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OPENING DEBATE FRIDAY EVENING

**Alma Affirmative Will Meet
Ypsi. Negative at Kazoo
Saturday.**

The Alma College debating teams will swing into their first action of the year this week end. The Affirmative team composed of Carrol Clark, Frank Prouty and Francis Angell will meet the Michigan State Normal team of Ypsilanti on the local platform Friday evening. The Alma Negative composed of Homer Barlow, Ross Mitchell, and Merrill Hendershott will debate the Western State Normal team at Kalamazoo Saturday evening.

The debate squad has been doing a great deal of reading on the subject of Mussolini's activities in Italy, and feel that they have their material well in hand. The proposition is worded, "Resolved, That this house endorses Mussolini's Governmental principles." It will be interesting to see how the teams will interpret it, and gain a common meeting ground for disputation. Everyone is interested in the career of the Iron Man of Italy, and it is expected that this fact will bring large crowds out to this year's contests.

Under the direction of Coach Spencer the debates are spending this week in polishing up their cases for presentation.

The debate of Friday evening with Michigan State Normal will be held in the college chapel and will begin at eight o'clock. Admission is free.

Hollister Speaks on Literature Wednesday

Professor R. D. Hollister of the public speaking department of the University of Michigan addressed the student body in the chapel Wednesday morning. He took as a topic the "Creative Interpretation of Literature." Professor Hollister spoke convincingly because of the width of knowledge he has obtained in the field of literature. He liberally sprinkled his sudden wit and humor through his more serious remarks. The student body greatly enjoyed hearing Professor Hollister and many favorable comments were heard concerning his address.

The gist of the address was that we must as individuals obtain a more personal relationship to literature before we can really appreciate it. Whether you get anything out of reading is dependent on your frame of mind in reading it, and your sympathy with the author's point of view. Professor Hollister also limited what he would call literature to that which "can be born again within our lives, minds, and imaginations."

Branching out the speaker spoke of the theatricality of life. Examples of this, he said, were women's high heels, the smoking of cigarettes, and the growing of mustaches. The address was well illustrated throughout with readings from various poets interpreting what the speaker remarked about literature.

Students Enter School For Second Semester

A number of new students have entered Alma this semester, and are registered for classes. They are listed following with their home addresses:

- Roy Kipert—Detroit
- Kenneth A. Moco—Detroit
- Harry Tiderington—Detroit
- Alfred Seng—Detroit
- Jack C. Leiphant—Detroit
- D. Hilda Cashmore—Wyandotte
- Ethyl Gertrude Deering—Monroe
- Fred S. Klerekoper—Clifton, N. J.
- Cecil Ellis—Alma (special)
- Ellen Alicia McEwen—St. Charles
- Donald Kinney—Royal Oak
- Three former students also returned to Alma:
- Lowell Veeder—Alma
- Earl Leighty—Joliet
- Naomi Drury—Alma
- Nathan Gaelor—Detroit

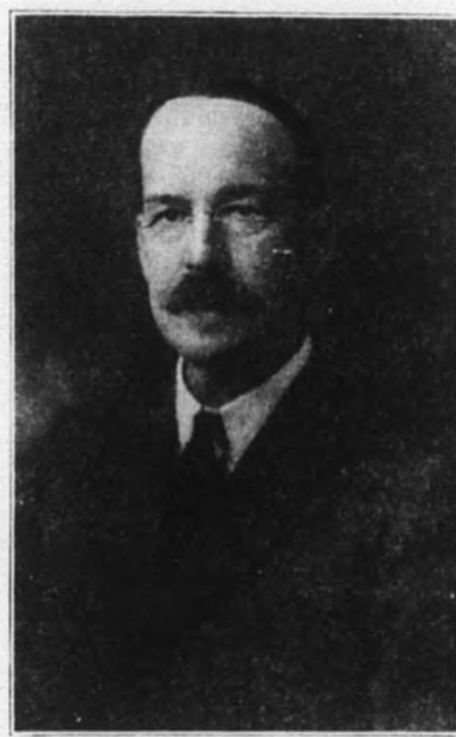
Will Represent the College at State Oratorical Contest to Be Held in March

Francis Angell emerged victorious in the men's oratorical contest held Thursday evening in the college chapel. Second place was awarded to Homer Barlow. The contest was exceedingly interesting throughout. That the competition for honors was keen is shown by the fact that both Mr. Barlow and Mr. Angell had the same percentage ranking in the opinion of the judges, but Angell had one more point to his credit. Miss Bishop, winner of the girl's contest, and Mr. Angell will represent Alma in the Michigan Oratorical League contest which will be held the first week of March at Olivet. In addition they win the literary oratory and debate letter, and the A pin awarded to winning competitors.

