## STUDENTS BALLOT TO DROP BASEBALL



17 Dean Steward And Professo
Journey To Direct Study Journey To Direct Study
Of League Of Nations

March 5, 1929.
"The vote of students with regard
to a program of athletics is shown on the appended sheet. It will be observed of intramural athletics than favor either of the other programs; that a bare plurality of juniors voted for con-
tinuance of our regular tinuance of our regular plan; that a
plurality of sophomores voted for the regular plan, and a plurality of fresh men likewise.
It is to be observed that of 233
votes 90 , quite less than a majority, favor the old plan, and only 13 less to be observed that there is is also animity among our students, but that we have them divided into three

BIRTHDAY PARTIES
ENJOYED AT HALL
Mr. Vernon J. Kittendorf, better
known as the "Buff," was pleasantly known as the "Buff," was pleasantly
surprised last Tuesday night when the members of his table at Wright Hall honored their beaming "Head" with a very picturesque and delightful birth-
day dinner. The place cards were day dinner. The place cards were
held by cute little Easter bunnies, and the decorations consisted of long blue streamers from chandelier to table.
Although the color scheme was a dainty Baby-blue (quite appropriate
for the young man) the "Buff's" slightly out of harmony with was general effect

Another one of the campus cele rities, Mr. Douglas MacClelland o
Calumet, was also feted on the anni versary of his birthday last Monday
colleagues gathered around the festa ooards in Wright Hall. No, there wa except the cake. It would be a crime to omit the fact that one Alden Potter assisted the honored one in extinguish ing the nineteen blazes on the birth

## YALE SENIORS

CHOSE FAVORITES
Votes of Yale Seniors as announced
the other day showed a wide diversity the other day showed a wide diversity esting to note that Yale men prefer the honors of a scholar above an aththe $Y$; their votes indicating that mora to be desired than Kappa are blue letter. The seniors listed coted vard as their favorite next to Yale and as between Lindbergh and "my
father" as the man now living they most admired; they voted a tie, but between President Hoover and Lind realm of literature decide. In the seemed favor Kipling, Dumas and Tennyson Continued on Page 4)

The first official meeting of the
students interested in making a study students interested in making a study
of the League of Nations and of the League of Nations and of inThursday afternoon, March 7 ,
Wright Hall. Under the guidance two faculty members, Dean Steward
and Professor and Professor Journey, a definite o
ganization was ganization was formulated with Gil
bert Scheib as president and Mary Kay Burt as corresponding secretary and treasurer.
A program and constitutional com-
mittee was appointed by the president mittee was appointed by the president Merriel Hendershott, and Don Horton Following a discussion of the best Club special topics were assigned to various members for extensive report
at the next meeting which will b
held Tuesday o'clock. Dean Steward, upon the un-
aminous invitation of the aminous invitation of the entire
group, gave an interesting talk on
some of her League of Nations study conference The Club Switzerland, last summer twelve and was formed as the result
of the news that Alma will send three representatives to the miniature Aeague of Nations meeting in Ann
Arbor next month. The object Club will primarily be to fit any deleonnected with the League of Nations as well as with Lithuania, Canada
and Panama, the three countries
whin

## drama club to play

"CRAIG'S WIFE" FRIDAY
Would you like to know what
would mean to be a hen-pecked hus band? Would you like to see the re ward which is meted out to a woman who lives entirely for herself and is
supremely selfish? If you would, supremely selfish? If you would
don't fail to see "Craig's Wife" Friday night at the Strand Theater.
This play is a very diffe This play is a very different type
than "The Butter and Egg Man" and
consequently is an consequently is in keeping with the
plan of the Drama Club to present
varied selection of varied selection of the very finest
plays. To warn you-this play quite different from those one ordi-
narily sees and in spite of the fact narily sees and in spite of the fact
that it is a very definite take off on he feminine sex, Alma women who their comments upon it. In the cast of the play are several
people who are making their initial appearances on an Alma stage but the Club feels certain that they will give a
very fine account of themselves Frida night.
Club members and may be by Drama the Strand Theatre all during the ing a very fine enthusiasm toward the play and it bids fair to be not only one of the finest plays to be offered by the
Club but also to be a success from a Club but also to
business viewpoint.

Librarian Sees Dream
Of Building Materialize


LIBRARY WAS OPEN TO PUBLIC FRIDAY Last Friday, March 8th, the Col lege Library was open for inspection
of its new fireproof stacks and re-
modeled rooms to Alma who were interested in visitin it. The open hours determined upo
by Librarian Ward were from in the afternoon and frm $7: 30$ to 9 in the people of this vicinity took advant-
age of this opportunity. The new addition will hold 50,000 volumes and at present 25,000 vol
mes have been moved stacks of the first two floors. Th hird floor will be added later when needed. The Alma Record makes the following comment: "The entire building is now one of which the Col
lege and city can be justly proud and
its usefulness and its usefulness and value to those en joying its privileges cannot be mea-
sured. Miss Ward and those asso sured. Miss Ward and those assoc-
iated with her are to be congratulated upon so splendid an accomplishmen for the College."

