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J-HOP WILL BE BIG EVENT OF THIS WEEK-END

SENIORS CLEAN UP CLASS TRACK MEET

The Seniors carried off the honors in the first track meet of the year by piling up 50½ points in the annual inter-class meet. The mighty Junior's took a second with 37, and the Frosh third with 23½. The Sophs took last with a grand total of 4 points.

Harry Wehrly again was high scorer for the meet with 27 points. He took first place in the pole vault with a leap of 10 feet, and both hurdles. Second places were gotten in the century dash, broad jump, shot put, and discus. Borton took four first places in the only events he entered, namely: shot put, discus, high jump, and javelin.

Muscott ran the 100yd. dash in 10.4 seconds to get a first for the Juniors. This time is good for the local track and Larry should clip a couple more tenths off as the season goes on. He also won the 220 yd. dash in the time of 24.1 seconds, another good run. In the pole vault he received second place after vaulting 9 feet, six inches. Larry dropped out and Wehrly was given first after his next jump. Muscott broke a tie with Steve Crowell in the broad jump to give him a third place and end up with 14 points for the Juniors. Clack, the best the Frosh entrants took a first in the broad jump with a spring of 19 feet, five inches to nose out Wehrly. He also placed second in the 100 yd. and 120 yd. low hurdles.

There were only two entrants in the mile run and 120 high hurdles, which made it easy for the winners. Bob Randels won the mile very easily in 5:26 and Mike D'Angelo trailed him by thirty yards. In the high hurdles, Harry took his time in winning the race from Bob Lehner, the Frosh entry, with time of 17.6.

The events with complete places: Mile Run. Won by Randels (Senior), second, D'Angelo (Junior). Time 5:26 min.

100 yd. Dash. Won by Muscott (Junior); second, Wehrly (Senior); third, Clack (Frosh). Time 10.4 sec.

440 yd. Run. Won by Jack Williams (Senior); second, Kendall (Frosh); third, Tuma (Frosh). Time 57 sec.

120 high hurdles. Won by Wehrly (Senior); second, Lehner (Frosh). Time 17.6 sec.

120 low hurdles. Won by Wehrly (Senior); second, Clack (Frosh); third, Lehner (Frosh). Time 14 sec.

220 yd. Dash. Won by Muscott (Junior); second, Clack (Frosh); third, Oakley (Soph.). Time 24.1 sec.

880 yd. Run. Won by Crowell (Senior); second, J. Williams (Senior); third, Boutin (Senior). Time 2:13 mins.

Pole Vault. Won by Wehrly (Senior); second, Muscott (Junior); third, tie between Potter (Senior) and Leahy (Frosh). Height 10 feet.

High Jump. Won by Borton (Junior); second, Leahy (Frosh); third, Wilkas (Soph.). Height 5 feet 8 inches.

Broad Jump. Won by Clack (Frosh); second, Wehrly (Senior); third, Muscott (Junior). Distance 19 feet 5 inches.

Shot Put. Won by Borton (Junior); second, Wehrly (Senior); third, Grey Senior). Distance 39 ft. 10½ in.

Discus. Won by Borton (Junior); second, Wehrly (Senior); third, Wilkas (Soph.). Distance 130 feet one inch. This breaks the old all-College record.

Javelin. Won by Borton (Junior); second, McCurdy (Senior); third, Wilkas (Soph.). Distance 137 feet 10 inches.

ABSENCE

By Mei Sheng (2nd. Century) Hibiscus red and grasses gay, And fragrant flowers of every hue, I pluck as through the fields I stray, Without a thought except of you. With straining eyes I strive to pierce The miles of space to where thou art; And try to calm resentment fierce At Fate that keeps us thus apart.

NEW RECORD

In the inter-class track meet Saturday Norman Borton set a new record in the discus with a heave of 130 feet, 1 inch. This is ten feet farther than the throw that took first place in the M. I. A. A. meet last year. This is the first time Bull has hit 130 feet since he was in high school. Harry Wehrly held the old inter-class meet record of 114 feet.

ALICE BIONDI STARS IN FINE WILDE PLAY

Friday night's performance of "Lady Windermere's Fan" was quite distinctly not up to the usual Drama Club standard. The play, though of the problem type, is well seasoned throughout with wit but due to a stiffness on the part of the cast the audience didn't thoroughly warm up to the humorous speeches until the third act got under way. The play is a difficult one to put across well to an audience especially because of many long speeches which tend to send the listener's thoughts wool-gathering but considering past performances this was not too heavy for the Drama Club cast. All in all the play was rather disappointing to most of the audience.

We come now to the hard part of a review for a dramatic critic. Of the major performers Alice Biondi carried off the acting laurels with her portrayal of the character of Mrs. Erylne. She was quite at home on the stage and threw herself entirely into her part so that it seemed she was not acting but living her lines. Mary Elizabeth Soper, playing the difficult role of Lady Windermere, gave a very good presentation of her character (her first major part in a drama club production) and of the woman characters her performance was topped only by Miss Biondi's. Harold Mateson, as Lord Darlington, performed well but this was his first role in a major production. Eugene Tarrant, Lord Windermere, fell far below his performance in the homecoming play of last fall.

