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DEBATERS DOWN OLIVETIANS 3-0

Alma Negative Team Wins Decision On Jury Question At Olivet Thursday

The Negative debating team of the College again won the decision when they met the Affirmative trio of Olivet College last Thursday night at the Congregational Church in Olivet. The decision was three to nothing in favor of the Alma debaters.

The question for debate was the Michigan Intercollegiate question: "Resolved, that trial by jury should be abolished." Professor H. T. Wood of the Public Speaking department of Michigan State Normal College, Professor A. J. McCulloch, Albion College, and Professor H. O. Hendrickson, Albion College, were the judges for the contest. Professor Sheffeland of Olivet acted as chairman.

The Olivet first speaker, Mr. Charles Picard, opened the argument for the Affirmative by setting forth the inability and inexperience of the average jurymen. Mr. Francis Angell, who spoke first for the Negative, showed to the satisfaction of the judges that the defects in the present system are not inherent. Mr. Harold King, of the Olivet Affirmative, very effectively compared the judge system with the system of trial by jury, taking as his issue the inefficiency and retardation which attends the present judicial program. Mr. Ralph Harwood contradicted Mr. King by conclusively proving that the advantages of the present system, in spite of the defects, greatly outweigh the benefits to be derived under a system of trial by judge. Mr. Corbett Franklin concluded the Affirmative case with a general summary, and by reiterating the inherent defects in the present system. Mr. Homer Barlow rested the Negative case by holding up for inspection the obvious fallacies in the constructive plan as advanced by the Affirmative.

The debate was marked by an interesting give-and-take clash in issues and excellent public speaking.

This is the second debate on the Negative side of the question which the Alma debaters have won in as many weeks—they defeated the Western Normal team last week by a 2-1 decision.

CHEMISTRY CLUB ENJOYS MEETING

Dr. Kaufmann And Students Of Chemistry Discuss Nitrogen Gas

The Alma College Chemistry Club convened in the chemistry building last Thursday evening for the purpose of discussing the relative importance of the fixation of nitrogen.

Dr. Kaufmann opened the meeting with a talk concerning the friendly and inimical qualities of this gas. He reminded those present of the fact that nitrogen, which is so essential to life, may also be turned into one of mankind's worst destroyers.

During his discourse, he revealed the great need of nitrates during the World War. This necessitated the discovery of certain processes for the extraction of nitrogen from the air.

The discussion of these various operations was turned over to three college students.

Mr. Everett Highlund gave an excellent detailed report on the Birkeland-Eyde process. He explained the method of drawing nitrogen from the atmosphere by exposing air to the action of an electric arc.

Mr. Robert Randels gave a well organized speech on the Cyanamide process. In his talk, Mr. Randels demonstrated the method of combining nitrogen and hydrogen through the action of water on calcium cyanamide.

The Haber process was discussed by Mr. Harold Logan. Mr. Logan, by means of illustrations, traced the synthesis of ammonia, and through this medium accounted for the extensive use of this method in the production of nitrates.

The meeting was enjoyed by all of those who attended, and the members are looking forward to the next convocation.

GIRL'S GLEE CLUB SINGS IN VASSAR

The Girls' Glee Club gave a sacred concert in Vassar Sunday night. They had a nice, quiet, enjoyable ride over, and found a large-sized audience which had come to hear them. After the concert, the members of the Club were invited to the home of Rev. and Mrs. Bashear to partake of some refreshments. They were most heartily enjoyed. Bright spots in the lunch were fruit salad, ham sandwiches, egg sandwiches, angelfood cake, etc., which were relished by the fair co-eds of Wright Hall.

Not far from Vassar on the way back home the bus stopped for fifteen minutes or so to see some excitement. A car had gone in a ditch and the back part of it was on the railroad tracks. All would have been well had not a train been coming at that time. No one was in the car and we were rather hoping to see a real, honest-to-goodness smash-up, but someone heroically flagged the train, thus averting a most thrilling accident. The train waited until the wrecking car had finally maneuvered the sedan out of its temporary lodging place, then it went on its way—as did we. L.S.

TAU SIGMA GAMMA

Tau Sigma Gamma held its meeting at the home of Miss Ward, Monday evening, March 11. A constitution was unanimously accepted and the meeting was turned over to travel study.

Papers were read on the cities of Venice and Milan. Those on Venice were: Glass-flowers, Lace, Gondolas, Canals, Churches, and Architecture. One paper was given on the city of Milan, in general.

