious trees and sky to look

what to eat ?--- baked ham, scollaped

potatoes, rolls, celery, coffee, bananas

and cookies, and the scene was topped

off with laughter and goodfellowship.

Shall we do it again? Yes! please.

Now! "Down on your heels, up on your

toes" and three cheers for Y. W.

umn" and an "Open Forum."

THE ALMANIAN **BIRTHDAY PARTY** SURPRISED GIRLS

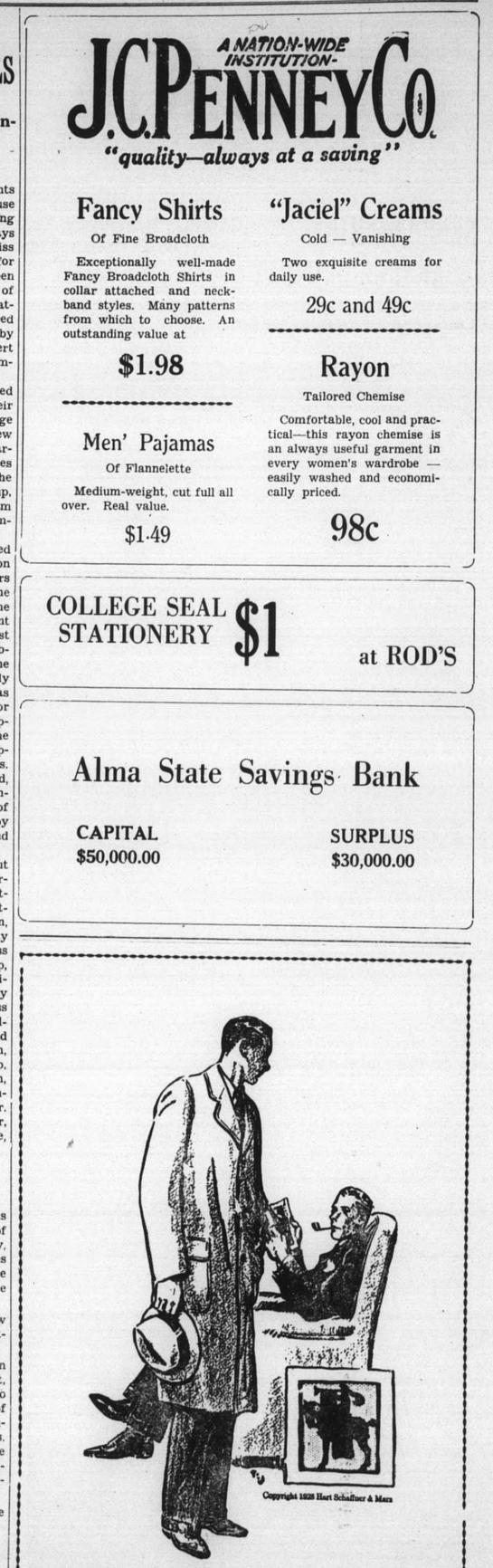
### Miss Ellison And Miss Johnson Unknowingly Entertained At Park House

It was a merry group of students which assembled at the Park House in St. Louis last Wednesday evening to celebrate the twenty-first birthdays of Miss Mary Johnson and Miss Kathleen Ellison. Places were set for twenty-eight, there being thirteeen college couples and the guests of honor, Dr. and Mrs. Kaufman, in attendance. The surprise party tendered the young ladies was sponsored by their respective admirers, Mr. Robert Buchanan and Mr. Ellsworth Simmons.

At seven o'clock the guests filed into the dining room and took their places while the candles on the large birthday cake were lighted. A few minutes later the surprised girls arrived from Alma and took their places of honor at the head of the table. The dinner was excellent-Bouillon soup, large steaks, fruit salad, ice cream and cake making up the very complete menu.

After the dinner the party returned to Alma where Mrs. Lloyd Ellison and Mrs. D. L. Johnson, the mothers of the young ladies, entertained the group at the Johnson home, where the remainder of the evening was spent playing bridge. Miss Laura Hurst had high score among the young women and Mr. Simmons won over the wall tapestry while the latter was given a bronze set of book ends for his prowess. Miss Anne Marie Campbell won the consolation prize for the women while Mr. Harold Logan captured the booby prize in his class. After the bridge playing was finished, the guests were served with refreshments and, after a short interval of chatting, wished their final "happy birthdays" on the young ladies and the party was over.