Of the minor characters, Mabel Kennett, Howard Hirschberg, George Roberts, and Ellen Wilson ably furnished the essential light touches. The remainder of the cast turned in very capable performances. The between-the-acts music was

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BACKGROUND DONE LIGHTS NEARLY SET

It still looks like the best J-Hop in Alma history. Work on the decorations is proceeding rapidly, and the plans for unique lighting effects are working out beautifully. There will be a big crystal ball in the centre, from which hundreds of tiny mirrors will reflect the light of several spots of different colors, with the color scheme completely changed at least four times during the evening. All this against a black ceiling and walls covered with silver stars.

And don't forget that Duane Yates and his ten-piece recording orchestra, the most popular band among the colleges in Michigan and several other states, is presenting three hours of hot music and clever novelty acts.

Request for tickets have been received from a large number of alumni, so if you want to get your favor on time be sure and get your ticket early. Only one hundred favors have been ordered, and the rest will have to wait till afterwards.

SPENCER BIBLE ESSAY SUBJECT IS GIVEN OUT

Professor Brokenshire announced Monday the subject and final date for Spencer Prize Bible Essay. This year the subject is "Agencies and Achievements of Christian Missions as an Educational Force of the Foreign Field". All the essays must be in the office of President Crooks before noon Saturday, May 28th. The prize is twenty-five dollars and will be awarded at the Commencement exercises.

The rules governing the essay are as follows:

1. The essay shall contain not more than 2500 nor more than 3500 words. It shall be typewritten on one leaf of sheet about eight by eleven inches square, with broad margins, and binding. The pages must be numbered properly. The sheets must be fastened securely but not rolled or folded.

2. The essay must be signed by a fictitious name, and accompanied by an envelope similarly marked.

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Seven Alma Students Attend Michigan Model Assembly

Another Senior Placed Harry Wehrly, star athlete and musician of the senior class, has received a teaching position for next year at Clare, Michigan. He will teach English, History and Band.

FACULTY DOINGS

President Crooks left Tuesday for a Wednesday meeting of the Board of Presbyterian Theological Seminary, Chicago.

SIX-DAY CLASS WEEK VOTE TAKEN

Tuesday morning after Chapel, President Crooks conducted a ballot of the three upper-classes on the worth of Saturday classes. The two main questions were "Do you think Saturday classes should be continued?" and "Do you think there is more studying being done now than under the five day system?" Here are the results of the poll:

Saturday Classes		
Year	Continue	Abolish
Seniors	18	29
Juniors	8	29
Sophomores	18	34
Total	44	92
Percentage for continuance 32.8%		
Studying		
Year	More	No More
Seniors	14	33
Juniors	9	27
Sophomores	13	39
Totals	36	39

Percentage thinking no greater amount of studying, 26.6%.

President Crooks expressed satisfaction at the results of the questionnaire. There has been much discussion on the subject since the introduction of Saturday classes. Many have been surprised to find in favor of Saturday classes. The question of the study of the subject of the student council was also discussed. It was decided that the council should be appointed a committee with power to act. To the next council meeting he reported that four dollars and eighty-five cents had by certain persons unnamed been paid to John C. Hamm, receipt being herewith exhibited, and he recommended that the receipt be shown to the president of the college and then placed on file.

The Hamm chicken case was without precedent. Chickens had been lost before, but never in all the years that the faculty had more or less governed Pine River College, without the consent of the governed, had ever a chicken been found or paid for.

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Taking off from the dock in front of Wright Hall early Friday morning the International Relations Club delegates, seven in number, Dean Steward and Miss Foley, journeyed to Geneva, (locally known as Detroit) to attend the Fifth Ordinary Session of the Model Assembly of the League of Nations.

The trip down was uneventful aside from one hold-up on the main thoroughfare of the city of Merrill, in which Chauffeur Blackstone was warned on penalty of being placed on the spot, never again to exceed the 15 miles per hour speed limit which that metropolis has maintained since time immemorial. Also there was something said about the newly erected stop sign which has recently replaced the city's antiquated traffic light.

Due to the inspiration of Barker's constant urging (we wonder why) our motorman arrived at the Hotel Webster Hall in time to register and obtain a pew in that great temple of Morpheus and then after a hurried bite, to report at the Assembly Room of Detroit City College, for the first Plenary Session of the League of Nations.

Following the usual procedure of the League the delegates from the fifty-five nations represented were properly seated beneath their respective banners. The Assembly was opened by the President of Council, Mr. Alvin Reske, and Dean W. L. Coffey of City College welcomed the delegates, after which Jack Irvin, President of Assembly was elected and responded with a brief address.

The Agenda, as adopted, placed, before the Assembly the task of settling the Manchurian affair, in the Special meeting of the Council of the League of Nations; the consideration of the Protocol relating to revision of the status of The Permanent Court of International Justice, by Committee No. 1; the discussion of the world economic depression with special reference to tariffs, the present financial situation, and the question of bi-metalism, by Committee No. 2; and the consideration of the question of mandates held by the larger nations over several less influential territories since the World War, with especial regard to Iraq over whom Britain now holds mandatory power. The question of mandates was assigned to Committee No. 6.

