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## OPEN MIAA SEASON SATURDAY

### STAGE READY FOR J-HOP SATURDAY

**Juniors Make Final Preparations For Big Social Event of Year.**

With the J Hop only four days away, final arrangements are fast being completed for what is promised to be the biggest social event of the college year. Laverne Bixby, general chairman in charge of the party, confidently expects a hundred couples to gather in the Memorial gymnasium Saturday evening. Already many alumni have signified their intentions of returning for the party. With the added attractions of the opening M. I. A. A. baseball game in the afternoon, and the stag banquets of the men's societies preceding the dance, many more former students and friends are expected to be here.

The music committee composed of Kent MacGregor and Charles Schaffer has engaged one of Johnnie Russo's units of Chicago. The music promises to satisfy everyone. Russo's orchestras have established a reputation in the field of dance music.

The programs and favors have been selected by Romaine G. Hogan and MacFowler. The two young men assert positively that they will provide attractive and entertaining favors. A number of floor favors will be on hand to add to the enjoyment and festivity of the occasion.

Decorations are in charge of Russel Neuman, Russel Riley, Pierce Boutin, Lee Crooks, and Bruce Knowles. The committee will be engaged from Wednesday until Saturday of this week decorating the gym and getting it in shape for the event of Saturday evening. A novel scheme of decorations has been worked out. The gym will be entirely covered with extensive decorations in black and white.

Other committees are:  
Finance—Ed McKinnon and Russel Neuman  
Refreshments—Lucille Wolfe, Helen Benson, and Marie McCoy.  
Publicity—Jack Thoma.

### Schedule Announced For College Netmen

Professor Clack announces one of the best tennis schedules Alma net men have ever had arranged for the coming season. The pyramid tournament has been somewhat held up by the unsettled weather, but the men who will represent the college this year will soon be selected. The first matches will be played with Hope College next Saturday.

Following is the complete schedule:

- April 30—Hope at Alma. 2 singles, 1 doubles
- May 3—Central Normal at Alma. 4 singles, 2 doubles
- May 10—Alma at Mt. Pleasant. 4 singles, 2 doubles
- May 14—Open
- May 21-22—Invitation meet at Western State Normal. 2 singles, 1 doubles
- May 27—Olivet at Alma. 2 singles, 1 doubles
- June 3-4—M. I. A. A. Meet at Albion. 2 singles, 1 doubles
- June 7—Central Normal at Alma. 4 singles, 2 doubles

### ALUMNUS' MOTHER DIES

Members of the faculty and student body of the college will be very sorry to hear of the death of the mother of Mlle. Andree Pratoicy, a graduate of the class of 1921. Mlle. Andree Pratoicy is now secretary of the Franco-American Association in Paris.

A Moor considers it a sin to cut bread with a knife, declaring that hands were given for that purpose.

### Clisbe Music House Damaged by Fire Sat.

The Clisbe Music House suffered a small chimney fire shortly after noon Saturday. The prompt work of the local fire department kept the flames from spreading to other parts of the roof, and soon had the small blaze out. The pianos in the music house were covered with rugs so that they were in no way damaged by the water. The amount of the damage was very small. Bill Randels first noticed the fire and turned in the alarm. It was very fortunate that the fire was noticed before it had any chance to increase to dangerous proportions.

### CLOSE GAME LOST TO MT. PLEASANT

**Game Goes Two Extra Innings Before 1-1 Tie is Broken by Central.**

For the cold winter weather the Alma-Mt. Pleasant game at Mt. Pleasant last Friday was a real exhibition of the great American game. Both teams played a tight ball most of the time. The score 2-1, testifies to the closeness of the playing. The game was scheduled to be a seven inning affair. But it went nine innings before Mt. Pleasant was able to break the 1-1 tie, and emerge on top of the heap. LeBlanc led the Alma hitting, getting three, one scoring Colen for the sole Alma score. Hawthorne, Holpship and Kippert each got one hit.

Bill Yegeman pitched very good ball, as did Bennet of the Normal. Hutchinson of Central figured largely in the play of his team. LeBlanc and Kippert did some fine work on the Alma side.

