

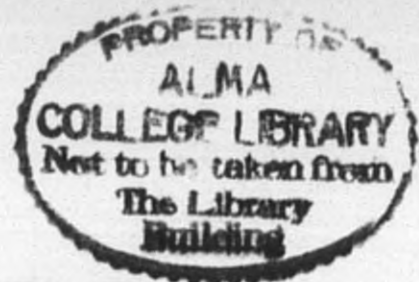
# STAG EDITION THE ALMANIAN

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## Kazoo Normal and Albion Fall to Alma

### ZETA SIGMA STAG HELD FRI. NIGHT

Oldest Men's Society Stages  
Thirty-Sixth Annual Get-Together.

From the first gong of the first preliminary to the last gong of the main bout, the annual Zeta Sigma Stag Banquet ran true to the highest expectations. The banquet was held in the Wright House last Friday evening. From the point of view of men returned, the banquet was the best attended in several years.

The menu for the banquet that preceded the fight was most appetizing, and the response to the culinary efforts of the Wright House chef most gratifying. The banquet was served with neatness and dispatch, and devoured with as much alacrity to Frank Kennedy's piano. Immediately after the majority of the feasters had finished the tables were moved back and a ring set up at one end of the hall.

Announcer Merriam stepped into the ring and introduced the bill procured for the pleasure of the assembled throng, and introduced several famous fighters of other days who were not on the evening's fight card. A special edition of the Police Gazette, notorious journal of the sport world, gave the onlookers the low down of the fighters that they were to see in action. The ring was turned over to Referee Coach Campbell, and while seconds Sartor and Murray got the first two contestants into shape, the Ref laid down the rules governing the evening's contest.

A gong from Time Keeper Crooks brought One Round Hogan and Dagerous Dawson to their feet, and the first was on. The subject the two were fighting over was "The Knock-out." Dawson fouled a couple of times, and once or twice the two Frosh clinched, but the end of the second round found both so exhausted that no decision was handed down.

The next bout was between two deadly enemies, who soon demonstrated to the fans that they were out for blood. Six-Second Shaver of the Gas House Gang and Battling MacDonald of the Steam Rollers lost no time in sparring. The first blow landed was a square one, and from then on the battle was anything but ladylike. "Our Society Battles" was the subject that they got warmed up over, and the gong that ended the first round ended the fight. The crowd unanimously decided that such brutality could not be endured further.

Knockout Ewer and Chesty Robinson furnished the next sparring match. Chesty relied on his piercing tenor while Knockout was a little inclined to resort to basser methods. The "Battle Hymn of the Republic" ended in a free-for-all with everybody joining in on the mele. It was with difficulty that the Referee quieted the crowd, and introduced the next bout.

The fourth preliminary started a little timidly, but soon got under way in fine shape. Sheffy Sharrar and Hell-Roarin' Hamilton mixed business with pleasure in landing blows right and left. Several blows went a little wild and two men in the crowd suffered slight injuries, Shaver getting a healthy bat behind the ear, and Mel Orr intercepting one that landed square on the button. "Campus Battles" was their contribution.

Windy Wyatt, for some time out of training, staged a come back that was little short of wonderful against a lighter and shiftier opponent, Blow-Hard Gesner. While his opponent was jumping about landing blows that took their toll, Windy was putting his head down and pounding consistently. The bout was one of the best of the evening, and the Referee had difficulty in deciding on the winner. Windy was awarded the bout on points. "Battles of Life" was what caused all the wind storm.

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### FOUR MORE SENIOR MEN GET TEACHING POSITIONS

During the past week four more members of the Class of 1925 signed contracts, and will teach next fall. Dewey Yoder, who has been teaching in Alma High School as well as attending college, has accepted a position as Principal of the former institution. Harold Gay will teach in Hebron Academy, Hebron, Maine. Carl Wood has signed a contract to teach in the Big Rapids schools. John Shroyer will teach Chemistry in Central High School, Flint, Mich.

Among the Seniors who have definitely decided not to teach in the coming year are Ross Calkins, Paul D. Gesner, Dwayne Burke, Ruth King, John Maurer, Mildred Nicholas, Donald Pugsley, Sinclair Tebo, Howard West, and John Hilderly.