Immediately following this General Assembly meeting came a special meeting of the Council of the League of Nations at which Barker Brown spoke for the United States, disapproving the action of Japan in Manchuria. Japan's delegate was a pugnacious debator from Albion, China was represented by a sure-enough Chinaman from the U. of M. His presentation of China's position and policy was perhaps the outstanding feature of this meeting. There was a lively argument between these two warring countries. Japan claiming China was unable to police Manchuria and China requesting to know how she could be expected to do so when Japanese soldiers were scattered all over the place! The Council failed to agree on the note which should have been sent Japan and, in this, deviated from the action taken by the real League Council last fall.

At the business meeting following the First Assembly Dean Steward and Nancibel Thorburn represented Alma. It was decided that the Michigan Model League will meet at Ypsilanti next year.

There was a recess between 5 o'clock and the banquet at 7:30. (During which Barker had to go to the Hospital). The evening affair was semi-formal and a four course dinner was served. Following this gastronomical delight, Dr. Paul K. Waip of the University of Kentucky gave an address, "The Role of the Assembly in the League of Nations." After carefully outlining the organization of the League he emphasized the fact that here all nations small or great have a voice in

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First True Story of an Historic Event on Alma College Campus

PREFACE TO STORY

Editors Note: This is a saga of events which took place a little more than ten years ago. The author, in an unguarded moment offered it to us with, "Here's something you might want to use someday if you run short of material. A couple of national magazines couldn't use it." We are short of material and we know it will interest you so here is the story:

Pine River Uplifts the Stage.

The two most important men in Pine River College were in conference. One had been the one most influential person for several years or had been supposed to occupy that eminence, ex-officio; the other was an office holder for the year only. The Short-Term Most Important had been summoned by the Ex-Officio Most Important. The meeting was in Ex-Officio's office, known as the President's Carpet Room. Much and many had been on the president's carpet. It was the only really famous carpet in Pine River's modestly furnished halls.

The Short-Term Most Important was a student, the President of the Student Council of Pine River College. His title was always written in reverent capitals. The student

council was new and no one knew yet exactly what power it had. But the students rejoiced in it, and were proud of the fact that it had emerged as a compromise settlement of the Great Strike of 1920. They were jealous of its powers and prerogatives. They believed that so far the faculty hadn't done anything over on it.

The faculty were not above the level of honor that appealed to the members of the student council. The president said "for the protection of the student council" and from a citizen asking redress for injury, and had not the council redressed the injury to the amusement of the citizen. They hadn't taken any chances on that letter. Prexy was foxy and he may have been trying to put a case up to them they would refuse because too difficult.

The case was a poultry case. John C. Hamm respectfully stated that he had, on the night of January twenty-second, lost six Rhode Island Reds. Fresh snow being on the ground, he had followed tracks to Founders' Hall, finding also feathers on the way. He averred that he had in his time been a part of many communities and had always kept chickens. He had lived near

negroes, near railroad yards, near many different kinds of foreigners, and had always safely and without loss kept chickens. And now, he was pained to say, he found that under the shadow, as it were, of a Christian college he was being robbed. He was surprised it was the painful fact of the surprise related by John C. Hamm, or whether it was his own honor that appealed to the members of the student council. The president of the council had asked that he be appointed a committee with power to act. To the next council meeting he reported that four dollars and eighty-five cents had by certain persons unnamed been paid to John C. Hamm, receipt being herewith exhibited, and he recommended that the receipt be shown to the president of the college and then placed on file.

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We feel that we really should inform a student body who are notoriously poor newspaper readers about further developments in the Lindbergh case. This will be classed as the biggest news story of the year even if the Democrats get the Presidency, the 18th Amendment is repealed or Al Capone is given a life sentence. The rumor has been circulating that the sole purpose of the kidnapping was to get some gangster big shot out of jail and last week it was suggested in the Senate that this big shot was Al Capone. If this is the case, as it well may be since Al seems so anxious to get out of jail and so sure he can get the child, there can be no question of bargaining on the part of the government. There have been those who accused the Lindberghs of petty treason in trying to get their child back in a way other than through the channels of the police but very few modern Americans have reached that state of patriotism where a loved one will be willingly sacrificed for the good of the state under such circumstances as these. As the case progresses it seems to get more other our hopes are more for the return of the baby than for the rounding up of the gang although that would be an added blessing.

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much more about Pine River College students than any faculty member, and had the power to make diplomatic adjustments without process of legislation or of levying fines and penalties. He knew about chicken stealing; the president had never yet in his several years restored a single pullet to its roost or made good the ravages on any trustful neighbor's poultry yard. Indeed there was a report that to one poultry fancier he had said, without active sympathy, that he never yet had known chickens to thrive in the rarefied atmosphere natural to the neighborhood of a college established among other purposes, "to enlist and raise up, under our own direction, a godly minister".