	AB	R	H	E
ALMA				
LeBlanc, lf	5	0	3	0
Gaelor, 2b	4	0	0	1
Hawthorne, cf	3	0	1	0
Holdship, 1b	4	0	1	0
Kippert, 3b	4	0	1	0
Dawson, rf	4	0	0	0
Tiderington, ss	4	0	0	0
Conlen, c	2	1	0	1
Yegeman, p	4	0	0	0
MT. PLEASANT				
Hanson, ss	4	0	0	0
Pulkner, 2b	3	0	0	0
Newell, lf	3	0	1	0
Hutchinson, c	4	1	2	0
Lewis, 1b	3	0	1	1
Butler, cf	4	0	2	0
Knapp, rf	3	1	1	0
Milano, 3b	3	0	1	1
Bennet, p	3	0	0	0

Summary—  
Bases on balls—Yegeman 4, Bennet 7. Double play—Hawthorne and Gaelor. Two base hits—Hawthorne, Knapp. Strike outs—Yegeman 2, Bennet 6. Left on bases—Alma, 13; Mt. Pleasant, 9. Umpire, Bull Green.

### Professor Cook Writes of Interesting Experiences of Recent Southern Trip

In a recent letter to Mr. Babcock of the Alma Record, Professor Cook recounts many interesting experiences he and his wife are enjoying on their vacation trip. The letter is from Washington, D. C., where Professor and Mrs. Cook are visiting. They expect to arrive back in Alma about the first of June. Parts of the letter are reprinted below:

"While in DeLand we visited the celebrated springs to be seen near there. The DeLeon spring north of DeLand is typical of several which we saw. The water rises in a basin walled about with a stonewall and part of the water was used in the days of the Spanish occupation of Florida to turn a large undershot water wheel with which the Spaniards drove the machinery to extract

### JUDGE JAYNE IS CHAPEL SPEAKER

**Judge of the Wayne County Circuit Court Interests Students.**

Judge Ira Jayne, of the Wayne County Circuit Court, spoke before the student body in the chapel last Wednesday morning. Judge Jayne was at one time in the teaching profession in Kentucky. Coming to Detroit he headed the recreational department of the city for some time. In this field he obtained a great deal of first hand information regarding the use of leisure time. As a judge Mr. Jayne has obtained prominence as an expert in domestic relations.

The speaker interestingly portrayed life as it is seen from the judge's bench. He likened his everyday routine to a cross section of life which in truth it is. Day by day the judge listens to cases of people who have broken the law in some respect. After such experience, Judge Jayne claims that people only run foul of the law and do something they should not do in their leisure time. He made the sweeping statement that never had any person broken the law while sleeping, eating, or during working hours. The whole problem of crime prevention and crime control, is fundamentally a problem of getting people to use their leisure time correctly. In previous times people had very little leisure. From sunrise to sunset was the working day. Most of the remaining time was spent in eating and sleeping. But with the modern short working day, leisure time presents a real problem.

Branching into his special field, domestic relations, Judge Jaynes spoke of some of the problems rising in this respect in modern life. He stated that out of every three marriages of the present time, one ends in the divorce courts. Mr. Jaynes went on to explain how such a condition had grown up. Formerly the home was the center of life, both economically and socially. Economically women were dependent on the men. Divorce was unusual because the divorced woman had no place to go except to become financially dependent on some relative. Once married, the people stayed married. And socially, women could not go any place without the male escort. In the day of our parents it would have been exceedingly improper for any woman, married or not, to appear in a public place unescorted. But the exact opposite is true today. Women commonly go any where in public unattended, and nothing is thought of it.

Judge Jayne said these conditions were responsible, mainly, for the greatly increased number of divorces. If a woman becomes tired of her wedded state, she can usually

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### Commencement Speaker Named

From the college office comes the information that the commencement address this year will be delivered by The Rev. Hugh T. Kerr, D. D., LL.D., pastor of the Shadyside Presbyterian Church, Pittsburg, Pennsylvania. Dr. Kerr is President of the Board of Christian Education of the Presbyterian Church. This last winter he made an extended trip to the Orient, and was for many months in China and other lands in the Far East. He is a most effective speaker and is in touch with national and international problems.

### "THE ENEMY" TO BE GIVEN SOON

**Drama Club Will Present Recent Play at the Strand in a Few Weeks.**

Almost immediately following the successful production of three one act plays in the college chapel by The Alma College Drama Club, comes the announcement that this organization will produce "The Enemy" by Channing Pollock at the Strand Theater, May 25th.