Mr. Angell won with his oration on "Law Observance." He stressed the fact that the great amount of present lawlessness in America is caused by but one percent of our population. He believes that the problem should be attacked by dealing with this one percent which causes so much disturbance and unrest. Mr. Angell has an easy stage manner which will appeal to the judges in the coming contest for state honors as it did to the judges of the contest last Thursday evening.

Speaking on the subject "A Nation on Trial" Homer Barlow ran the winner a close second. The orator defended America in her attitude in not mixing with European nations in schemes for a League of Nations. He charged that European nations are unfairly judging America for her attitude, in as much as they cannot look at the problem from a standpoint necessary in this hemisphere. America has established ideals which she would have to violate in order to

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ALBERT P. COOK, A. M.

COOK LEAVES ON VACATION TRIP

**Secretary-Treasurer of College
and Wife on Trip to
Florida.**

Professor and Mrs. A. P. Cook left Thursday for an extended tour of some of the Southern and Eastern states, planning on returning to Alma about the first of June. Leaving Alma they planned on driving by way of Toledo, Cincinnati, Lexington, Knoxville, Chattanooga, and Atlanta on down to Sarasota, Florida, which is located a short distance south of Tampa. They will visit there for some time. On their way back Professor Cook plans to see the Carolinas and Virginia, and visit with a daughter in Washington, D. C. From there they will go to Philadelphia, New York, and Boston, spending a few days in each city. Coming from Boston they will drive through the Green and White mountains making Cleveland their destination. As Cleveland is close to Professor Cook's boyhood home the opportunity will be taken to visit the old familiar scenes again.

Professor Cook has been with Alma College for a quarter of a century, this being his twenty-fifth year. Much of this time he has acted as Secretary and Acting Treasurer. While he is on his vacation the college office will be in charge of Mr. Chester Robinson.

Phi to Stage Annual Party Saturday Night

The members of the Phi Phi Alpha Society will hold their annual Lincoln Dinner Party at the Park Hotel in St. Louis on the evening of February 12th. Plans for the party are rapidly being completed under the directions of the following committee chairmen.

- Supervision and Finance—Frank Prouty and John Anderson
- Favors—Wilmot Pruyne
- Music—Paul Bennet
- Arrangements—Argyl Campbell
- Dates—Richard Crowell
- Invitations—George Boyd
- Program—Russel Neuman

Students Complete College Courses

Two Alma College students completed their work for their degrees and left school at the end of the past semester. They are Mrs. Viola Perdue and Miss Gertrude Sutton. They will return in June to receive their degrees with the students graduating at that time.

Mrs. Perdue majored in French and Economics. She has accepted a position in the Alma Public Schools for the remainder of the year. Miss Sutton specialized in Biology and Chemistry.

Miss Elma Bishop won the women's oratorical contest which was held in the college chapel last Wednesday evening. Her oration was entitled "The Prophet." Miss Mary K. Burt, with her oration "Broken Swords," took second honors. The contest was very interesting, all the orations presented were well handled, and showed striking originality of thought on the part of the contestants. Miss Ruth Hyde speaking on "Puddle Jumpers" and Miss Irene Beuthin with her oration on "The Chivalry of Today" were the other contestants.

Miss Bishop's oration dealt with the future of America. She pictured America, from the work of an eminent sculptor, as a young woman holding the torch of progress on high, with invention at her feet as the basis of her progress. She went on to show that America has developed rapidly because of her great stores of natural wealth. But, now this natural wealth is fast reaching its limit, and the future of America will have to depend more and more on the type of men that are developed to lead the nation. We are losing the natural advantage we have so far enjoyed over the other continents of the world, and in the future must meet them on the basis of better man power. The speaker found fault with modern American society, church, schools, and homes, because they are not tolerant. Set ideals have been incorporated into our living, and the individual who develops his originality is curbed. The orator spoke of the tragedy of prophets, using as examples the lives of Jesus, Socrates, and other prophets through the history of the world. She closed by pointing out that this tragedy is not alone the individual tragedy

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LOGAN APPOINT- ED TO ANNAPOLIS

**Freshman President is Appoint-
ed to Naval Academy by
Ketcham.**

Harold Logan, a member of the freshman class of Alma College, has received word that Congressman Ketcham has named him for an appointment to the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis. Logan recently passed his mental and physical examinations successfully. He will take his entrance examinations sometime in April.

Logan's high ranking as a student is attested by the fact that he received A in all five of his college subjects this past semester. This is an unusual feat to be accomplished by a man in his first semester in college, but according to his fellow inmates at Pioneer Hall, Logan has burned the midnight oil and worked hard for the honors which he has gained.

In addition to his high scholastic standing Logan has been a leader in his class activities this year. He was elected vice-president of the freshman class in September, and has acted as president of the class most of the semester.