### Small Fire in W. Hall Excites Co-Ed Inmates

The Alma Fire Department was called to the college last Wednesday afternoon, to extinguish a small blaze on the roof of Wright Hall, the women's dormitory. Smoke was seen issuing from the south central portion of the roof about four o'clock and the department responded quickly, arriving before the Hall alarm had been turned in. A hose was laid from the corner well, but this was found to be unnecessary, and the blaze was subdued with the small emergency hose which is a part of the regular Hall fire protection equipment.

The cause of the conflagration is unknown, but is laid either to "spontaneous combustion" or "mice and matches." The damage is estimated to not over \$10.

It was fortunate that the blaze was discovered, for in a short time the flames would have gained headway and worked under the slate roof. In that case, the blaze might have been a much more serious one.

One girl (name not stated) was asleep at the time of the outbreak of the fire. She awoke in the midst of the excitement, and not knowing that the danger was slight, she grabbed her valuables, and rushed out of her room with two overcoats and Hugh Tarrant's picture.

### Social Activities on the Wane This Week

The week will be a light one as far as all-college activities are concerned. One week from today, the Olivet baseball team will do combat with the Almates on Davis Field. All students will be present to see the Campbellites gain revenge for the 11-12 victory of Olivet a few weeks ago. The time between now and then will be devoted to varied activities. Tennis will be a favorite. Alma and Mt. Pleasant clash in tennis tomorrow afternoon, on the Mt. Pleasant courts. The match a week ago resulted in a tie, and this match will be a decisive one. Golf will also be popular, as the summer heat is not yet at its zenith,—but then, what do golf players care about weather conditions.

### ALMA AND C.M.N.S. TIE TENNIS MATCH

Court Men Show Real Ability—  
Return Match at Mt. Pleasant Tomorrow.

Alma College and Mt. Pleasant Normal fought to a 3-3 tie in a Tennis Match held at Alma last Wednesday afternoon. Each team won two of the Single Events, and each won one of the Doubles Events.

The Alma players were somewhat erratic in form, and played in spurts, but Coach Clack stated that consistency is bound to be gained later in the season, if the men continue their hard work. Lyle Koepke had a little stage fright in the Singles. He is a freshman, and it was his first Inter-collegiate Match. He gained confidence in the Doubles however, when backed by Ken Moore, the veteran, and the pair won their match. Lawrence Lankton and Ken Moore won Singles victories for Alma. Johnson lost a hard match, 6-2; 2-6; 6-2.

Lankton and Lemen in their Doubles match did some pretty playing, even though they did not win. Beaten 5-0 in the last set, they came back strong and made it duce, but were unable to put across the final punch.

It is encouraging to see some real results coming from the court men, and if the men continue their training, Alma may come into its own in the Tennis World.

#### Singles

Converse (Normal) beat R. Johnson (Alma) 6-2; 2-6; 6-2.  
Lankton (Alma) beat Showalter (Normal) 6-2; 5-7; 6-2.  
Myers (Normal) beat Koepke (Alma) 6-0; 6-3.

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### Rev. M. D. McLane Speaks in Chapel

Reverend M. D. McLane of McCormick Seminary was in Alma last Wednesday, and gave a very interesting talk to the student body during the chapel period. His talk held an appeal, especially to the Seniors concerning summer work. "Every Senior must ask himself these four questions," said McLane: "What shall I do? What have I to say? Can I take graduate work, if so, where? Where may I get money?" He then explained the summer courses offered at McCormick Seminary, and told how the student could earn his way through the pursuit of work interesting to him. According to the speaker, no greater and better field for training in religious or social service may be found in the country, than in and about Chicago, where McCormick Seminary is located.

### FINAL EXAMINATIONS BEGIN MONDAY, JUNE 8

Word was received from the Registrar yesterday that the Final Examinations will not start until Monday, June 8th, due to the M. I. A. A. Finals at Hillsdale, June 5th and 6th. A number of the Faculty members as well as a large group of athletes will be in attendance at the Association Final Games, and to start the examinations on June 4th, as previously planned, would be hardly possible. The M. I. A. A. Finals require the attendance of the coaches and participants of all spring and summer sports, as well as the M. I. A. A. Representatives. Repeated once more for emphasis, the Final Examinations will start Monday, June 8th.

### H'dale Drops to Olivet; Ypsi in First Place

(Correct to Monday Night)

Team	Won	Lost	Pct.
Mich. S. N.	5	2	.714
Hillsdale College	4	2	.667
Alma College	4	2	.667
Olivet College	4	4	.500
Kalamazoo College	2	5	.286
Albion College	2	6	.250

Michigan State Normal winning from Albion and Kalamazoo Friday and Saturday by lopsided scores went closer to first place in the Michigan Intercollegiate race and into that position Monday.