The play will be produced under the direction of Earl Closser, with Alma Gilbert as his assistant. At try-outs the following cast was picked:

- Carl Behrend—Earl Closser
- Pauli Arndt—Mary McCoy
- Baruska—Ruth Hyde
- Bruce Gordon—Richard Crowell
- August Behrend—Argyle Campbell

- Jan—Alpha Musson
- Dr. Arndt—John Erskine
- Mizzi Winkelman—Mary Burt
- Fritz Winkelman—Louis Nickels

Immediately after this cast was picked the play went into rehearsals and the first act is already in shape. This is indeed a difficult undertaking, because "The Enemy" is really a heavy piece to do. It is a new play, only having been released for amateur production since January 1st of this year. Channing Pollock, the writer of this play, and well known for his play "The Fool" has done a remarkable piece of work, and critics say that "The Enemy" is one of the most powerful plays written in the past few years.

The Drama Club is to be complimented on their attempt to produce a thoroughly worth while play. "The Enemy" is a great play, of the sort that is discussed weeks after it has been seen. Plays that have been produced in Alma for the past few years have been of the comedy type, and it is our opinion that there are a great many people in the college and in the city of Alma who would

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### HOPE IS ALMA'S FIRST OPPONENT

**Good Game Expected for League Opener at Davis Field Saturday.**

Coach Campbell's Alma College Baseball team will open the 1927 season when they meet Hope on Davis Field next Saturday afternoon. Not a great deal is known of the type of squad Hope will bring to face Alma on the local diamond. This is Hope's first year in the M. I. A. A. and they will be new opponents for Alma. However Hope can be trusted to have a nine that will fight all the way through, and Alma can expect plenty of opposition. Coach Campbell's men recently made a good showing against Western State Normal at Kalamazoo.

Alma now has the advantage of a number of preliminary games. But the weather has been so cold for baseball that fans have been unable to ascertain how the team will look in real baseball weather. All of the games so far have been played under the disadvantage of cold and rainy weather.

Alma's fielding work looked good, however, against Mt. Pleasant last Friday. In spite of the bad conditions the team played good ball, only two errors being chalked up against the team. The out fielding was very good, Frenchy LeBlanc showing up especially good in left field. Frenchy is also a good hitter, getting three safe hits in this game. In the infield Kippert on third base looks very good. Not many get by the little third baseman. Two good men are available for the short stop position, Wagner and Tiderington. Both are good men, playing the position about equally well. Nat Gaelor is playing a good game at second. He will probably start in this position Saturday. Red Holdship will hold down first base. All of these men are good throwers, making a speedy infield.

Conlin has been doing a nice job behind the plate. The pitching material looks very good. Yegeman turned in a fine performance against Mt. Pleasant. He is favored to start Saturday, Jimmy Abough and Jake Westfall pitched nice ball against the Alma Independents last Saturday.

Although winning over the Independents Alma was guilty of a number of errors. But these can be attributed to the cold weather, nearly every man of the team was suffering with a sore arm after the strain of the game the day before at Mt. Pleasant. With warm weather this week most of the loose playing will probably be eliminated.

The Alma squad has played a high type of ball in these early games. Fans can be assured that the team will make a fine showing Saturday in the first association contest.

### Maroon and Cream Goes to Press

Last Saturday the first type was set for the 1927 Maroon and Cream. The printing is being done by the Alma Record, thus allowing the staff to watch the work as it progresses.

The Record has installed a new high speed press, on which the annual will be run. With this piece of equipment, delivery of the completed book is set for May 23rd.

Nothing need be said regarding the quality of the annual. The various new features embodied in the book will very likely make it the finest as well as the most complete annual ever published at Alma.

The circulation of this year's Maroon and Cream is larger than any former year. The circulation manager would appreciate your payment of the balance of your subscription as soon as possible as this will avoid any possibility of delaying the delivery of our copy.

## DON'T FORGET THE J HOP SATURDAY

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**PICKING A LIFE JOB**

In his recent writing Roger W. Babson has been treating the problem of selecting the right vocation. He remarks that it is extremely important to get boys into the vocation for which they are best fitted, and therefore may be expected to derive the greatest amount of enjoyment and success. To facilitate this Mr. Babson gives five groups under which the boy has to come. His groups are:

1. Professional group, including law, medicine, journalism, art, education, church, and civic work.
2. Agricultural group, including farming, forestry, horticulture, etc.
3. Construction group, including building, contracting, mining, etc.
4. Manufacturing groups, including all kinds of mechanical work.
5. Merchandising group, including banking, insurance, wholesaling, retailing, advertising, and canvassing.

This problem is surely something for college men and women to think about, even more so than non college people. The fellows who cannot go on to school, or who may not care to, usually go to work early. Undoubtedly they often accept work they do not particularly like because it is the first offered them, it may be it is all they can get to do. So it may be that such a person might find it very hard to do just what he wanted to do, although there is usually a certain amount of freedom available in American life.