While we are sorry that Alma College cannot have such a man for four years, we join in wishing Mr. Logan all best wishes for his future. Friends of Logan about the school feel that he will have no difficulty in passing the entrance examination in April. Logan comes from Niles, Michigan.

REVERSED ORDER

In the grading of faculty by students at Ypsilanti the usual order of things was reversed and the students flunked three of their professors. Eight hundred students took part in the grading.

HEAR YE! HEAR YE!

Be out and support the debaters Friday night—Ypsilanti always gives a good contest.

BEAT HILLSDALE LOSE TO KAZOO

**Kazoo Wins 35-25, Hillsdale De-
feated 58-22 in Game
Last Night.**

The Campbellites hit their stride in the game with Hillsdale last evening played in Memorial Gymnasium turning back the invaders by the overwhelming score of 58-22. The regulars had no difficulty in piling up the points, and the merry scoring went on quite as regularly when substitutes were sent into the game. Hillsdale was unable to get near the basket and made most of their baskets from out in the court.

Alma started the scoring right at the beginning of the game and massed up 17 points while Hillsdale was getting one field basket and a free throw. Vos of Hillsdale being put out on personals in the first half was a blow to their guarding strength. Harmon, Hillsdale center, and Nager were the only ones of the blue and white to get field baskets in this period. This with two free throws gave them 8 points in the first half. The Alma aces ran up 24 points before the gun went off.

Hillsdale collected 14 points in the second period, but was unable to stop the Alma shooting. Wolters, Gaelor, Tiderington and Karpp did most of the Alma scoring, but all the men put up a nice game. The squad showed much better coordination than in the Kazoo game. In their present stride Alma will give the league leaders plenty of trouble when they appear on the Alma court. Alma has three remaining home league games, meeting Kazoo here on the 25th, Olivet on the 26th, and Albion on the 5th of March. They have a game with Hope at Holland also.

ALMA	FB	F	TP	P
Gaelor, rf	6	1	13	0
Mann, rf	0	0	0	1
Wolters, lf	5	0	10	1
Hawthorne, lf	2	0	4	0
Karpp, c	4	2	10	0
Leiphant, c	1	0	2	0
Tiderington, rg	5	2	12	0
Holdship, rg	1	0	2	1
Anderson, lg	0	0	0	3
Seng, lg	2	1	5	2
HILLSDALE				
Nager, rf	0	0	0	0
Valentine, rf	0	1	1	1
Howl, lf	1	4	6	1
Harmon, c	4	0	8	0
Allinder, rg	2	1	5	1
Johnson, rg	0	0	0	0
Vos, lg	0	0	0	4
Nager, lg	1	0	2	0
Referee—Thompson				

The Kalamazoo basketball team showed their last year's championship form in defeating Alma, Friday night at Kazoo. The game was fast. Both teams fouled a great deal because of the close guarding that characterized the struggle. Kalamazoo got away to a good start and soon had a big lead piled up, Alma gradually cut this down until the score stood 20-13 at the half. Mulenberg starred in this period for the Orange and Black, annexing 12 points.

Alma was unable to cut down the lead of Kalamazoo in the second half, the final score standing 35-25. Tiderington showed up well in the Alma lineup being high score man with 12 points. Gaelor had four personals called on him and had to leave the game in the first half. Davis, Hackey and N. Schrier of Kazoo were put out during the game on personals.

Holdship of Alma was out of the game with a bad eye. This coupled with the fact that the team work was not very smooth accounts for Alma not getting under way to better advantage. With greater familiarity with each other's work the Maroon and Cream will give last year's champs a real struggle when they play here on the 25th.

Mulenberg accounted for 19 of the Kazoo points with his uncanny field shooting, and his accuracy from the foul line. The spectacular Kazoo guard is a man to be closely watched because of his ability to break in and

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ON GOING TO COLLEGE

The other day in one of the college English classes the professor in charge asked the members of the class to write down a half dozen contemporary English and American poets. You can imagine what the result was by applying the question to yourself and trying to answer it. Unless you are unusual for the average college student of today we wager that you could not give two from each country. We might possibly even be stuck doing it ourselves if we were to try it.

Now, what does this signify to anyone interested enough in present day education to think about the matter? Surely it betrays a great lack of knowledge about contemporary authors. And we cannot help feeling that it is an indication of a weakness existing in contemporary education. Not knowing who to blame it on we might lay it to the faculty, most blame is laid there when we come to criticising our educational system.