It was generally believed in Pine River that the president like to talk. The experienced student, therefore, sat alertly and listened, hoping that the president would indulge himself fully. The more fully the president indulged himself, the better was the guess as to how much he knew and where he got it. The better chance there was, also, to choose whether to adopt the plan of contrite confession, or the appearance of it by a discreet approach toward it, or a bluff.

These two respected each other, as Most Important men in any organization should. They had worked out several difficulties working as full partners. And it must also be said that they had opposed each other. The faculty point of view had not always been the student point of view, and when the two went into acknowledged conflict the faculty needed all its strength. When the students felt that they must win a battle with the faculty, they straitway disentangled themselves from all the affairs of the world, according to the advice of the apostle, and gave their days nights to the matter in hand; the faculty still had recitations and family affairs on their hands and fought in odd hours. This accounts for the many more victory notches on student snickersees.

Knowing what was expected of him the president talked.

"Last night", he began ominously, "there seems to have been a hazing case on our campus".

The student looked troubled.

Was it because he appreciated the seriousness of the matter or because he really didn't know that paddles had been used?

"My bedroom window was open I heard the sound of many students in front of Willard Hall. I heard singing, I thought, enforced singing. I heard the applause and the cries of the girls from their open windows; I heard the sound of paddling, un-mis-tak-a-bly!"

A great grin appeared on the face of the student. Was the grin there because he regarded the affair lightly or because he felt relief?

The president talked on. "I knew that all the students had been out earlier in the annual pajama parade. I hope everyone behave himself and that the theatre man will not be able to make the usual complaints. This year we specifically charged the student council with responsibility for this affair. I understand that you were invited ahead of time by the icecream men and the restaurants and the theatres. It's an old custom and if the men are gentlemen there's no harm in it, I suppose. But hazing's another matter. The very foundation of our student government rests on the students' general pledge that hazing's at an end. I want to express satisfaction in the student council's effectiveness so far -- in almost everything. We're making progress. College property's never been so well respected. Even on hallow'en night there was unusual decency. But - I - heard - paddles! And some one was being forced to sing. I hope I can smile with you, sir, but I confess I was disturbed. Now, sir, I've said my say. What can you tell me, if anything, or is it a case for investigation? Have the students resumed hazing?"

During the latter sentences the president had added the second well-known feature of his carpet talk. He was walking back and forth looking out of the window with both hands in trousers' pockets paying no attention to his auditor. And now when he looked he was almost offended to see that the president of the student council was obviously having a good time.

"Well, Mr. President, you're right and you're wrong. The whole thing was an effort on the part of the student body to purify the stage --"

"Ah!"

"-- to uplift the drama in America. And you're wrong about the night shirt -- the pajama parade. That was night before last. But the two go together. And you'd approve what we did last night."

"Your effort to purify the stage? Was it the Mecca? Yes, I probably would."

"Well, if you've time I'll tell you all about it. It isn't a case for faculty action or student council. At least, I think not. It's all done and well done at that. C'est fini. Everybody out -- show's over. Were you at the theatre the night of the parade?"

"No, I never go. I'd rather be somewhere else. I took the little boys down the street in the car to see the torchlight procession. It was as picturesque as a Ku Klux parade. Mrs. Straight asked me if I thought she might take the boys to the theatre, but I told her I thought she'd be happier at home."

"Well, she should have gone. We put on a good show. I'm sorry you weren't there. You'd have been proud of the mob. After the trouble of last year we had arranged with the proprietor to have twenty-five minutes. We lined all the Freshmen on the stage and they sang the Pine River Boat Song. Then Ivory Hummel played the piano and say, he's good! The Gold-Dust Fairbanks twins sang a duet -- they're both glee club material, and Ajax Hunter and Poor White put on a long and short boxing match that was a scream. Movie Mitchell had saved us all the front seats and the house was jammed. We gave yells for everybody and let the show go on."

"How did Mr. Mitchell take it?"

"Nothing too good for us. After last year he was as much for harmony as we were. Met us on the sidewalk. Greeted us as long lost friends. He'd better -- with that new theatre about done. Gave us the stage at once. It was almost too easy. He had four vaudeville acts. The first was a trained chicken act. Some one yelled, 'Keep your seats, boys, they're five years old.' We watched three minutes of it and the president of the senior class got up and said, 'Fellows is it good enough? Shall the gentleman proceed with his educated poultry?' There was a chorus, 'Yeah, let him go, he's a good egg. Aside from a few crows, not so bad (one Freshman's good at crowing), and a lot of clucking the act wasn't hurt. Two girls came and sang. The boys voted for more. They were on the bill as sisters. They were old at the game and didn't mind. A scared young woman came

out to sing. The president of the senior class took her a bouquet, real flowers. That made her worse. The president rose again, 'Brethren, the young lady looks to me like a grand opera prospect. She will some day sing before the crowned heads of Europe -- what's left of 'em. She realizes that this audience is a critical one. Are we for her or against her? Right -- we're for her. We would ask her to enroll with our proud freshman class but we would not rob the great world of a new Ganna Garden or of a second Geraldine Gertritz. Do we vote silence in the courthouse? Passed unanimously. Mamselle Geraldine or Madame Ganna, as the case may eventually be, do your warbling. We're you friends?'"