But it is the college men and women who have the really fine opportunity of doing what they want to with their lives. It is their privilege to choose the field of their life endeavors, and then go about fitting themselves so that they may be able to do that work.

Students should start to think about this problem back in their high school days. And most of our modern high schools have courses in vocational training to stimulate the student to think about his life after school, and what he wants to do with it. For instance, if a fellow decides in high school that he wants a training in law, he can take subjects in his college preparatory course which will fit him better to succeed in his work at the law school. He can then build his foundation.

But we do altogether too little of such planning. Our lives are too hit or miss. We go to college, take the easiest courses, and finally get a degree, if lucky. But far too many of our college graduates are literally at the end of their rope when this time comes. They haven't thought seriously about the years after school. They find themselves out of college, and no place for them in the world. Why not? Because the world seldom makes a place for you, it must be made by effort. The student who has worked faithfully, toward one aim while in school, rarely fails to attain it. The man who is prepared and worthy of a position, never fails to find it. The world can always use such as he. A field may be ever so crowded, but there is always plenty of room at the head of it. Leaders are scarce.

Many students who thus drop out of school might go on to graduate schools for special study in some field. Too few students think of this alternative. Others, who drift into some job that offers itself, are probably far from doing what they would enjoy and succeed in. Thus we have dissatisfied lives.

The moral of all this is—decide where you are going, and then get on a through road and stick to it.

**Hamilton and Singers Visit Saginaw Schools**

Professor Hamilton and the college quartette made a trip to Saginaw last week to advertise Alma College before the high school students of that city. The team put on their work before the college chapel when they returned to show the students the type of work presented to high school students. Professor Hamilton, aided by Les Hawthorne, very cleverly imitated a dog exhibiting scene they had witnessed while in Saginaw. He then briefly outlined his talk, and gave way to the college quartette, composed of Hawthorne, Stapleton, Boyd and Barlow.

Contrary to popular belief traffic on the Mississippi River has doubled in volume in the past forty years.

**Senior Table is to Be Dedicated at Fulcher's**

Yes Sir, that's my table. So the old refrain goes on and ye old grads come and go and still remains the Senior table. Shades of old Nassu and all the rest, the Michigan Union and Jimmie Mitchell included. The boys who eat down at "Dad" Fulcher's restaurant occasionally get an idea. You know the old oaken table, the grub stained table down near the piano where Skin Frazer plays that "Old Girl of Mine." Well, sir, Hogan got full of toast and coffee and is going to make that a Senior table. The heading, carved across the center of the table, will be Seniors, engraved in Maroon and Cream. Under this each senior will have the privilege of carving his or her name and class numeral. In the event of a campus couple, say Ev and Hannah or Jo and Mary, Ev would carve his name on this year (maybe) and Hannah next spring. Then Hogan would again step in and carve a heart around the two. Next year Fulcher's is to be a College Inn, if Hogan has his way. He learned how grub should be handled at Wright Hall and will now handle the food itself.

**Bad Weather Spoils Pre-Season Games**

The double head baseball fray between Alma and Mt. Pleasant, scheduled for last Tuesday, was rather called off by the rain. The game at Alma, between the Alma Varsity and the Normal Reserves only went two innings. Alma led by two runs, scored on timely hits and the errors of the visitors. Mt. Pleasant was held scoreless for the two innings.

The Reserves went up to Mt. Pleasant to appear against their varsity on Wednesday afternoon. The reserves played a nice game except for one inning when they blew up and gave the normal five runs. The final score of the seven inning game was 7-0. Westfall and Albaugh pitched nice games and Harry Tiderington showed up well at the catching job.

The line-up at Mt. Pleasant—  
Westfall—p Boutin—tb  
Albaugh—p Losey—lf  
Tidington—c Leiphan—cf  
Moco—b Erickson—rf  
Golden—sb Knapp—rf  
Wagner—ss

**Frosh Are Leading Annual Track Meet**

The Frosh seem to have the annual track meet cinched, as far as it has been completed. The other events will be finished early this week.

Following is the record of the meet to date:  
120 yd. high hurdles—Veeder, Seig 21.3  
Pole Vault—Conlen, Thielman, Kippert 9.6  
100 yd. dash—Thielman, Waggonlander, Conlen 11  
Mile run—Knighen, Blandford, Goodenow 5.28  
440—Walters, Mann, Veeder 60.1  
High Jump—Walters, Blandford, Jones 5.2  
Discus—Conlen, Mueller, Holt 98.2  
Javelin—Seig, Hess, Goodenow 126.9  
Half mile—Fox, Pomeroy, Knighen 2.18  
Two mile—Knighen, Zimmerman, Goodenow 12.36  
Shot Put—Arczin, Holt, Bauer 32.5

At present the Frosh lead the Sophs 57-43. The frosh year men have a chance to come out on top yet, if they pile up enough points in the remaining events.