Not knowing who to blame for this condition we cannot admonish anyone to correct it. Perhaps the next best thing that we can do is to analyze the problem, and see where it comes from and to where it leads. It comes from a state of mind which appears common, largely, to college students of today. The average high school graduate who starts to college has no great ideal of getting a broad education. His aim is to complete the required work for his degree, and nothing much else. At college he attends classes regularly, as soon as his cuts are used up, and gets his lessons well enough to get by. His only time in the college library is that spent reading some required book or article. At the end of four years he walks off with his degree with a proud and happy heart—his education is complete—he is a learned man.

Where does this lead to? Well, it is very evident that it does not lead to a really educated group of college graduates in America. It leads to our American educational system being termed a machine process. It may turn out good business men, good doctors, good lawyers,—but it does not turn out enough men and women broadly educated. Those in our senior class this year who appreciate really good literature and understand it, those who can listen to a high class concert with interest, those who have sympathy and understanding of mankind, are few. And this is not an indictment of our senior class. It is as good as any that have left the institution after four years of study in its cloistered halls in the past, and probably as good as any that will leave for some years to come.

Students need a greater sense of the real advantage of college education. They need more cultural development. America will only equal other countries of the world in cultural development when this state of mind is developed. That we lack in this respect today is realized by any reader who has compared present day American novels with those produced by our English brothers, and sisters.

Our appeal to the students of this country is to use their educational opportunities to gain a real education. Our colleges cannot forever last as producers of athletes and money seekers.

THOUGHTS MORE OR LESS LITERARY

The Book-of-the-Month Club's latest choice was "The Heart of Emerson's Journals" edited by Bliss Perry. R. W. Emerson at seventeen began a diary which he continued until he was seventy-two. Perhaps I should use 'Journal' instead of 'diary,' for Emerson's entries were rather unsystematic. At times he wrote nothing and then again paragraphs came to his mind. He called it his 'Savings Bank' and used it to jot down ideas or incidents as they occurred to him. We might think of him as a collector of thoughts which were then mounted in these journals. He drew on this 'bank' for material for his addresses; it contains the prose drafts for many of his famous poems, and original phrases that were later dressed up to make their debut in the essays.

These Journals were published in 1909-14, appearing in ten volumes. Then the New York Times wrote, "The essays themselves do not reveal the power of Emerson's mind and the profundity of his learning as do these hasty and informal writings." Bliss Perry has culled the heart from the ten volumes and the result has been received with loud acclaim in all quarters. De Casseres has referred to it as a 'treasure house.' Ernest Boyd writing in The Independent terms it 'a truer picture of Emersonian thought than in the Essays.' H. S. Canby has said 'Prof. Perry's extracts from the Journals make a remarkable record of a life devoted to passionate thinking, and in another sense an outline of American idealism. You will know your America better when you have read it all.'

Leafing through the book I find the following items:
'All things are double one against another, said Solomon. The whole of what we know is a system of compensation. Every defect in one manner is made up in another. Every suffering is rewarded; every sacrifice is made up; every debt is paid.'

'Among provocatives, the next best thing to good preaching is bad preaching. I have even more thoughts during or enduring it than at other times.'

'I think, if I were professor of Rhetoric,—teacher of the art of Writing well to young men,—I should use Dante for my text-book. Come hither, youth, and learn how the brook that flows at the bottom of your garden, or the farmer who ploughs the adjacent field, your father and mother, your debts and credits, and your web of habits are the very best basis of poetry, and the material which you must work up. Dante knew how to throw the weight of his body into each act, and is, like Byron, Burke, and Carlyle, the Rhetorician. I find him full of the 'nobilis vulgare eloquenza;' that he knows 'God damn,' and can be rowdy if he please, and he does please.'

'The things taught in colleges and schools are not an education, but the means of education.'

'Elmer Gantry,' the new novel by Sinclair Lewis is scheduled for publication this spring. It deals with the clergy much in the same fashion as "Arrowsmith" dealt with the medical profession, but it will not sell as well as its predecessor. Few preachers have a sense of humor.

Paul de Kruif, who was responsible for many of the praiseworthy features of "Arrowsmith," has been writing a series of articles on crop-destroying insects. These will soon be published in book form. His "Microbe Hunters" should be read by every student, or would-be student, of science. It is fully as interesting as a mystery story.

—Horace

Interclass Basketball Schedule is Proposed

There has been an unusual amount of interest in basketball among the student body this year. So much so, that already a Sophomore team has met and defeated a Frosh team, and were in turn defeated by the Juniors. The games, played Saturday afternoons in the gym, have been a source of great interest to many students. Many feel that an interclass schedule of games should be drawn up, and the teams play for the interclass championship. In response to this evident interest a group of the student body got together and proposed the following plan.