"Did that encourage her?"

"Not so much. But she got by and the boys gave her the glad hand. Then there came out a Yiddisher. He walked to the edge of the stage and locked daggers at us. He fist was doubled up. Some one yelled, 'Sweet singer of Israel', and the crowd yelled. He sang 'Da da' -- do you know it? We all do -- now. A vote was passed requesting him to do something else. He made a noise we didn't hear. He began about my horse towns, and the boy's head. He pulled the old one about his father being a street cleaner in a town that wasn't a one horse town, and they yelled, 'Naughty, 'Take him out', 'The hook'. Then we sang and he left the stage. He was vulgar -- rotten. The stuff had no right on a decent stage."

"Well, but what's all this to do with last night?"

"Everything. Later the Yiddisher made the rounds of the restaurants, saying he was looking for students. He said we were cowards. That if he could get one of us alone, he'd show us a real fight. All the boys were back on the campus so he didn't meet any one, but he shot his head off everywhere and announced what he'd do to any one of us showed up."

"Yesterday the boys heard about it and found that he was booked for Mt. Gilead last night. So we got Runt Jones' car and hired a taxi -- closed, you know -- and went up there -- ten of us, all good big fellows. Got there at ten. Saw the chief of police, told him what we were going to do. Told him all about the Yiddisher. He's a Ku-Kluxer -- the chief, I mean. Gave him five dollars. He said he had to go down to the railroad station, and didn't give a --didn't care what we did, if we were quiet about it."

"Corrupting an arm of the law -- um-m-m-m"

"Yes, sir. Not much of an arm though. If he's the right arm, Mt. Gilead's left handed. Well -- at ten forty-five the Yiddisher came out of the theatre. We had both car in the alley -- one gang got out. One fellow backed against the door. One went to each side of him, and told him we were going to take him for a little ride. He didn't know what to do but got in. Out the tail end of the alley, through the back streets, forty minutes to home. Nobody talked except to tell him friends of his wanted to see him in Pine River. We'd bring him back quiet and all safe if he behave himself. He started several times to talk but nobody answered him."

"You ought to have been along. No, you couldn't have been. Too bad. Best show of my course. We drove to Founders' Hall, went into the big room and everybody there. The Yiddisher had a big leather chair. Everything in order. Bob Watson climbed the table and addressed the assembly."

"Men of Pine River. In the ancient days of Pine River when men were men and freshmen were animals, there were rules and regulations calculated to bring up freshmen in the ways they should go. Those days are at one with the glory that was Greece and the grandure that was Rome. In those days of the elders and elder's wives, there were in possession of the elders

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BITS O' NEWS

Speaking of the play: Orchids to Mabel, Hirschberg. George and Marjle for getting the maximum of humor out of their lines. One also to Ellen for most at home on the stage. Another to Bob Randels for looking most used to a tux. Credit to the gentlemen who stalled effectively during the fire siren in Act III. Criticism: The offstage music for dancing was so loud it was hard to hear the speeches

Notice to track fans: D'Angelo took second in the mile after Balfour and Graham scratched.

And Cob won a race! going to help him in the pole vault.

Harry says that extra weight is figure it out for yourselves you physicists!

Da Bull will hit forty feet with the shot soon. And he's also doing nobly wit the discus and javelin. But what a sloppy hih jumper!

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certain implements of honest workmanship designed for the subduing of the unruly and the correction of the uncorrected. Say you that those instruments are no more? Not so, they are some more. Not in Holden Museum have they rested, nor elsewhere in college halls, but they have not perished. In the secret places of Founders' Hall, in sacred closets and under the couches of the faithful, these implements, these symbols of order and law, have reposed waiting any possible day or night of Pine River's need. I say unto you, "Tonight's the night." Varlets of the timberland, produce the hickory and the elm and the ironwood."

"Six Freshmen came, arms full of paddles and Bob auctioned them off.

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Little ones twenty-five, big ones fifty cents. The Yiddisher sank lower in his chair. His face was green. No one paid any attention to him. When everybody had a paddle the big fellows surrounded him and everybody went over in front of Willard Hall. When they got there the announcement was made that Louis Levine -- that's his stage name, probably -- Levinsky -- would sing. The opportunity had not been afforded all the young ladies to hear this renowned vocalist from New York City, and he had volunteered to render that well known favorite ballad entitled, "Da da". All around him paddles cracked together in applause. The cheering was continuous.

"When he had a chance to sing he could hardly make his voice go. Did you hear him? He had his tremelo stop out all the time. The applause was like a company of cavalry on a wooden pavement. He was encored. He gave some monologue, the decent part he hadn't been allowed to give the night he was here at the show. We went back to Founders' Hall, with him in the middle, but he couldn't have got far."

"At Founders' we told him we'd heard what he had said about us and the college. Did he still think it? Apologize? He apologized forty ways from a jack - every way, I mean. We were gentlemen. He hadn't known what he was talking about. We were a fine crowd and a fine college. He was still scared. He'd look sidewise at the paddles and gulp down his Adam's apple. Then he would beg and apologize some more. We let him monologue away."