**LIBRARY NOTES**

President Coolidge has issued a proclamation designating the week of April 24-30th as American Forest Week. Alma College Library has an excellent collection on forestry and allied subjects. A few of these books and pamphlets have been placed on the charging desk for the week, and others may be seen if requested.

In the Christian Science Monitor for April 18th is an interesting article entitled "Mother Goose was a Boston woman who wrote jingles for family." Much worthwhile literature of a later date has originated in a similar manner. The same paper, April 20th issue, gives a delightful sketch of Mt. Holyoke's famous little dog "Dishmop," who is to have a lasting memorial erected in his honor.

A Pay Collection of books for use of any readers has been started at the college library thru the initiative of a friend of the college. The charge will be five cents for the first two days, and two cents per day for each successive day. There are now two titles available. If this effort proves a success, other books may be added. Enquire at the charging desk for the books.

**PROF. COOK WRITES OF INTERESTING EXPERIENCES**

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conferred is still standing but the house was burned down a few years ago. A suitable monument marks the place. The white oak tree where the officers horses were tied still stands but is nearly dead.

"At Petersburg we also visited the crater which marks the place where the coal miner soldiers under Major Pleasants dug a tunnel for 510 feet from the dug lines to a point thirty feet under the salient angle of the Confederate fortifications. Although the confederates had heard the noise of the digging the wily coal miner soldiers dug down deeply, to a depth of thirty feet and placed eight thousand pounds of black powder under the Confederate fortification and then one morning before day light there was made a hole thirty feet deep and ninety by one hundred feet across. History tells us that there followed one of the most disastrous battles in the war. Thousands died but the Union forces were defeated. Later Lee evacuated the position taking with him all the material which might be of service in future operations. This included even the damaged rifles and muskets. This place was practically forgotten until about 1925 when investigations finally revealed the tunnel much of which was filled with water and thus the timbering was still in good state of preservation. It was a wonderful bit of strategy. The sides of the crater have caved in so that now it is only about eighteen feet deep. Quite large trees have grown on the earthwork in the sixty three or more years since that memorable day.

"In Richmond we visited the Capitol and saw the room where Aaron Burr was tried for treason, also the first stove ever brought from England. It is a sort of three story affair. A fine equestrian statue of Washington stands in the grounds. Another statue made by Houdon of the great G. W. Stands in the rotunda of the Capital. A fine equestrian statue of Gen. Lee also stands in the western part of the city.

"Some parts of these southern cities are quite interesting if one does not mind narrow streets. St. George Street in St. Augustine is so narrow that two cars monopolize almost the entire space of the street, the space allotted to pedestrians being but a mere footpath."

"In Fredericksburg we saw the building where Pres. Jas. Monroe had his law office, and near it the old cemetery with its crumbling head stones none of which seem to be later than 1853. These stones seemed to reveal the fact that infant mortality ran very high in the early part of the nineteenth century. Near this law office was the stone block on which slaves were sold in the old days. Near that is the former home of Martha Washington, and not far away is Kenmore, the home of Washington's sister, Betty W. Lewis. The kindly custodian of Kenmore told us many interesting things about the house. The ceilings are beautifully decorated with fine figures wrought in plaster by French artists. The mantles were decorated with beautiful wood carvings said to have been done by the Hessians whom Washington had captured. I wonder if those expert wood-carvers from Hesse Cassell did not enjoy that work better than fighting for that obstinate King of England. Washington had interested himself very much in the building of Kenmore for his only sister Betty. Her husband, Col. Lewis, was of great assistance to the Americans as he furnished the arms and ammunition. It is said that he used all of his own money, then mortgaged his home for \$200,000 and since at the close of the Revolutionary war the government was as poor as others, Lewis was never reimbursed and finally the home was sold to satisfy the mortgage. The furniture was sold and the building suffered much abuse until a Mr. Howard gained possession and tried to restore it to its original condition. At the present time only a writing desk is known to have belonged to Col. Lewis. This was found to be in the possession of a family in Minnesota who graciously permitted its restoration to the society which is striving to make the place a suitable memorial to Betty Washington Lewis. In seeking for funds to purchase the place the ladies in charge sought a gift from Col. Lewis, the machine gun maker. He sent a check for \$1000 with a note saying that he was not related to Col. Lewis of the early times, but was glad to give the money as Col. Lewis had made arms for the Revolutionary war and he had made them for the World war."