BOARD REQUESTS BASEBALL BALLOT

Representatives Discuss Plan For Spring Athletics And Call For Second Vote

Last Tuesday morning a post mortem was held by the student body on the athletic program for spring. The meeting took place in the Chapel building and the assembly was addressed by the student representatives of the Athletic Board of Control, Gordon Lamb, President, George Kaiser, Manager, and Merriel Hendershot.

The representatives informed the student body that for financial reasons the spring athletic program as far as intercollegiate baseball and track is concerned will have to be abandoned. A financial report was made by the manager which very clearly showed the depleted condition of the Athletic Association treasury.

Before the president of the Board called for another vote, he admonished the students, saying that it didn't matter how they voted—there wouldn't be any baseball anyway. Whereupon the students again voted on the proposition and apparently were heartily in accord with the suggestions of the Board!

The Board has not taken any final action in the matter as yet, but the representatives made it clear to the student group that the abolition of baseball and track is inevitable, and so there is no doubt that there will not be any participation in intercollegiate athletics on the part of Alma this spring.

COLLEGE DEBATERS TO MEET HOPE FRIDAY

The Affirmative debaters of the College will journey down to Holland next Friday to meet the Hope College Negative team. Although Hope usually excels in forensic activities, this year the Dutch arguers have not been very successful. They were defeated by Calvin and Kalamazoo early in the season.

Representing the Alma Affirmative will be Mr. Angell, Mr. Ruddock and Mr. Barlow. Mr. Ruddock replaces Mr. Harwood when Alma takes the Affirmative role, while Mr. Harwood speaks in second position when Alma defends the Negative issues.

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Alma	6	4 .600
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SUCCESS ATTENDS EFFORTS OF COLLEGE DEBATE COACH



Professor Herman Spencer
Coach of Debate

Under the excellent leadership and guidance of Professor Herman Spencer, Coach of Debate, the Alma debate teams have gained considerable recognition in collegiate forensic circles. In the three years that Professor Spencer has supervised the work of the College debaters, Alma debating teams have won a large majority of their debates with other colleges of the Michigan Debating League.

KAPPA IOTA MEETING

A regular meeting of the Kappa Iota Literary Society was held Monday, March 11. After the meeting was called to order by the President, Lena Hall, roll call was answered by a brief review of some dramatist previously studied. A paper on Eugene O'Neil was read by Jean Peterson. That was followed by an impromptu given by Mary Elizabeth Fisher. After a brief business discussion, the meeting adjourned.

"SOPHS SLING SPORT SHUFFLE SATURDAY"

Wright Hall was the very verdant scene of an enjoyable Irish party last Saturday evening when the Sophomores, to use their own terminology, "Slung their Sofmor sport Shaffle." It was a very colorful and enjoyable affair, and about forty couples danced to the excellent music of the popular Campus Serenaders.

The Hall was tastily decorated in green—green streamers from the lights to the floor, and green shamrocks covering the curtains and suspended from the chandeliers and ceiling.

The original intention was to make the affair a kind of display of sport togger but the recent rain and snow storm dampened and cooled the ardor of the most enthusiastic and the result was that very few appeared in their summer "numbers." It would be unfair to review some of the more colorful costumes because the reporter would be charged with discrimination; but nevertheless no report of the party would be complete without mentioning a few of the high lights: "Win's" Palm Beach combination, (second only to Hendershot's) Fales' striking sweater (only outdone by Frances' jacket) and last but not least, the angels were all put to shame by the lovely white monotone displayed by Miss Louise Salmon.

The practice of having the dancing parties in Wright Hall rather than the Gymnasium is a good one, and the comments to that effect were numerous.

The chaperones were: Dean Florence M. Steward, Professor and Mrs. L. L. Tyler, Professor and Mrs. W. E. Kaufmann, and Miss Rita Biondi.

STUDENT CHAPEL

William Owen of the class of '30 entertained the chapel audience during the Monday Student Program with a group of very enjoyable piano solos.

Probably the number which occasioned the most favorable comment was Rachmaninoff's Prelude in C Minor.

Second Floor Blaze Menaces Frosh Dormitory Early Saturday Morning



The city fire department responded to an alarm from Pioneer Hall early last Saturday morning and upon arriving upon the scene found that the Freshmen had the blaze pretty well under control. A few applications of liquid chemicals and the blaze was completely extinguished.

The cause of the fire is not definitely known. It is thought that the conflagration originated from a cigarette being thrown into the waste paper basket which is near the partition on the second floor where the blaze broke out.