"We spent the auction money for a feed. We accepted his apology, urged him to come and see us he said he certainly would; if he ever came back to town, treated him like a guest, fed him well; finally we voted him a good fellow and wished him success in his chosen art. We had him back at Mt. Gilead at one-thirty. Left him at the hotel to go to bed. I wonder if he slept?"

The Ex - Officio Most Important one had very obviously enjoyed the story.

"Let me see", he meditated aloud. "Hazing is intimidation. It is cruelty. It is mob action against --"

"There", said the student. "That's the nearest you've ever come. We've tried to drive you or inveigle you into an inclusive definition of hazing and you've been too smart to be misled. You've avoided it! That's as near as you've ever come. But, now, let me ask you: haven't you said that it's the spirit of the thing, the motive behind the action?"

"I've said something like that." "Well, the motive was good, as I told you in the beginning, the purification of the drama. Take it from me, he's purified; that Yiddisher met with the Uplift."

"But", ---- "One thing more. As far as you've ever gone in defining hazing, you've always talked about mistreating a fellow student. The Yiddisher wasn't a student."

"What a force for righteousness you all are, when you combine. You've heard that before -- from imported chapel speakers."

The president walked back and forth. He seemed to talk now to himself.

"I suppose no action is necessary -- unless perhaps the faculty should care to pass a vote of thanks. No action -- unless your Yiddish friend should bring action in the courts. I think it unlikely. The great task of purifying the drama is such that it may be essential that we stand shoulder to shoulder -- perhaps even strike paddles together.

CONTEST

The Forum seeks new authors. In its July issue it will publish an article to be written by some member of the class of 1932 in an American college or university. The subject may be any phase of the current depression as it will affect those who are leaving college this June to try to earn their livings. Among the eligible topics are the problems of jobs, of social attitudes, of individual adjustment in an economically distressed world, and of what young people might do to aid in the stabilization of society. These are

only suggestions, however. Any other ideas, as long as they relate to the particular economic and social environment in which the graduate will find himself and are set forth from his point of view, will be equally acceptable.

This is NOT a "prize contest." The manuscripts submitted will receive regular editorial consideration, and those accepted will be purchased at customary rates for publication in The Forum. Any senior regularly enrolled in an American college or university is eligible.

If the Editor judges any article submitted of sufficient merit, and indicative of the requisite qualifications on the part of its author, he will offer the author an assignment to go abroad for The Forum to gather material for a similar article on the problems of European students. Such an offer would include necessary travel and living expenses.

The length of the articles submitted must not exceed 1800 words, and they should preferably be typewritten. Manuscripts must reach the Forum office not later than May 10, 1932. They should be addressed to The College Manuscripts Editor, The Forum, 441 Lexington Avenue, New York, N. Y. Rejected manuscripts will not be returned unless a stamped and addressed return envelope is enclosed. The Editor cannot enter into correspondence concerning manuscripts submitted.

BIG SHOTS

One young man who can not be left out of the list of campus big shots is Clarence Moore, of Niles, president of the Senior class. This is the second time that the class of '32 has chosen him to guide their destinies; he was also president his sophomore year.

Dinty's chief claim to fame is his work in dramatics. From the time that he bawled out his first wise crack in "The Butter and Egg Man" in the fall of his freshman year, to his fine work in the leading role of "Three Live Ghosts" last Homecoming, he has been the Drama Club's busiest and best actor. In "New Brooms", he set a standard for character acting that will probably never be equalled here. As director, he has managed two first class shows, and is to direct the commencement play this spring.

As athletic manager, Dinty has worked untiringly for the past two years. He is quite an athlete himself, but confines his activities to wrestling, in which sport he is one of the best on the campus. (This is not meant for a dirty crack.) He also has participated in oratory and debate.

MORE OF "PROF'S" SPRING POEMS

A Spring Night
Author Unknown (17th Century)
Fragrantly full of the Spring, the night breezes largely blow; Through the bamboos an odorous mist comes up from the garden below. The flowers and the foliage are white with the silvery light of the moon; now shadows die gently round, the babbling rills away in tune.

On tiptoe I wander entranced 'mid a maze of magical bowers, I push through the lacy bamboos, and cautiously peek at the flowers Under the wide spreading fronds, where moonbeams through crevices seep, To see in the hush of the night if the delicate blooms are asleep.

A Spring Evening Alone
By Li Po
The air is freshened by the balmy breeze; The moonbeams white are filtering. The woods and waters welcome me back the Spring; And from the flowering stalks the petals swing.

The mountain tops have chased away the mists; The birds are seeking nooks to hide their nests; Each wants a place that it can call its own; I linger here content to be alone.

I wander through a maze of moonlit bowers. And singing, quaff the fragrance of the Spring flowers.

The Hidden Flute
By Li Po

From someone's hidden flute come wailing notes and long. What melody is that? It is the Willow Song. The fragrant breath of Spring wafts music sweet above: How can one hear it and forget his youthful love?

CAMPUSOLOGY

Did you ever notice that the advertisements of one of the safest banks in Michigan is in red? It is the Bank of Saginaw sign facing you as you turn on to Genesee from Michigan. Paging Mr. Ripley.