Alma with her Monday victory over Albion also approached closer to the coveted first place position, and a victory over Hillsdale Friday will place Michigan State Normal and Alma in a tie, for the day at least. Saturday the tie will be broken, however, when Michigan State and Hillsdale mix.

Hillsdale's chances in the race were lessened still more in the judgement of the critics when the Blue and White's game with Olivet was rained off Saturday, and in the postponed game Monday Hillsdale was defeated 7 to 6.

Alma will be in second place and possibly in first Saturday night, depending on the result of Friday and Saturday's Hillsdale games.

### Band Plays For Elks' Big Initiation Parade

Last Tuesday evening, when the Elks paraded before their initiation ceremonies, the Alma College Band was given the honor of heading the parade. The procession was a long one, including Elks from all parts of Central Michigan, the Saginaw Elks' drill team, the Merrill band, the "Johnson and Kennedy orchestra on wheels," and numerous other features. Two fliers from Lansing came to Alma in a plane for the occasion.

After the parade, the Alma College Band was tendered a dinner in the Methodist church by the local Elks organization. Dunham's "Elks' Extra Edition" of the Alma Record proved one of the big noises of the banquet.

### HOME CROWDS SEE TEAM WIN TWICE

Campbellites Win Both Games  
by Four-Run Margins—  
Bouwman Hurls Fine Ball.

#### WESTERN STATE

Western State Normal conquerors of the University of Wisconsin and other foes of high repute, was forced to bow before the Alma collegians Friday in a well played game on Davis Field, the superior pitching of Bert Bouwman, elongated Alma hurler, being of such a variety that his offering could not be served. Bert earned, and should have had, a shut-out.

The game was not without its sensational features. One of these came in the third inning, when Johnson of the Western State team dove for a ball in left field and robbed Hunter and what was apparently a certain hit. Another feature worthy of real note was the four base smash that Bouwman drove out in the sixth inning when MacDonald was resting on second. Bouwman put the ball outside of the lot to get his honor.

Bouwman pitched superb baseball all of the way being taken for just five singles, which was so well scattered that no two could be grouped to the inning, and except for an error in the ninth inning would have had a well-deserved shutout. It might be added that he received good support from his cast, only Hunter being guilty of misplays.

In six of the nine innings Western managed to get a man on the sacks, but Bouwman was so stingy and his support so lacking, that not until the final inning, when the contest was tucked away, could Western put a man past second base.

Western's first hit came in the second. With one down Schrupp singled and was sacrificed to second where he died. In the fourth Coverington died at second. In the fifth with one down Maher singled, but Miller forced him, and Miller was stranded at first when Ellington struck out. In the seventh Johnson opened with a hit to left, but Schrupp socked one at Gaelor and a double play swept the sacks clean. In the eighth with two down Winthers was safe on Hunter's error, and was stranded at first when Bennett grounded out to Dutch. In the ninth after Covington had fled to Welhoelter, Hunter booted Lee's smash to third. Johnson forced Lee. Johnson stole second. Schrupp walked. Righter got a fluke hit to right and Johnson cashed. Maher fouled out.

Alma counted first in the fourth. With two down MacDonald singled to left and went on to third when the ball got away from Johnson. Bouwman smashed a hot one to left and MacDonald scored. Shaver grounded out.

In the sixth the game was put on ice. Harley Catherman walked to start the inning. Miller attempted to force Harley at second on Welhoelter's bungle, but he threw wild to Righter and both were safe. MacDonald caught one for two bases, Catherman and Welhoelter scoring. Bouwman set himself, picked one to his liking and drove it clear of the lot before the ball hit the turf. He quickly traveled the paths with MacDonald rambling along ahead of him. Shaver struckout. Carty hit for three bases. At this stage of the proceedings Ellington left the picture by way of a fadeout and was succeeded by Winthers. Wright fled to short, Carty being held at third, Gaelor walked and stole, but Hunter

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#### A CORRECTION

Last week's edition of the Almanian contained an error in the article on the Alma-Michigan State College Track Meet. Sinclair Tebo, instead of Floyd Nowiski took third place in the 120 yard hurdles. Nowiski took thirds in the shot put and javelin events. Pardon us.