It comprises having the four classes draw for opponents and playing the two games in the gym on the afternoons of February 12th and 19th. For the next games the two winners would meet, and the two losers play off. Either one of these games could be played on the afternoon of Saturday, February 26th, and one some evening, or both might be run off on the same afternoon. Or one might be made a preliminary game to some of the varsity basketball games. Then the final winners might play off for

the interclass championship in a preliminary game to Alma's last home game of the year, that to be played with Albion Saturday evening, March 5th. A suitable award, or a feed at the expense of the losers might be arranged as a reward for the champions.

This is only a tentative arrangement, but has met with the approval of members of the various classes. But it is very likely that such a program could be gone through with if it were arranged, and would doubtless meet with a great deal of interest on the part of the students. As a referee the name of Professor Clack has been suggested.

STUDENT FORUM

FRESHMEN RULES

Surviving, more or less, the exams, we, Sau and Esau, like the ground hog of last week come to the surface and tilt our noses to sense the evening air as it blows off the campus of our dear old Alma Mater. My colleague, quick to notice the slightest movement, shifts his head and utters a warning, "Sh-h, someone in the distance."

"Lay low, its some Freshmen. I can see their green pots." We both got down behind a mound of red clay located just in front of our place of liberation. The intruders seated themselves on a rock a short distance away.

First Frosh—"Boy, I sure did get away with that in good shape."

Second Frosh—"What's that?"

F. F.—"Oh, I was supposed to go over to the gym and help put up bleachers, but I saw the student marshal and told him I had to study. Good one, eh?"

S. F.—"Yeh."

F. F.—"Boy, college aint what I thought it would be. I thought the Frosh had to undergo some severe disciplinary training from the upperclassmen, and I even thought so after I had been here a couple of weeks. Remember those rules that were hand out the first of the year? Gosh, I thought we'd have to toe the mark. But we haven't heard anything of them since they came out. These upperclassmen are sure soft this year. You can feed them any story and they'll accept it for an excuse. Why I told one the other day that I couldn't put down the rugs after dancing as I had slipped and hurt my leg. Ha! Ha! And I went back and sat down with my girl and the boob put them down himself. Yes sir, and I just sat there and watched him."

S. F.—"And aint it good the way we put it over on them when we go into the dining room. We don't wait for anyone, first there gets the seat is about the only rule we follow. And even if someone does hand in our names we can kid them out of doing anything. Here—have a cigarette. Oh, I know it's on the campus, but upperclassmen smoke on the campus themselves, we can tell them that anytime they say anything."

F. F.—"Well it's getting late, we wont have to do anything now, let's go back."

Esau and I sat looking at each other after they had left. Finally Esau said, "I hadn't thought much about it, but the Frosh have the situation pretty well figured out. They sure do about as they please this year."

"Say Esau, remember when we were Frosh?"

"Well I guess, I was at every party good old Dad Shaver had, he sure made us walk the line."

"Yeh, and so did the marshall when I was wearing the green pot."

"You know, I sure was sore at the marshall in those days, but I look back on those experiences more kindly now. Those paddling parties made gentlemen out of some fellows who were far from such when they came here to school. Every one was treated alike, if you committed an offence you were sure to pay for it."

"What's wrong this year anyway?"

"I think its the fault of the upperclassmen. They elected a student marshall, and think he can do everything alone. But it's too big a job for one man. Every upperclassman has to help to accomplish any good."

"Yes, I guess that's it. Well, I have a few names in mind that I am going to hand in and get some action on."

"Let's be going long—dinner time."
Sau and Esau

WRIGHT HALL NOTES

Esther Oldt and Dorothy Bradley came back to Alma to spend the week end.

Wright Hall was a bit empty the first week of the new semester. But now most of the inmates have returned and the establishment is running full blast again.

With the new semester Wright Hall has come back in some degree, to it's standing of former days. It is the center of social activity of Alma College. By this we mean, in the last analysis, that quite a few more young

men of our institution have come in on open nights to dance. We have sought for the reason for this rather sudden interest but as yet we are not fully enlightened.

At last we have found an example of true love—and we want you to understand it is neither a case nor an infatuation.

LIBRARY NOTES

Apropos of the delightful chapel hour with Mr. Wilbur Dick Nesbit, so much enjoyed by the students and faculty last week, the library has prepared a display of the U. S. Flag centering about Mr. Nesbit's poem, "Your Flag and my Flag." By glancing down the columns of the Readers' Guide of 1900 thru 1909 one may note the many contributions to periodical publications from the pen of this popular writer and speaker. The library has ordered two of his books of poems, which will be made available for use as soon as received.

A historical sketch of "Libraries in Michigan" has been prepared by Miss G. M. Walton from histories submitted by the individual libraries in response to a request from the Michigan Library Association. The work has been published by the Michigan State Library as a supplement to volume 17 of its Bulletin. It is a creditable and attractive piece of work both as to content matter and form of publication. The Alma Public Library and the Alma College Library each receive a paragraph. Alma College Library is the only college to have "its picture" included.