Did you notice the curious sequence of the ads on the Drama Club play program back page. (No offence meant.) Three eat ads, next insurance, Mortician and "Say it with Flowers". (It had to be pointed out to us too.)

Suggestion: Why doesn't the trio keep King quiet between numbers?

Estes: "This place is getting to be quite a zoo what with rabbits and students" Look who's talking!

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Alma Students Attend Mich Model Assembly

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world affairs. His address dealt more specially with the "Role of the League" in the world. Today the time element is not great between nations, the language element is being over come. We already have several World organizations, he pointed out, which deal with Banking, Labor, Health, and other world problems. And even recently we have been observing how the League, young that it is, brings pressure to bear upon aggressor nations, upholding treaties between nations, arbitrating between opposing governments and championing disorganized national governments and small countries against militaristic and imperialistic nations. Furthermore he emphasized the fact that the League will gain influence and greater dispatch when it has been in existence long enough to build up a line of precedents in regulating international affairs.

A semi-formal dance closed the evening at midnight. Saturday morning at nine-thirty the three committees met separately in the College Ad Building. It is reported that feeling ran high as conflicting opinions from various parts of the globe were presented during the discussion of the various questions. At eleven-thirty the Committees managed to arrive at conclusions and all delegates retreated to the top floor of Webster Hall for a splendid luncheon. Due to the inclination of the waitresses to be partial to some of the gentlemen delegates Dean Steward came nearly not being served! But all is well that ends well, especially when the second delegate from Austria ended with two desserts!

Miss Emma Gunther, of the Carnegie Endowment for World Peace, addressed the delegates at the luncheon. The keynote of her speech was that, in spite of pro-militarists and petty philosophers like Will Rogers the League and the Model League, by getting college people to study international problems, are steadily forming a rising sentiment for world unity.

During the interval between the luncheon and the Second Plenary meeting of the Assembly at 3:00, the delegates amused themselves at the swimming pool and ping-pong tables.

At three we all came together to hear the reports of the Committees which were as follows:

First Committee Report: (Don Blackstone and Edith Davis representing Austria) discussed the entry into force of the Statute for Revision of the World Court.

On September 14, 1929, the First Committee decided that the World Court had outgrown its organization and decided to revise the Statute to allow for more judges, to increase salaries, and to provide for their permanent residence at the Hague. This report was submitted to the Plenary Session, which adopted it, encouraging all nations to ratify it before September 1, 1930, in order that the new judges might be elected under its provisions. However, all Statutes require the unanimous decision of the nations and Cuba and Guatemala refused to sign the new Statute. It did not go into force, and Finland again called for a special hearing.

At the meeting the various delegates gave their country's viewpoint. Cuba, Guatemala, Italy, Poland and Austria gave prepared speeches. A discussion followed. The committee adopted the first 24 articles with 2 amendments, but could come to no decision on the 25th article, to which Cuba objected. The Committee also discussed the possibility of extending the jurisdiction of the World Court, but made no resolutions.

Second Committee Report: (Nancibel Thorburn, Ronald Bacon and Barker Brown represented Austria) recommended to the Assembly: 1. That a voluntary tariff union be formed between nations desiring to lower their trade barriers.

2. That any tariffs be lowered as far as possible.

3. That membership in the Tariff Union be opened to any nation wishing to comply with the tariff agreements.

Sixth Committee Report: (Claire Wilson and Claude Knight representing Austria)

The whole question revolved on the point of whether Iraq was ready and capable of independence or not. So the following resolution was adopted. Resolved: That Iraq be granted conditional self-government for a period of time to be determined by a commission of five nations of the League, which at the end of that period would report to the League, recommending what further action should be taken.

After considerable spirited debat-

ing the Assembly accepted most of the reports.

The session closed with an address by the President of the Assembly, Mr. Jack Irvin of City College, and an invitation to all present to assemble again next year at Ypsilanti.

R. B.

Alice Biondi Stars in Fine Wilde Play

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furnished by Wendling Hastings at the organ and the trio, Messrs. King, Menoch and Boyd furnished vocalizations.

The complete cast was as follows: Lady Windermere, Mary E. Soper Parker (butler), Paul Ditto Lord Darlington, Harold Matteson Duchessa f Berwick, Mabel Kennett Lady Agatha Carlisle, Marjorie Landom Lord Windermere, Gene Tarrant Mr. Dumby, John Hurst Lady Plymdale, Ellen Wilson Lady Stutfield, Evelyn Spencer Mrs. Cowper-Cowper, Jean McGarvah Mr. Hopper, Robert Randels Lady Jedburgh, Josephine Woodward Lord Augustus Lorton, Geo. Roberts Mr. Cecil Graham, Howard Hirshberg Mrs. Erylne, Alice Biondi Rosalie (maid), Aileen Waters Guests in Second Act, McConnell Oakley, Howard Potter, Janet Hill, Shelia Littleton, Claude Knight.

Spencer Bible Essay Subject Is Given Out

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containing the real name of the author.