## Pyramid Continuous Tennis Tournament

During the past week, Russ Johnson gained the topmost rung of the tennis standings, but surrendered his crown to Koepke a few days ago. Matches in the tournament are two sets out of three. Any player may challenge any player in the horizontal row above him, and if he beats him, they exchange places. Any student may enter the tournament at any time. (See Tennis Scoreboard in the Gym.) Any player who is challenged by a player in the row beneath him must play within two days (unless he is playing another match) or forfeit his place.

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### How to Trout Fish

On Friday the fifteenth an organized group of college students left Alma for a fishing trip on the Cedar River. For point of direction, the Cedar river is near Harrison, Mich., and Harrison is fifty-three miles from Alma in a north westerly direction, in the locality of which this beautiful ice cold trout stream flows. This country is very beautiful to those of you who have not had a peek at the beginning of the great open spaces.

It is not my purpose to conceal the names of those in the party, but I assure you that we had a gallant band and amongst them was an outstanding figure the "Cook," who incidentally was a good one. We went prepared to stay until Sunday evening and according to plans laid out by the "advance fishermen," we got back to Alma on schedule.

To do away with all propaganda which might be floating about the campus as to this trip, I assure you that we all caught some trout, getting our limit one day and a few the next. The first day out we had some trouble in getting any fish or even a strike. We inquired from some of the numerous fishermen we met along the stream what was the matter, and they told us that according to an old tradition one should change his chewing tobacco at least every two hours. So, after we got that advice, we had to send Murray up for the truck to take the trout into camp. Well, the next day we had better luck and the trout were biting better. We had to get Chuck out of the water once when an extra large trout had him cornered and was about to charge him head on. We just got him out in time as the powerful caudal fin swept past us in an attempt to brush poor Charlie out of existence. But with great courage Chuck swept into the stream with a determination to land that fish or one just as large. He was quite successful and landed a big one. After building a stone dam around him, and after a hard fight, placing a halter around it's gills and attaching the Ford on the other end, we had little trouble in hoisting him out and he tipped the scales at 62 pounds. He was a very beautiful specimen and we cut steaks off him for two days and threw the remainder of the carcass to the dogs.

After we had fished the Cedar river for some time, and finding so many fishermen on the stream, we decided that we would work the Corkscrew river the next day, so on the following day, after a fine night's rest and one of Shiek's fine breakfasts, we cranked up the old Ford and in a short time were snapping the ever ready angle worm out into the rippling waters of the Corkscrew. We found much better fishing on this creek and were greatly rewarded at the end of the days fishing. Of course we quit when we got our limit. We did a little lake fishing and it was necessary to get out bait out into deep water, without the use of a boat. In teaching Charlie to cast the bobber and bait out into the deeper waters, we had quite a time. Charlie grasped the idea quickly and was endeavoring to land his bait into a possible fishing area, but while in mid-air the line became back-lashed and the bobber returned with great velocity and knocked poor Charlie out for the count. No fish were caught on the Lake. We returned to the cottage and decided to wash up and get ready for a meal; so we all went down to the Pier and prepared to wash our hands and faces. Jerry was at the end of the dock and for some reason the one nearest the short fell against the next one, and, like pins in the bowling alley, each succeeding fisherman was put off his balance, the result being that Jerry went in for the count. If he only would have hung onto the Ivory soap he might have been saved but he was very much immersed in the cool waters of the Lake.

When we awoke the next morning at five thirty, we heard a peculiar noise, it was the cook callin' in a shrill feminine voice 'Chick Chick—Chick Come chick chick chick.' BANG! went the kitchen door, and in walks the Cook with two of the finest specimens of chickens you have ever seen. Well, come to find out Shiek had coaxed the neighbors' flock to the back door with some corn flakes and had succeeded in capturing two of them. Well, we soon left for the creek again so we locked up the chickens in the parlor to lay some eggs, but when we got back the thoughtful neighbor had released his fowls from their hiding place, and nothing was said. He bade us good bye when we left and wished us good luck and to be sure and come again. It was quite necessary at different

times to cross the stream in order to reach the desired spot for trout. One time I remember well when Roge with his sixteen inch boots came tripping across what he supposed to be a shallow spot in the creek, but just before taking the final step he seemed to pass right out of the picture and only the part in his hair showed above the ripple of the water.