One of the former Library Staff, Miss Dorothy Bradiey, called at the library office last week. She is enjoying her work as teacher in the Flint Junior High School.

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Saturday, February 12
BOB CUSTER in
"Hair-Trigger
Baxter"
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Feb. 13-14-15
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Vaudeville Every Saturday

CAMPUSOLOGY

Well folks—did you all enjoy the oratoricals? We did—but don't anyone ask President Crooks about the second oration in the men's contest. Only one suggestion—we firmly believe that the speeches were all misnomered. Might we suggest the following titles?

Have a Camel or The Proper use of a mud puddle—Ruth Hyde
Have a Camel or Prophets and Loss—Elma Bishop
Quoth the Craven, 'Never More' or Bits of Steel—Mary Burt
Lady Take My Seat or When Chivalry and Beer Flowed Fast—Irene Beuthin

The Sky Writer or Spooks From the Past—Charles Nims
The Union for Ever or Who in Hell Won That War?—Merril Hendershot
Our Criminal Gentry or Two Shots in the Wind—Francis Angell

Blah, BLAH, Blah or Clear to Vancouver, But Not Back—Homer Barlow

Keep the Home Fires Burning or The Point of the Triangle—Clark Knapp

Solve This Problem or Napoleon Walked All Over Europe—Hurlant Arozian

Hogan says that Jo Anderson shaved off his mustache because it was on the installment plan—a little down each week.

Red Clark says that they ought to redistribute chapel seats after the Wright Hall mode—he's getting tired talking to the same people all the time.

Wanted—by the St. Charles belle: A man who can dance, who will go steady, and with lots of money to spend.

There aren't quite enough gentlemen to go round now that we have some more blondes at Wright Hall.

Another example of man dominant over women—the male table heads at Wright Hall.

Do you remember way back when:
1. Lauritz Drevdahl resolved never to date any more at Wright Hall?
2. When A. P.'s was the only mustache on the campus?
3. When Prexy was seen driving his Willys-Knight?
4. When Louis Zimmerman turned a good handspring?
5. When Kent MacGregor was a bachelor?
6. When knowledge determined grades?
7. When MacDougall got 53 honor points one year?

Famous Saying by Famous People:
Dr. Randels—"You may be right or you may be wrong."

MacGregor wants to live the rest of his life in Saginaw where the water isn't fit to drink.

We advise the members of the Phis to call the society roll and find out which one of them is missing.

If the daughters of Minerva would really kneel to all those who could give them knowledge, they would have callouses on their knees.

We expect there'll be a large crowd at the debate Friday evening.

If the men of the campus wish to know really how to tie neckties and learn the correct styles of the day, see Barlow.

Lots of men walk a mile for a camel—but Hawthorne walks a mile and a half for Lena.

Barlow blames the loss of the oratorical contest on Crooks and Hogan because they laughed at him, but they don't like to take all the blame.

A method has been developed to photograph the human voice—we wish they would hurry and get a picture of the whiskey tenor.

With the development of his mustache Hogan could easily second for Wallace Beery.

The best joke in Saginaw, Friday night—Hogan and Crooks looking for mustache wax.

A fellow in Illinois fixed his radio so that he could hear all that his neighbors had to say. We wish one could be put in the various halls around here—the editor's hard pressed and needs some more Wright Hall notes.

They say that men spend lots of money on the blondes, but this is the first time we ever heard of a man shaving off part of his exterior decorations for one. Drevdahl says this is a lie.

Murray will be able to do some studying after Tuesday night.

Lee Crooks had a cold but his voice has returned to normal now, since the second semester started.

A Flapper's Warning
If you play with the heart of a woman

Be they old or merely maids
Be sure, my son, you'll regret it
As sure as spades are spades.

You've joked and laughed with the other boys
At the way you've strung them along
Never considering the pain you've caused

Or thinking you've done any wrong.
But Wait! Some day you'll really love
And then you'll begin to pay

For the hearts you've broken will give no rest
To your dreams, your work, your play.

You'll see their faces as you've talked to them
You'll remember the look in their eyes
As you've spoken of love and other things
And oh, boy you'll hate their lies.

For the day you find yourself in love
With a girl so wondrously fair
You'll think of the girls you've trifled with
And you'll doubt if she is square.

Those days of fun will come back to you
And the question you ask will be
I've fooled and played with a score of girls
Do you 'spose she's fooling with me?

When you kiss the lips of the girl you love
As you leave her at the door,
You'll wonder in spite of all if she's
Been kissed that way before.

You'll think of the many girls you've kissed
And you'll reason that this is true—
The things I've done to other men's girls
The others to mine can do.

—Contributed.