It was a lovely affair and is without doubt one of the nicest private parties which college students have attended in some time. Those in attendance were: Miss Mary Johnson, Miss Kathleen Ellison, Miss Betty Glass, Miss Barbara Glass, Miss Laura Hurst, Miss Barbara Witkop, Miss Anne Marie Campbell, Miss Elizabeth Sidebotham, Miss Peggy Reynolds, Miss Lewise Salmon, Miss Gertrude Williams, Miss Frances Colwell, Miss Hilda Cashmore, Dr. and Mrs. Kauffman, Mr. Harold Logan, Mr. Walter Pezet, Mr. Edgar Karpp. Mr. Gordon Lamb, Mr. Charles Mann, Mr. Paul Westfal, Mr. Robert Buchanan, Mr. Ellsworth Simmons, Mr. Dale Dickinson, Mr. George Kaiser, Mr. Homer Barlow, Mr. Kenneth Hyde, Mr. Horace Burton.



states that it was a clean and present economic situation, promises. harmless fluid. A little green paint to do all within his power to help the was applied to the upper part of their laborer and better the farm situation. bodies but the boys said that it came Smith is the product of Tammany at all. They did not even receive a colorful history." Hoover is the progood old puritanical ducking! The duct of the small American communknow they were punished but they record with its notorious Tweed Ring. will tell anyone that nothing was done Smith or Hoover on November fourth! to them that caused any permanent or temporary injury to their physical selves. One Frosh said, "It did us a lot of good!"

Speeding

Every day the lives of the students and faculty of the college are endangered by the reckless driving of M-46. These drivers tear down West in this weeks' edition that there is an Superior Street forty and fifty miles excellent poetical contribution from an hour, and they are a menace to the one of the "campus esthetics"-there students who have to cross the street should be more contributions of this to Wright Hall and to the faculty who nature. If you will place the articles, have their homes on Center Street. you wish published, in the Almanian This practice of speeding should be stopped before a serious accident results-and it is up to the college to take some action in the matter. The police authorities should be reminded of this condition and enforce the speed do not contain any subject matter law before it is too late.

**COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS** 

The regular meeting of the Student Council was called to order by the president on Tuesday evening, October 2nd.

Two bills were brought to the attention of the Student Council: one from the college supply store amounting to \$2.76; the other from the Record office for \$0.20. It was moved by it fun? A bon-fire, a grassy bank to Foss. Mr. Mann and seconded by Mr. Arozian that these bills be paid. It was carried.

The question of the Student Council taking over the duties of the Interfraternity Council again came before the house. It was announced that Phi Phi Alpha refused to recognize the Student Council in setting the dates for the smokers. Mr. Arozian moved that the Student Council through the president, set the dates for the smok- class. It was supported by Mr. Kaiers that the fraternities draw for these, and should they refuse, action motion was withdrawn and a new mowill be taken by the Student Council. tion was made by Mr. Arozian to the It was seconded and carried.

ed by Frost that the Student Council onded by Mann and the motion cargive authority to the vigilance com- ried. mittee for the trial of freshmen. The motion was carried.

standing and ranking of members of attended to. the Student Council followed. Mr. Mann moved that a leeway of four hours be given to any member of a

#### LIBRARY NOTES

### **Contributors Wanted!**

Newcomers and former students The Almanian should constitute an Open Forum for the discussion of may be glad to look over the lists of books recently added to the library. campus questions. It should also be a clearing house for the literary efforts and of outstanding magazine articles of some of the aspiring authors and for the current month. These are poets of the college. You will notice posted opposite the south end of the library charging desk. Many of the more "popular" new books will be found on top of the catalog cases in the reading room.

The Bonbright Fund has been given by Mr. Carl W. Bonbright of Flint, the quarterly income of which is to be spent, as received, for books of general cultural interest to the students, aside from class assignments. This was a princely gift, and will be appreciated by those who avail themselves of the pleasure thus made possible.

Among these books are such as the following:-

"We," by Lindbergh. "Skyward," By Byrd.

"Our Polar Flight," by Amundsen "Girls! Dinner in the Jungle on and Elessworth. Thursday night-sponsored by Y. W."

"Andrew Jackson," By Johnson. "The Heritage of Music," ed. by

"Pilgrimage to Palestine," by Fosupon, sweet clear air to breathe and dick.

> "The Glorious Adventure," by Halliburton.

> "Old Masters and Modern Art," by Holmes.

"The Pageant of Civilization,"-as told by postage stamps-by Warren. "The Old Drama and the New," by

Any of these may be borrowed and kept two weeks.

"Transition" by Will Durant is one of the best biographies for the American student to read that has been published in some time. It relates the spiritual and mental transitions of an American school boy; and the material is interesting and very representahis atheistic doubtings, his socialistic tendencies and his final reconciliation with the "way of the world." It is a

### AT THE Leading Universities Stone Grey

Grenadier Blue Chippendale Brown Are THE Colors in Top Coats This Fall We have them all at **TWENTY-TWO FIFTY to** 

THIRTY-SEVEN FIFTY HAMILTON'S

G. W. Archer. ser. After a discussion, however, the

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A report was made by Mr. Kaiser on the plans for the pajama parade. tive. Durant has traced the transi-A discussion concerning the class Everything had been most efficiently tional periods of his own life-shown

Adjournment. Resepctively submitted.

Lewise Salmon, Secretary. great book.

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