With little trouble we were able to get Roge out of the sink hole, and lucky enough because soon after a mammoth trout went dashing down the stream with fangs barred and fins vibrating. In a wild chase we tried to overtake the trout, but soon lost in the many turns of the Creek. When one is fishing in the northern wild parts of the State one must be on the lookout for more dangerous things than fish. Bears, wolves, and lynx frequently are seen along the creek, howling and screeching as if some invader was entering in upon their land. Snakes were quite numerous, and Shiek was chased by one, which was a ferocious reptile of six feet in length, and a slippery green-purplish color with yellow dots, went skimming over the ground at the acceleration of a Packard Straight eight, but George kept a good lead, but was somewhat handicapped with the sand that dipped into his vest pockets. George said that he had seen numerous reptiles of the Rattling specie, and said he was quite sure he saw some baby rattlers for one was playing with his rattle as he went by.

This description may seem quite exaggerated in parts but is all fact and, if further proof is needed, take a trip to the Corkscrew river and see for yourself.

### Musings of a Stag as Friday Evening Rolls Around

A few years ago someone murmured that our civilization was measured by the esteem with which we hold our women. I say he murmured it, for we have heard nothing of him since. He was something like the little boy who was watching the circus parade. Suddenly he said: "Ma! Ma! Here come the elephants." Then he got scared out and dodged behind his mother's apron, and we have heard nothing of him since.

Now in my career as a bachelor I have made a very careful study of these creatures, (from a distance of course.) I have found that the last to be created is not the last to be reckoned with. And I have also drawn the conclusion that the least is not the least after all. For boys mark me, where women are concerned size cuts no figure.

It is just probable that we can study these things from a distance and never have any harm come to us. Or we might even feed them peanuts and candy, being careful not to allow them to wrap their long tentacles about us. But as Friday night rolls around I think that there is just the possibility that that guy might have spoken a spark of truth after all.

And yet I remember once when Pa asked Ma to sew a button on his trousers. She said, "S'pose there weren't any women in the world, who would sew buttons on your old pants then?"

Pa looked sheepish for a minute and then brightened up, "Why," he said, "If there weren't any women . . ." You can guess the rest of his answer, for he sure scored a good one.

And now there you are. These women are all right in a way and then again they are not. They show us how to tie neckties, but if they were on some other planet we wouldn't have to wear them.

Oh! Well. I guess I'll call up and see if I can't get a date any way. Maybe they are all right after all. Frank Bentley.

### Rain Forces Tracksters To Delay C.M.N.S. Meet

Due to the heavy rains which fell intermittently last Saturday forenoon, the Track Meet with Mt. Pleasant was cancelled. The coaches judgment was fair enough for the local showers continued throughout the afternoon.

The Meet will be held in the near future, and meanwhile the men will continue to condition themselves for the games at Hillsdale, when the Michigan Association Colleges gather for the Track and Field, Baseball and Tennis Finals. This "big carnival" will be held June 5th and 6th.

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## The Other Half

"Half of the world does not know how the other half lives!" I intend to write about the other half. Permit me to introduce a custom that I hope will become general. That is, I shall confine my article to the subject to be presented. In interpreting the title I shall understand—not because of lack of knowledge, but because of caprice of will—the other half to mean Woman, Man's—now that they have the ballot—superior half.

It was back in the dim and distant past when America was yet the home of the mastodon, the saber-toothed tiger, the petroductyle, and various "din-noss-ers" that woman took up her home in the Garden of Eden. It was there that man lived. She came to him. He wooed her and she won him. It was there in the Garden of Peace that he married her. Is it not a strange thing that this should have suggested to Milton his "Paradise Lost?"

It is beyond question that woman is different than man. Most of us are aware of the physical differences, but not all have discovered the mental differences. Her reasoning processes are at once logical and illogical, and acute according to the topic at hand. Her reasoning is intricate and knit up with her past social environment. In wit, in judgement, and in love her acumen and her lack of it stands out in sharp contrast to man's.

Imagine, if you will, a scene from the past. A scene from the primer of woman's school. It was back in the Stone Age. There was a cave. Behind it rose a wooded hill where the forest and the wilderness being in front of the cave was a sandy beach. Beyond this rolled the Ocean Eternal. At the door of the cave stood four or five red-headed children. Enter into the opening, Mr. Stone. You picture him to yourself: tall, muscular, frouselled hair, bushy eyebrows, protruding jaw, his body wrapped in a leopard's skin. The roar of a lion echoed in the near-by forest. He enters the cave. Out he comes. Anger flushes his face. He grabs Mrs. Stone by the arm. It hurts. "Where is my big stone hammer?" he grumbles, glowering down on her.