GIRL'S ORATORICAL CONTEST
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edy of the prophet in not getting sympathy of public opinion, but the tragedy of those who will not give a fair trial to the new, as well. Many times the race has been set back, because of this lack of tolerancy.

The oration winning second honors had for its theme the need of strong leaders in the twentieth century. The speaker, Miss Burt, said the need was for men of instant decision and strong purpose. She very cleverly fitted her theme to her title with a story depicting how a craven threw away a poor weapon and deserted the field of battle, and a king's son found the broken weapons and won the day with it. The leader of the future must be a king's son.

Miss Ruth Hyde delivered the cleverest oration of the evening, "Puddle Jumpers." The speaker developed the idea of a mud puddle from the day of Queen Elizabeth and Raleigh to the present time. In modern society a youth would never notice a mud puddle, much less spoil his coat in it so that his lady might pass it dry shod. From this clever introduction Miss Hyde led on with the questions—what is a mud puddle? What thrives in them? What do we see in it? What can be gained from mud puddles? Many things we hold precious come from dirty puddles. Many things of value may be found in the mud puddles of life if we are willing to search there for them. The oration closed with an appeal to the youth of today to think and act originally.

Miss Irene Beuthin closed the contest with an interesting oration on "The Chivalry of Today." The speaker told first of King Arthur's Court and his knights of the Round Table. But in spite of all their glory Miss Beuthin maintained that they could in no way compare with the knights of today. By the knights of today being meant the men and women who have done so much in modern times to develop and advance civilization and improve the life of millions of people.

The judges were Miss Landwehr, Rev. Roberts, Dr. McCurdy, Dr. Randels, and Professor Spencer. Dean Mitchell presided.

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Juniors Defeat Sophs in Rough Game

The Juniors defeated the Sophomores in a fast and hard fought game played in the gymnasium Saturday afternoon. The Sophs look as though they had the Juniors beaten and the game on ice at the end of the half when they were leading 15-6. But in the last period the Juniors came

back strong and forged into the lead to win 24-22. The close guarding of MacGregor and Hogan, and the spectacular shooting of Jo Anderson were big factors in their team's victory. Mann and Moco did most of the work for the Sophomores.

There was a great deal of spirit displayed on the sidelines by members of the two classes. It is hoped that a regular schedule of interclass basketball competition can be worked out.

JUNIORS	P	FB	F	TP
McKinnon, F.	3	0	6	
Boutin, G.	2	0	4	
Anderson, C.	3	0	6	
Knowles, G.	3	0	6	
Nickles, F.	1	2	2	
Bixby, F.	0	0	0	
Frazier, C.	0	0	0	
Hogan, G.	0	0	0	
MacGregor, G.	0	0	0	
Brown, C.	0	0	0	
Crooks, G.	0	0	0	
SOPHOMORES				
Mann, F.	4	8		
Goodenow, F.	2	2	6	
Moco, C.	3	0	6	
Lamb, F.	1	2		
Crowell, G.	0	0	0	
Thompson, G.	0	0	0	
Koffman, C.	0	0	0	
Zimmerman, F.	0	0	0	
Cajel, F.	0	0	0	
Hobart, G.	0	0	0	

MUSTANGS AND VAQUEROS
February 5, 1927

Dear Editor:—
What has become of the pair of authors who issued their challenge to the student body to come forward and refute the articles of Saw and Esaw? While they are meditating we have observations to make, and if the boastful two care to, let them refute the following:

Report has it that twenty-two men on this campus are agreed that approximately 50% of our students come galloping through their exams on ponies. My cohort rises in horror at the thought of such a conservative figure going to press and we come to blows.

"Why one fellow, a senior and one of the most idolized fellows on this campus, came plodding out of one exam all used up from trying to compete with the cowboys. In a voice of sick discouragement and complete disgust said to his roommate, 'I don't know if I have a high standard of morals or if I'm a damn fool.'"

"Who is the moral one?"
"I won't tell you so don't beg; but I will say that it's come to a pretty pickle when you see all kinds and sizes of wild horses browsing from the hands of students in our chapel and in our gym."

"I don't believe it's half as bad as you say."

"I know. That's you, just like our poor dear hoodwinked faculty, so trusting that you think nothing of this sort could happen even in a country club house. You're in one of three positions, unaware of the situation, aware and afraid to act, or aware of it and don't care."

"You're crazy. If our chapel and gym are showings for vaqueros why the vigilant members of the faculty would catch some of the boys growing their pets."

"Vigilant, that's good too. They couldn't catch a dead horse, much less one that knows his oats! Two members present and those two mulling over old stocks of—that reminds me. A system should be employed whereby these skilled can be detected in their antics, and so in the good old days, given the gate or a swing from a cottonwood tree. I'm caught up full house, trying to compete with a sharp who is allowed to write his exams from a miniature text book."