COLLEGE DEbators to
MEET OLIVET THURSDAY
The Negative Debating team of th College travels to Olivet next Thurs day to argue with the Crimson de-
baters on the question, "Resolved that baters on the question, "Resolved that
trial by jury should be abolished." rial by jury should be abolished."
The Alma team is composed of Mr Frank Angell, Mr. Ralph Harwood and Mr. Homer Barlow. The same aters a week ago on the same ques
The Olivetians boast of a successful ebating squad this year and so pro-
phecies relative to the Thursday night contest are not in order. In the past
three years, since the advent of Professor Herman Spencer as Debate
Coach, the local arguers have had Coach, the local arguers have had
considerable success in vanquishing the Congregationalists-
debate in three years.
GARDENER HUNTING
WRITES NEW BOOK
Mr. Gardener Hunting, son of the first President of Alma College, whe of success as an author recently pure of success as an author, recently pub-
lished his latest book, "Sunrise Calling."
In the
cent edition of the Detroit Times review of Mr. Hunting's book, pub-
lished by D. Appleton and Company appeared. "In. "'Sunrise Calling", Gardener Hunting has told the remarkably human story of a young prizefighter's transformation. Full of
warm human interest and colored by warm human interest and colored by
the action of a swift and thrilling the action of a swift and thrilling
plot, 'Sunrise Calling' is the sort of a book that has a deep lasting appeal."
Mr. Hunting has been very successful as the author of bey's books.

## bixby takes new position

 Bixby is employed.

## Detrout teachers HEAR DR Crooks ALMA DOW DO TO CLOSE SEASON

Almanians Step Back Into Lose 37-32
closed their baskethelma Collegians Wednesday night by evening the count with Hope and downing them 37 to victory assures the Presbyterians econd place in the final compilation of M. I. A. A. standings for the year.
Simmons started the scoring fo: Simmons started the scoring fo:
both teams when he sank a free
throw which throw which the Dutchmen immed-
iately followed by a basket. Back and forth the lead swayed during the
first half. Gussin. A. man, kept his team in the running during this period by accounting for Schouten's scoring ace in the game
they won here earlier in the season they won here earlier in the season
had an off night, gaining only four
points during the entire affair. So it points during the entire affair. So it
fell upon Martin, Klay and Cook to carry the burden and it was their
sinking of two baskets apiece which
kept the game close as one should be kept the game close as one should be.
At the half the count was knotted at 16 points apiece. Lange substituted nexing three personals to his credit, counted once from the floor and foul
line along with Pezet's similar scoring made Alma's counters for the per-
iod. Klay in addition to his two goals from the field got equally as many from the fould line to add to DePree's
sole scoring for the half to equal the sole scoring for the half to equal the
count at the half-way mark. count at the half-way mark.
Only once during the last
Only once during the last half were
the Presbyterians headed and that only for a moment. They were playing stellar ball to match the equally good game played by the Wooden
shoe men. Gussin sank several long toms to make the game complete with
all possible thrills duly apprecite the Hope fans. Simmons got going in old-time fashion and sank two during this period. Heartt, although not
breaking into the scoring column played a game at center which had Martin on the go all the time. Al-
baugh collected four points during his activities in the fracas along with nipe

GUSSIN PLACED
ON ALL-M. I. A. A.
The mythical All-M. I. A. A. teams First Team Second Team
Restifo, Hillsdale RF Murdock, Kazoo
Carlson, Albion Carlson, Albion LF Simmons, Alma Gussin, Alma..... RG Johnston, Olivet Schrier, Kazoo.. LG VanLente, Hope Forward-Albaugh, Alma; Cardwell, Olivet; Church, Olivet; Davis, Guards-Bruce Gray, Albion; Vos, Hillsdale; Goldburg, Albion.
the M. I. A. A. had been counted it on the mythical first team were unanimous choices. Car Gussin, star
Alma guard, Ernie Gray of Albion Restifo of Hillsdale, and Carlson, were the four men whom the coaches decided upon as unquestionably quali-
fied for the places of honor. Three of the coaches named Schrier of Kahim on the second team and so put Simmons, who was unanimous
choice for the team last year, has been in competition since the beginplace on the second mythical five by the vote margin. Albaugh, of free-