She knows very well that she broke it trying to break a branch for the fire. She fears a beating. His grip tightens. "Young Hail took it to kill a rabbit," she lied.

The man then grabs Hail by the hair and starts rough treatment. "Don't!" she cries. "He is so young and tender. He didn't understand. He only tried to do what he saw his brave, strong father do. You will soon be able to make a new one better than the old."

Thus she saved herself and her son and won a hug from big Stone himself. By these same tactics she lives today, reasoning from a philosophy born of necessity and fear. Thus she has won the ballot. Thus she controls—her men and wins the baubles of which she is so fond.

Man has always selected the domicile and the fields he would control. He has always killed the game, protected the home, and apparently ruled it, and woman's judgement as a result.

Woman in love is the most unguessable riddle nature has given man to solve. If you show affection you're too fast. If you don't, you're too slow. If you don't have a car, you are lonely. If you do have a car, they would just as soon go with you, they say, if you didn't have it. They don't want to get married, yet if they get left, nature has been unkind to them. "It isn't right," declared an unmarried girl to her widow neighbor who had just cremated her fourth husband. "I can't get a man and you have them to burn!"

They want a man they can idealize; one they can not understand; one who thrills them; one who is masterful, yet one who lets them have their own way. To be sure, they must have special privileges. Eve, in the Garden of Eden, because she could find no man but Adam, took to flirting with the Devil. We must remember that Eve was made from a rib, man's crookedest part. Yet, it is the part nearest his heart.

We can truly say, with Shakespeare:

"I hold you as a thing enshrined and sainted,

By your renouncement, an immortal spirit;

And to be talked with in sincerity, As with a saint."

Woman is, after all, a mystery. It has been well said that she is the greatest conundrum of the Twentieth Century, but even if we cannot guess her, we will not give her up.

Carl Wood.

He saw her step down from a car, And up to her he sped.

"May I not help you to alight?"

"I do not smoke." She said.

E. L.

## BIG TRACK MEET COMING TO GRAND RAPIDS

Grand Rapids, Mich., May 9, 1925. Western Michigan Athletes, College and Normal School, High School, Industrial and Civic, will have their big inning on Saturday, June 13th, at the Second Annual Western Michigan-Comstock Park, Grand Rapids, when Grand Track and Field Championships will be held under the direction of Athletic Directors, Coaches Dr. J. W. Page and Monty Beard of the "Y." Last year, the event was held for the first time under the title of the Grand Rapids Track and Field Championships. Over four hundred athletes participated.

Over one hundred and fifty invitations have been sent to local high schools, schools in seven counties adjacent to Kent County, Colleges, Normal Schools, Industrial Plants and Civic Organizations. Entries have been classified into four divisions as follows: The Western Michigan open championship, the high school relay division for boys and girls, the grammar school division, the industrial group and civic division.

High schools throughout the western section of the state, colleges and normal schools such as Kalamazoo College, Western State Normal, Michigan State College, Hope, Central State, Alma, Ferris, Calvin and Grand Rapids Junior College are eligible to enter the open championship division and the college relays. **Factory and Civic Organizations to Enter**

Grand Rapids and Western Michigan industries are expected to have a large entry list in the industrial division. Over 60 invitations have been sent to diversified industries in this section of the state.

Division IV will include such civic organizations, such as Postal Employees, City and County employees, members of the National Guard, Naval Reserve, Police Department, Fire Department.

The following well known men will be in charge as officials: "Pop" Churm, South High School; Martine Daane; Heine Lightner, City Recreational Director; Robert Teele, former director of city recreation; Captain Wesley Wren, National Guards; Lucretia E. D. Burson, Naval Reserves; Sergt. Mallory Kincaid, Police and Fire Departments; Hugh Blacklock, former Michigan State College star and Paul Goebel, captain of the 1922 University of Michigan football team.

## CAMPUSOLOGY

"A Couple Below Par." With the Golfers.

Sty—Why do chinamen make good drivers in golf?

Mic—Because their strong on the "tee."

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On The Seventh Tee

If my mashie shot had been right on that last hole, I'd have made a hole-in-one.

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146th Annual Appearance

Manigold—What score did you make this afternoon?

Clifford—Well, I got an eight on the first hole and a twelve on the second, and then I went all to pieces.

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A Communication

Dere Editor, What is the first thing to do when playing a ball out of the creek?