"What are you going to do about it?"

"Do about it? Same as always I suppose. I'll work along and get my C's and D's while some really, clever, intellectual and honest chaps plus some other boys and girls drag in the A's and B's at the ends of their trained lariats."

"Say Ignorance, do you know what will happen to you if the editor prints this? Maybe our editor can refer to some members of some faculties as proverbial donkeys, but if we start pulling it at home we may need a good steady old plug to drive away on."

"There's nothing we can do. We don't run this ranch. If I owned half share I would will it to some one looking for a charge and I would leave here, a la paid. The student council might attempt it but they've been cold watered so much that they have at last gotten cold feet. All they do or can do is to spend their 15% or 16% of our student activity fee; and speaking of gips wasn't that physical exam a frost. If one didn't have to petition the faculty I'd ask my dollar back. I do wish though that the council would swing a real snappy party. Maybe something alive would scare the ponies out of the gym."

"Don't delude yourself. If such a utopian thing should happen all those frightened ponies would band together in our chapel. You can't throw a

dance there and the ponies would enjoy themselves on the respectful serenity of our chapel service."

"Well what's your conclusions?"
"What's yours?"
Let's conclude together if we can be rational long enough.

We conclude that:
I Mustangs and vaqueros have their places: but that these places should not be in a chapel, a gym, a cuff, a sweater-fold, a dainty little handkerchief or a tiny pocket.

II Everyone gets cheated in such a regime. We have no respect however small for any fellow or any girl who uses notes of any description in either test or examination of any description.

III The faculty is blissfully unaware of many, many situations of campus life.

IV The student body is disgusted with such sneaking, low-down, double-faced activity.

V Faculty and student organizations should get together and clean out this infestation.

Principally yours,
Seen and Unseen.

MEN'S ORATORICAL CONTEST

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join in such a movement. He charged that the attitude of other nations is to get America into the League, even with the reservations which we demand, and then they will be able to compel the obedience of America in whatever they decide to do. Concluding Mr. Barlow stated that the League is built on the idea of sovereignty which is an unsound basis for any permanent peace of the world.

Meril Hendershot delivered a very fine oration entitled "Safe for Democracy," and closely pressed the two winners for their honors. He traced the great conflicts of American history, the Revolution, the Civil war, the World war, and led finally to the great crime crisis which now faces America. He felt that the stamping out of this evil in our national life will call for a conflict equal to any that we as a nation have experienced in the past.

As the originality of one oration stood out in the women's contest of the evening before, the oration delivered by Mr. Arozian was noticeable for its originality of thought in this contest. He spoke on "A Plea for Individual Education." He feels that what modern education needs is more development of individuality of the student. Condemning in many parts our present educational system he introduced the Dalton system which is growing in prominence in England. This system does away with the large classes and fixed curriculum. The students work individually and at their own speed. There is no holding up of the brighter ones while the less endowed are completing the course. The teachers are specialists in their field, and instead of telling the student a mass of knowledge, merely show him how to dig it out for himself. The principle of the system is the uplifting of character, and the fullest development of talents possessed by the students.

Mr. Clark Knapp spoke on the topic "The Great Triangle." The three corners of the triangle which embody the needs of present day America, and their solutions, he held to be proper home training, strict law observance, and lastly, observance of the law of God.

Mr. Charles Nims presented a speech which dealt in a new and novel way with the problem of war. He called his oration "Fingers of the Dead." At the present moment we enjoy comparative peace and prosperity. But it was pointed out that war clouds are ever hovering on the horizon. He gave the time worn justifications of war, protection of homes and loved ones, a high sense of patriotism, but contended that war is not justified even on such grounds as these. The speaker assumed the position of one of war's dead, and accused scheming politicians and money mad men as the causes of most wars.

Miss Landwehr, Mr. Paul Cash, Professor Spencer, Dr. McCurdy and Professor Slack were the judges of the contest. Dean Mitchell acted as chairman of the evening.

BEAT HILLSDALE—LOSE TO KALAMAZOO

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take the shots. Davis of Kazoo also showed up well while in the game.

ALMA P	FB	F	TP	PF
Gaelor, rf	1	1	2	4
Hawthorne, lf	1	2	1	
Walters, lf	2	4		
Karpp, c	1	1	3	1
Seng, c	1	1	1	
Tidderington, rg	4	4	12	1
Anderson, lg				3
KALAMAZOO				
Davis, rf	4	2	10	4
D. Hackney, lf	2	4	4	
N. Schrier, c	1	2	4	
Mulenberg, rg	7	5	19	2
Berry, lg				1
Vorhees, rf				
E. Schrier, lf				3
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