**CAMPUSOLOGY**

The Student Council and the Order of the Yellow Dogs seem to have become extinct.

New Scotch joke. Tarant spent Sunday afternoon in the public library reading the Sunday papers.

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## THOUGHTS MORE OR LESS LITERARY

Good mystery stories are scarce. Yet you may read in 'The Three Hostages' by Buchan that the process of manufacturing them is really quite simple. The author writes the story inductively and the reader follows it deductively. I want to write a shocker so I begin by fixing on one or two facts which have no sort of obvious connection . . . . . You invent a connection—simple enough if you have any imagination and weave all these into the yarn. The reader who knows nothing about these facts at the start is puzzled and intrigued, and if the story is well arranged, finally satisfied. He is well pleased with the ingenuity of the solution, for he doesn't realize that the author fixed upon the solution first, and then invented a problem to suit it. But it is even more difficult to find intriguing and skillfully written yarns about the supernatural, so I take great pleasure in introducing—

Ambrose Bierce was born in Meigs County, Ohio in 1842. At the outbreak of the Civil War he volunteered and was accepted as a drummer boy. After the war he spent a little time in London and then returned to California where he was a journalist and editor. In 1895 he came East, remaining there until 1916 when he traveled into Mexico. Since then nothing has been heard of him.

Bierce wrote considerable criticism and dissertations demonstrate his fearless ability to curse and crush things that displeased him, rather than any traits of genius. In the same spirit he attacked the foibles and vanities of the world in an outpouring of satiric verse and definitions. The latter were finally collected in a volume 'The Devil's Dictionary.' Mencken has said that it contains 'some of the most gorgeous witticisms in the English language,' and then he proceeded to write a few more which I fear, have not been properly received. At random I find in the Dictionary—

Felon—A person of greater enterprise than discretion, who in embracing an opportunity has formed an unfortunate attachment.

Guillotine—A machine which makes a Frenchman shrug his shoulders with good reason.

Impunity—Wealth.

Lecturer—One with his hand in your pocket, his tongue in your ear and his faith in your patience.

Peace—In international affairs, a period of cheating between two periods of fighting.

Respectability—The offspring of a liaison between a bald head and a bank account.

Witch—(1) An ugly and repulsive old woman, in a wicked league with the devil. (2) a beautiful and attractive young woman, in wickedness a league beyond the devil.

And his verse—

Ghost—The outward and visible sign of an inward fear.

He saw a ghost.  
It occupied—that dismal thing!—  
The path that he was following.  
Before he'd time to stop and fly,  
An earthquake trifled with the eye  
That saw a ghost.

He fell as fall the early good;  
Unmoved that awful vision stood.  
The stars that danced before his ken  
He wildly brushed away, and then  
He saw a post.

But in the field of the wierd short story Bierce stands second only to Poe. Take, for instance, 'The Damned Thing' which is included in the collection 'Can Such Things Be?' The story tells of a man who is brutally killed by a beast or animal that cannot be seen. Morgan Robertson has since used the same plot to a good advantage in a few of his sea stories.

Or, 'The Jug of Syrup,' wherein Silas Deemer, who had lived in his store for over twenty-five years, is allowed to return after death and sell two quarts of maple syrup to the village banker. On the next evening he was again seen at his desk behind the counter. The assembled crowd saw him and finally they 'rushed' the store only to find that it was empty.

Or, the extremely short sketch, 'One Summer Night' which relates that Henry Armstrong had been buried alive. He had awakened and then again fell asleep as he was too ill to reason or to act. Above, it was a dark, stormy, summer night. Two young students from a nearby medical school and a huge negro were digging in Armstrong's grave. Just as they opened the coffin a deafening clap of thunder sounded and the supposed corpse sat up. The three ran away, but Jess returned.

The next morning the students, still quaking from their experience the night before, discovered Jess in the dissecting room awaiting them.

"I'm waiting for my pay," he said. Stretched naked on a long table lay the body of Henry Armstrong the head defiled with blood and clay from a blow with a spade.

Yarns of this nature seldom become popular with the large reading public. Bierce answered the chief objection when he rather caustically remarked to one critic: "If it scares you to read that one imaginary person killed another, why not take up knitting instead of reading?" His stories of the Civil War rank with those of Stephen Crane. That is to say that they are masterpieces of realism. Bierce was a superb craftsman in constructing his stories. The inferior ones are far above the average of other authors and his best are little short of perfect. In fact he has been called the 'American Maupassant.'