3. Any regularly enrolled student of the College shall be eligible to com-

pete for the prize, but no student, having once received the prize, shall be eligible for it again.

4. The successful essay shall become the property of the College Library. If it seems desirable to the committee of award, the essay may be published or read at some public assembly of the College.

The complete announcement will appear on the bulletin board in a few days. Professor Brokenshire says that he will soon have a number of books relative to the subject placed on reserve in the Library.

Six-Day Class Week Vote Taken

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semester. Somehow these results do not coincide.

If anyone has any feeling which they wish to express on this subject The Almanian will willingly welcome signed contributions to its Forum columns.

The Wanderer's Solace

By Chang Fang Sheng (4th Century) Editors Note: A "li", pronounced "lee" is about a third of a mile.

A thousand feet rise rocky cliffs,
Without a break;
A hundred "li" without a wave,
Oh, what a lake!
Sands that always glisten white,
Without a stain;
Pine tree groves through the years
Forever green.
Streams that endlessly flow on,
Without a pause;
Woods that for a myriad years
Have kept your vows:
You have finally soothed a heart,
Once crushed by wrong,
And moved a wanderer to write
Another song.



Homer tells us in his Iliad of Polyphemus, one-eyed giant and cannibalistic son of Neptune, whom Ulysses outwitted. Polyphemus thought there wasn't a hewer of logs or heaver of weights in all the ancient world who could equal him as he lifted boulders off the coast of Sicily and threw them into the ocean far below in a mad effort to crush Ulysses and his tiny fleet.

Unless Homer was much less of an exaggerator than we suspect he was, Polyphemus would lose a load of conceit could he see Charles Rigoulet, the professional French weight-lifter in the modern day—or Rudolph Ismayer, the chubby German university lad, lift their 400 and 248 pound bar-bells respectively.

And would Polyphemus' single eye pop could he see the 210-pound Egyptian heavyweight Nossier, lift pound-ages which are expected to make the Olympic Auditorium, scene of the weight-lifting events in 1932, rock.

Polyphemus, Step Children

In the massive Olympic Auditorium, built by the Los Angeles Athletic Club at a cost of \$500,000 on a site only a mile away from the quaint Mexican plaza where 151 years ago Felipe de Neve lifted the flag of imperial Spain and declared La Ciudad de Los Angeles founded, brawny men from a score of lands will do another kind of lifting in 1932.

Polyphemus' step children will perform in an 18 foot ring lighted by six 1500 candle power lamps and surrounded by 10,400 spectators and a flow of fresh air provided by eight large exhaust fans and two outside fans. Preparations have been made to cover the floor of the ring later to be used for the boxing and wrestling events, with a 7/8 inch extra layer of hardwood to withstand the pressure of the weight lifting events on the evenings of July 30 and 31 in the Xth Olympiad.

The Olympic Auditorium is but a 5 minutes car ride from the Olympic Stadium, hub of the Xth Olympiad, and but a few blocks from Pershing Square, in the center of the downtown district, fronted by the elegant 1500 room Biltmore Hotel, headquarters-to-be of a host of Olympic officials and visitors.

An Eye Opener

"Weight lifting, as it will be demonstrated to the Olympic spectators," says handsome Jere Kingsbury, assistant coach of the American weight lifting team, "will be a revelation to the sporting fraternity.

"They will find that modern weight lifting, far from being the sport of piano movers and human oxen, is a sport in which the finest type of speed, co-ordination, and balance combined with strength are demanded."

Weight lifters are classified into 5 groups -- featherweight, lightweight, middleweight, lighthweight, and heavyweight; and they compete only with men in the same weight class. Each nation has two men in each category, making a ten man team. Each of the husky gentlemen get turns at the following lifts--Two Hands Military Press, Two Hands Snatch, and Two Hands Clean and Jerk. His best efforts are added, and the total obtained is his score.

Prospects

Rudolph Ismayer, 162 pound world's middleweight champ, simply dotes on the Two Hands Snatch in which he must, by dropping rapidly under the weight, hurl his world's record 248 pounds of bar bell in one movement to arm's length overhead. Rudy comes from Germany where Hans Wolfram, German all round athlete tells us, "we feel that the only thing which can revive us is the athletic idea, hence physical culture and the playing of games have become a necessity for us."

The ordinary strong athlete weighing 200 pounds or more, but unaccustomed to lifting, would be unable to lift a 248 pound weight to the chest-let alone hurl it to arm's length overhead.

America, as a novice in the lifting events compared to some of the nations which have had weight lifting entrants ever since the Athens Olympiad of 1896, looks to receiving the hardest competition from Egypt-Pharaoh's descendants have lost none of their lifting abilities inherited from the pyramid builders. They hold the lightweight, lighthweight, and heavyweight world records.

In addition, certain determined gentlemen from France, Germany, Austria, and Italy will attempt a repetition of former victories.

A Carbon Copy of Nature

In Sparta, according to legend, lifting was confined to pockets when the young aspirants could get away with it.

In Southern California, the Olympiad of 1932 will find men of the world imitating on a miniature scale the forces of nature. Who lifted the mountainous grandeur of this region of the bowels of the earth.