MAROON AND CREAM PROGRAM ENJOYED

Mr. Harold Logan, Manager of the
Maroon and Cream, and Miss Irene Maroon and Cream, and Miss Irene
Beuthin, Editor, spoke during the
student chapel service yesterday student chapel service yesterda Miss Beuthin urged the, student at its annual-not the Junior's annual
at Mr. Logan spoke quite vehemently on the trite subject "Co-operation"but the speaker gave his subject any-
thing but trite treatment. He emphathing but trite treatment. He empha-
sized the fact that the Juniors have assumed a responsibility and success

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## THE THIRD STRIKE

Recently a statement was made to the effect that five per cent of the people think; fifteen per cent think they think and the remaining percentage would rather be shot than think. In view of the results of the balloting on the "baseball question," this statement, although obviously exaggerated, sounds surprisingly veracious. For if the student vote on the matter of a spring athletic program meant anything at all, it conclusively proved that the students don't know what they do want. And proceeding upon this premise, the Athletic Board of Control (having given the "people thei referendum") is seemingly justified in taking whateve action on the proposition it sees fit. This referendum was a strategic move on the part of the Board in view of the fact that the Athletic Board of Control is not representative of the Student Body. There are but two members on the Board elected by the students in their general election, and one of these men is nominated by the Board and precedent has ruled that he shall have no competitor for the office.
As far as the balloting is concerned it is evident that a majority of the students are in favor of abolishing baseball; although there are more students in favor of a con tinuance of the present program than there are in favor of either one of the two proposals. Thus, it is quite apparent that the students are sadly "up in the air" as to just what they do prefer
There is little doubt that it would be financially imprac ticable for the Board to continue a program of competitive intercollegiate baseball, and there can be no question that to properly put over a program of intramural athletics would be just as economically unfeasible. So, under our present system, baseball must inevitably "go by the board." But then, the suggestion has been made to the effect that, the College athletic program ought to be financed and managed as it is in other small colleges of the State-by the College Administration. At least the suggestion is worthy of consideration when that kind of a system has proved successful in other Michigan college where the situation is similar to the one now confronting Alma.
The author of the Student Forum article, which appear on this page, raises the question, "Why can't the Athletic Association have its proportionate share of the money re ceived from student fees?" And he continues with, "How many students know just where their money goes which they pay into the Student Council fund?" The first ques tion is raised in ignorance of the facts of the case ; but the other query is entirely reasonable and probably represent the attitude of a majority of the students on the Campus. At the present time, the Athletic Association gets sixty-two and one-third per cent of the Student Council Fund, while the Council receives sixteen per cent of this fund with which to finance all the social activities of the Campus. The questioner will have to admit that the figures indicate an emphasis on athletics. Debate, that chronic invalid among our college activities, is alloted eight and one-third per eent. With this "drop in the bucket" the Manager of Oratory and Debate finances the various trips of the two teams and holds the Annual Contest of the Michigan Oratorical League in Alma. These facts prove quite conclusively that the Student Council Fund cannot furnish athletics with any additional revenue.

In order to continue an extensive program of competi tive athletics some system will have to be devised which will take care of the annual deficit. If the present athletic outlay cannot be successfully financed, then there is no alternative for the Athletic Board of Control but to abolish the Spring athletic program.