Horace.

## CAMPUSOLOGY

Well, as soon as the girl's glee club gets back we suppose Judge MacDougall will be eating at Wright Hall again. What—haven't you heard about Judge and Marion?

Another one of the campus landmarks has passed—Jimmy Mitchell has a new Studebaker. We suppose that we can expect a new bicycle when A. P. returns.

Other years the Editor of the Almanian had a reporter on the girl's glee club trip, but this year Lewis writes and Les broadcasts.

Mr. Billy Andersen got a letter from—but that would be telling. This is Bill's new name. We suggest some others such as Doccy, Fatty, Crookie, or as Bee used to say Cecie, or as Peg said Chulkie. And we can't forget our great lover Jackie.

We've heard of putting XXX on the end of love letters, but here's a brand new one. The boy that women can't resist, Barlow, gets a special with lip marks on the end and a simple little line "Here's a kiss for you." Gertie, Homer will have to wear his knickers, or we wonder if he will change from bass to tenor in the quartette.

Dredvahl started out for Ionia, Sunday but remembered that "She Belongs to Somebody Else" and came back.

John William Hayden can hardly wait until Iky returns.

We're still waiting for Bill Pruyn to buy the cigars, or is he going to wait until he is mayor of Tecumseh?

We see that some of the girl's have thrown over their roller skates for a Packard.

Friday morning was another good argument against compulsory chapel.

Well, boys and girls, start hand-shaking, for spring elections will soon be here.

## "THE ENEMY" TO BE GIVEN SOON

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welcome a piece of work that would offer some food for thought. "The Enemy" is certainly a play of this type, and it is said to be so gripping that it effects audiences for days after seeing it.

The play is a plea for peace, which is a timely topic at the present time. It deals with the under currents of the World War, and presents these undercurrents from the viewpoint of Austria. The audience never sees groups of soldiers nor do they hear shots or explosions of any kind. One sees only the results of war in general, on the home life of the country, and the changes it makes in the hearts of men.

## JUDGE JAYNE IS CHAPEL SPEAKER

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sever the cords of matrimony, and be independent of her husband.

Mr. Jayne finished his address with an appeal to the youth of today to live up to their new responsibilities. Modern youth has many responsibilities and problems to face, and the future of the race depends on the ability of the youth of today to solve those problems, and bring back the home as the sacred center of all life.

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# COLLEGE DEFEATS ALMA CITY TEAM

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Seven costly errors, due mostly to the cold weather, nearly cost the Campbellites the game. The city players made two blunders that cost

them three runs. A neat double play, Kippert to Holdship back to Kippert averted a ninth inning rally by the city team after Smith had started out the innings with a two bagger.

The play by innings was: City—Smith drew a base on balls; Milano fanned; Smith scored when Wagner juggled Welhoelter's grounder, the latter being safe on first; Watson flied to Gaelor; Lockwood was safe on second when Wagner failed to get his grounder; Welhoelter was now on third, but Warner struck out. College—LeBlanc walked; Kippert was safe on first when Welhoelter dropped his fly, LeBlanc going to second; Hawthorne flied out to Welhoelter; Holdship drove a hard three bagger to left, scoring LeBlanc and Kippert; Boutin drove one between first and second, Kippert in trying to score was thrown out at the plate; Wagner struck out. Score: College 2, City 1.

### Second Inning

City—Albaugh tightened up and fanned Wellsby, Meredith and Dick in a row.

College—Gaelor hit to Dick who threw him out at first. Dick pitched airtight ball and fanned Conlon and Albaugh. No runs.

### Third Inning

City—Smith was safe when Kippert handled the ball too slow; Milano shot a grounder at Wagner and beat the ball to first, Smith reaching second safely; Welhoelter shot a hard one over first base and scored Smith; Watson got a hit just over second and bases were loaded; Lockwood sacrificed and Milano scored; Warner flied to the catcher; Wellsby was hit by pitcher. With bases loaded Meredith fanned. Two runs.

College—LeBlanc was out, Wellsby to Warner; Kippert drew a walk; Hawthorne flied to Wellsby and Holdship struck out. No runs.

### Fourth Inning

City—Kippert threw Dick out at first; Smith hit safely and drew up at first; Milano hit into a double play—Kippert to Holdship to Kippert.