Yours, A Novice.

Dear Novice, Take off your clothes. Signed, Editor.

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Fore!

LoReta—If I come out to watch you play golf, where is the safest play to stand?

Erwin—In the Fairway. (N. B. Erwin must play a "rough" game.)

Recent Headline

President Warriner on "How Mt. Pleasant is Run."

We understand from Red Carty and other athletes that at times it is run ragged.

There seems to be an immediate need for either more tennis courts or fewer tournaments. (By the way, how about new wire on the backstops?)

He—Is your Mother still washing for Mrs. O'Brien?

She—(Indignantly) My Mother never washed in her life.

He—Oh! The dirty old lady. E. L.

Lives of Seniors oft remind us We should strive to do our best. And departing, leaving behind us Notebooks that will help the rest. E. L.

He—Your eyes are like the moon. She—How's that?

He—There's a man in them. E. L.

## The Preservation of Culture in the Monastery During the Middle Ages

"But let my due feet never fail To walk the studious cloister's pale."

As the Ann-A Burboris Caravan

painfully crept through Almashire, little did Brother Benedict dream of the restful citadel of learning that he was approaching. Walking up the cobbled highway, there Castle Oppression frowned through the budding trees, with the lesser habitats of learning clustered about it; Castle Beautiful, where the feminine flowers clothed in their regal silks and satins led their sedate and stately lives, living in sympathetic and loving companionship with their prim matrons. The lair of the Scotch Laird, Castle Athletic, with its magnificent stadium, loomed against the western sky.

In a shady nook, where the sun was wont to sift through the gnarled herbage, stood a building, the Monastery, the home of the goodly Almanian Monks. Even and anon the motley horde would stop in their labors to list to the noises that emitted from its spacious grandeur at all times of the day. Yea, even at midnight, the sounds of studious revelry belched forth from its stern walls. Little they knew that there rested the destiny of their small world; there ponderous minds strained and struggled far into the starry night to solve the problems that were ever facing the peasantry; that the bourgeoisie knew existed but were powerless to solve.

While these devout men seemed to live a selfish existence in their restful recluse, far above the jostling mob, yet, in reality, they were responsible for every good and noble movement in Almashire; here the men of every Guild worked and slaved for the common good of oppressed humanity. In the Castle Oppression, where they labored day by day, these Monks contributed the greater part of the culture of the Medieval Ages. In matters of routine where diligence and painful perseverance were necessary, they set an example that all aspired to; a goal to those who found themselves totally lacking in the characteristics that mark all Caesars of leadership, and Aristotles of scholarship. Exemplary conduct in the halls of the Castle of Oppression made them marked men; men who stood for deep thought; men who towered above all the rest, giants of mental aptitude. All is not in vain, though they labor and the crowd recognizes it not; they have that satisfaction born of a sense of service for their fellow men.

Not alone in Castle Oppression is their influence found. There is not a joust, a tournament, or a contest of skill takes place at Castle Athletic, but that those men, with characters well rounded, are not on the side lines urging the participants on, ever standing for clean sportsmanship, giving all that man may see that a defeat may be a victory.

Strange as it may seem, the Monks have cast their influence over another field: Castle Beautiful has not withstood the subtle power cast upon them. As the clouds hang over the earth, so does their influence hang over this castle. Social revelry is regulated by it, even over the inhabitants' idle chatter there broods this ever powerful spirit. Through all these Middle Ages, diners have been wont to all eat from the same leg of mutton, passed promiscuously around the table. The Monks have ever abhorred this system, some even refusing to eat in a place where such a practice is exercised. But still, the crowd does not realize that their statements are pregnant with truth; they do not realize that gluttony has caused the downfall of many a civilization.

Thus the Monks influence the life of all Almashire, in work, recreation, and pleasure. There within the grey walls the Monks labor, their brains ever responsive to the great problems that confront mankind, dreaming of a future when all men may realize the value of deep thought, of the time when all may labor towards the same goal of mental greatness. Think you not that they are deserving of praise? Yet they receive none! They labor on night and day, asking nothing, only that they may be allowed to give to their little world the things that are worthy and good.

Fat MacDougall Deek Closser

The program for Commencement Week is at present under construction in the office of the Registrar, and the Almanian will undoubtedly have it next week.

Fill-Ins

He—I wonder why "True Stories" and "Confessions" are all double spaced.

She—Well, you see there is so much between the lines.

A new synonym for Publicity—Suspension.

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