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## STUDENT FORUM

## BASEBALL!

Shall Alma College strive to maintain its traditions and standards in the future, or shall the institution acquire for itself a "black-eye", simply because of lack of funds? The talk
of the possibility of dropping from the list of one of Alma's major sports this spring has caused considerable comment on the cllege campus, both pro and con, but mostly in favor
of retaining the National of retaining the National Pastime as
one of the school's sport activities. In the first place, the Athletic A sociation is in debt-we all know that. Baseball has never paid and never will be self-sufficing here or in any col-
lege or university in the country lege or university in the country. Be-
cause of this, the school authoritie cause of this, the school authorities
contemplate replacing baseball as a varsity sport with an intra-mural spring program. Undoubtedly, such a
substitute would prove just substitute would prove just as costly, if not more so, than financing a var-
sity baseball team. Baseball isn't a paying proposition at the University of Michigan, or at any of the counrry's largest institutions, but there is no forecast of other schools not having a baseb
cial losses.
Alma is
Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic As sociation, yet it would be the first to abolish baseball from the sports pro ram. Every year there are student who come to Alma, because of its
good baseball record in the past, and it is likely they come mainly because of that. The best athletes are usually versatile, engaging in three or fou pective athletes would be the pros pective athletes would be lost per
haps because Alma didn't have a diamond nine. When other association schools have removed baseball from heir major sports list, then let Alma follow in their footsteps, but to be the
leader would be unwise and leader would be unwise and not a
sound policy for the youngest and mallest institution.
How about debating, oratory, glee
clubs, etc.-Are they self suppo clubs, etc.-Are they self supporting?
No. As No. As far as training in those lines
is concerned, a student can take such courses to fit himself for the work, can get plenty of vocal practicee at
the daily chapel exercises. Basebal the daily chapel exercises. Baseball college athlete is able to in which a sollege athlete is able to earn a goo
salary during the summer and every year more and more college players are going into the minor and najor leagues to play baseball for heir life's work, if they make th rade. I beg to disagree with the
statement made by our President garding a baseball player not bein made" in college-that he neede natural abilities. Natural abilities do help, it is true, but just last year there as at least one, if not more, player "made
nine.
We
We pay fifteen dollars a year for a nany of us know just how that mount is divided among the variou able to find out, but have always carried the belief that the amount allotdhe athletic association was not ther things in proportion to that given other things. Maybe I'm wrong, but why shouldn't the student be inform-
ed as to how much of his fifteen dol lars goes for each of the school activities? For some reason or other the student council has been "flush" with "money on hand" this year and lots of free dances have been spon-
sored, which we all enjoyed, but did all the extra money come from? In most of the other state colleges college athletics arc assocation, but college athletics are supported by the general college fund. Why wouldn't
such a plan work at our institution? The city of Alma, as well as the colto give the a big enough population give the support that is necessary o make the athletic association as one of the major sports, regardless of what else may have to be done to neet the deficit in the athletic assood material fory. We have some sood material for a baseball team always will have, and a more retrogressive step could not be taken than to drop baseball.

## OUR LIBRARY

Some time ago it was requested that students having suggestions to
make regarding the use of the library give them. This is intended to meet with that request and not to find fault with the institution's management. It has come to my attention, a are permitted the use of the stacks. This is no place to discuss the comparative abilities of Seniors and Juniors to manage the intelligent use
of reference books. If discrimination of reference books. If discrimination
is intended by this rule, all right, but if the library is on this campus encourage it's use, why limit the freedom of the stacks to Seniors? It cannot be argued that "open house" fic cop because students are not that desirous of acquiring knowledge. Continued on Page 4)

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VETERANS FOR 1930 Now that the Michigan Intercollegiate basketball race is over, with
the exception of the one the exception of the one remaining
Albion-Hope fray, and Albion and Alma are firmly intrenched in fir and second places respectively, th
mentors of the Associetion mentors of the Association fives ar thinking of the possibilitites for
1930. Coach Campbell has one of the 1930. Coach Campbell has one of the
brightest outlooks in view of the fact that none of his regular squad will be lost by graduation.
With Gussin, Simmons, Lange, Albaugh and Heartt as a nucleus around
which to build the 1930 pennant which to build the 1930 pennant
chasers, Campbell's quintet must once again be seriously considered as a contender for first honors.

STUDENT FORUM (Continued from Page 2)
However when they are after it, it discouraging to be compelled to ask for the book when of times browsing through them all is more fruitful.
In one's Freshman year In one's Freshman year he is ac
quainted with the system of our brary so that from then on he should be able to go about his business there
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| volum stores of gray matter | whether they are Freshmen or Seniors. That which serves the most

serves best whe serves best. Why not permit mem-
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of the stacks? of the stacks?
Alma Downs Hope
To Close Season
(Continued from Page 1)
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Hen ended the game.
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Schouten's best with 11 points was Schouten's best
scorer, followed closely by Martin scorer, followed closely by Marth
with nine. Despite a weak ankle
wind Heartt played well at center for the
Maroon and Cream. Plenty of credit is due both teams and that Alma won in a close battle is no dishonor to the fighting Dutch who already had a
victory over the Preshyterian The good sportsmanshin by the Holland fans was the big feature of the game. They were equally generous in their applause and gave
our boys a band when ability was our boys a band when ability was
shown. If all schools had loyal fans to shown. If all schools had loyal fans to
their back who showed the colors Hope's do, a much better spirit among the colleges would exist.
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VanDenBush; VanDenBush for er. Alma-Lange for Brown; Albaugh for Lange; Brown for Heart
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College Host
To Basketball Teams
(Continued from Page 1 ).
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victory from seeming defeat, $23-20$ victory from seeming defeat, $23-20$.
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the losers.
the losers.
Scores of Tournament


## Yale Seniors

Chose Favorites $\begin{gathered}\text { (Continued from Page 1) } \\ \text { the Repubabican over the Democratic } \\ \text { by a vote of } 89 \text { to } 26 \text {. }\end{gathered}$ by a vote of 89 to 26 . They agreed quite generally that
the Freshman year in college is the the Freshman year in college is the
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    Teams last week.
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    tary basketball write-up which wa tary basketball write-up which w
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