College—Boutin flied out to Watson; Wagner hit to short who put him out at first; Gaelor drew a pass (you know Nate) and Conlon flied out to Watson. Watson made a pretty running catch in deep center. No runs.

### Fifth Inning

City—Welhoelter grounded to second who tossed him out at first; Wagner got Watson's shot at him and threw him out at first; Lockwood was also out at first by Kippert's throw. No runs.

College—Albaugh flied to Watson; LeBlanc was thrown out at first by Dick; Kippert drew a base on balls; Hawthorne flied to Warner. No runs.

### Sixth Inning

City—Wagner caught Warner's pop; Wellsby struck out; Meredith was safe on second by a hard drive over Kippert; Perry, pinch-hitting, flied out to Holdship. No runs.

College—Holdship drew a base on balls; Boutin fanned; Wagner hit safely and Holdship scored; Gaelor drew a pass; Wagner scored on Conlon's hit. Conlin and Albaugh were out on a double play. Two runs.

### Seventh Inning

City—Smith landed safely on first through juggling of the ball at short; Milano flied to Conlon; Welhoelter sacrificed; Watson was safe when Kippert juggled his hot one; Lockwood hit safely over second driving Smith and Watson in. Lockwood was out trying to stretch his hit. Two runs.

College—LeBlanc flied to Welhoelter; Kippert flied to catcher; a pinch hitter drew a base on balls; Holdship was hit by pitcher; Boutin hit a long fly over center scoring the pinch hitter and Holdship; Wagner flied to Wellsby. Two runs here tied the score again.

### Eighth Inning

City—Warner was out, short to first; Wellsby struck out and Meredith popped one to left field.

College—Gaelor drew a pass; Conlon drove one over first and Lockwood must have been petrified with the cold, muffing the ball around twice, Gaelor scoring and Conlon getting on third; Westfall flied to Watson; LeBlanc flied to Smith; Kippert fanned.

### Ninth Inning

City—Raske, who pitched from the seventh inning on, got a two bagger and Smith followed with another, scoring Raske; Milano sacrificed; Welhoelter fanned and Smith was out trying to steal third.

### Summary

	R	H	E
Alma City	10	20	002
College	2	0	002
Three base hits—Holdship; Two base hits—Smith, Raske, Boutin; Sacrifices—Lockwood, Welhoelter, Milano; Left on bases—City 5, College 4; bases on balls—off Dick 4, off Raske 4, off Albaugh 1; Hit by pitcher—by Raske one, by Albaugh one; Struck out—by Albaugh 7, by Westfall one, by Dick 5.			
Umpires—Fraser and McDonald.			
College	A	B	R
LeBlanc, lf	5	1	0
Kippert, 3b	4	1	0
Hawthorne, cf	4	1	0
Holdship, lb	4	2	1
Boutin, rf	4	0	2
Gaelor, 2b	4	1	0
Conlon, c	4	0	2
Albaugh, p	3	0	0
Westfall, p	1	0	0
Wagner, ss	4	1	1
Totals	37	7	4

	R	H	E
City	7	14	6
Smith, 2b	5	3	2
Milano, ss	5	1	0
Welhoelter, lf	4	0	1
Walson, cf	4	1	4
Lockwood, rf	4	0	1
Warner, lb	4	0	1
Wellsby, 3b	4	0	1
Meredith, c	4	0	1
Dick, p	2	0	0
Raske, p	1	1	0
Totals	33	6	6

**ALPHA THETA**  
The regular meeting of the Alpha Theta Literary society was called to order by its president, Marion Forrester. The thirty-eighth annual birthday of the society was celebrated. Roll call was answered by a wish for Alpha Theta. The program followed consisting of an impromptu "My First Impression of Alpha Theta" given by Rosemary Hudson, a vocal solo "A Little Brown Owl" by Ethel West, and a paper on Alpha Theta written by Mildred McConky was read by Elma Bishop. Miss Ward spoke on "Some Future Considerations for Alpha Theta" and Hannah Spencer gave a violin solo "Obertass." Two lamps were presented to the society as a gift from the junior and senior girls. Refreshments of ice-cream and cake were served.

A short business meeting followed and the following officers were elected for the spring term:  
President—Elma Bishop  
Vice president—Katherine Toiner  
Secretary—Kathleen Ellison  
Corr. Secretary—Elizabeth Sidebotham  
Treasurer—Marian Jenks  
Almanian reporter—Frances Colwell  
Guide—Gertrude Williams  
First Critic—Marian Forrester  
Second Critic—Hannah Spencer  
The meeting was adjourned.

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