The fire was first noticed by Clarence Moore and Harry Wehrly who awoke to find little wisps of smoke seeping through under the baseboards

in their room. Moore immediately honed in the alarm and both boys assisted by other Freshmen succeeded in practically extinguishing the fire before it had gained any considerable headway.

The conflagration caused little damage and outside of a few base and floor boards being torn up to get at the blaze and slightly discolored walls, the building is little the worse for the near-disaster.

Nearly every year Pioneer Hall is menaced by the flames but never yet has the aged edifice succumbed to the fiery attack. However, a few of the boys were getting ready Saturday morning to toss their valuables out the windows.

"CRAIG'S WIFE" GREATLY ENJOYED

College Drama Club Play Pleases Large Audience At Strand Friday

"Craig's Wife," directed by Merriel Hendershot and played by the Alma College Drama Club at the Strand Theatre last Friday evening was a very entertaining and worth-while dramatic success. Although including in its cast new and inexperienced members of the Club, the production was presented well and the interpretation of the various roles was excellent.

To the director, Mr. Hendershot, must go a large measure of the praise for the success of the Drama Club's second feature of the school year. Miss Frances Cameron, who played the role of "Craig's Wife," is deserving of the many compliments which have been paid her. The success or failure of the entire production rested upon her shoulders in that the whole purpose of the writer, Mr. Kelly, was to portray an extremely selfish and self-centered woman. To this unity of effect he made all the supporting cast contribute their bit. And the rest of the cast did this very thing Friday night.

Mr. Clarence Moore, as Craig, himself, was all that could be desired in the role of a love-blind, hen-pecked husband—that is, until the revolt. When Craig finally asserted his rights and rebelled, Mr. Moore was right in his element and acted out his part to perfection. Kathleen Ellison was suited to her part and played well as the well-known maternal-aunt type. Although Mary Mason did not have a leading place as Mrs. Harold, she afforded some excellent comic relief which the audience apparently appreciated and was more at home on the stage than any other individual in the play. Vera White was well chosen as the sincere and conscientious Mazie.

Gertrude Walker as the unsophisticated and much-in-love niece, proved her ability, and in company with Mr. Robert Buchanan contributed what little romance the play contained. Marion Mackenzie, although not by nature endowed with the outward characteristics of a grandmother, enjoyed a complete reversal of form and very effectively played the part of the kindly, sympathetic and good-looking "neighbor across the way." John Cook in the role of the boisterous, conscientious, but slightly profane business associate, did exceptionally well, and although this was the young man's first appearance with the Club he was not a whit ruffled and bids fair to make quite a place for himself in Alma dramatic circles. Edward Horn and Louis Zimmerman as the bedeviled and inquisitive "men from headquarters" afforded the audience no little amusement and put their work across in fine shape.

The play was didactic—that is George Kelly moralized as much as he dared and still keep in harmony with modern dramatic criticism. "People who live to themselves are generally left to themselves" was the underlying theme of the production and the veracity of this adage was realized when Craig's wife found her house (not her home) deserted—deserted because she had been selfish, because she had been materialistic, because she had married a man's pocketbook and house instead of his heart. The play is almost classical in its mechanics—the scene remains the same during the three acts and there is a marked unity of time and action.

The success of any production is dependent to a great extent upon the stage and property managers. Donald Horton, who is President of the Drama Club, was in charge of the stage properties, and to him and his fellow workers goes the credit for having one of the best settings which have been seen in the local theatre in the history of the Drama Club.

KIPKE'S TEAM

Harry Kipke, former All-American halfback and at present head coach at Michigan State College, has refereed a large number of the M. I. A. A. games this year and has again selected his All-M. I. A. A. basket ball team.

The team selected by Kipke differs from the one picked by the Coaches a week ago, in that the football star places Brown of Alma on the second team in place of Johnston of Olivet. Otherwise the choices of the State Coach agree identically with the selections made by the Mentors of the Association.

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DEBATING IS IMMORAL!

The comment was made the other day that debating—so far as Alma College goes—is immoral. Why? Because there are so few men out for debating that the same debaters must argue on both sides of the question, and in doing this they are hypocritical—yes, even prevaricators!

But then John Milton said, "Who ever saw truth put to the worst in a free and open encounter?" There is always some truth on both sides of the question. And although few people attend; the debates are always "free and open" and truth is seldom "put to worst." If you don't believe it, just go to a debate—once.

"YOU CAN'T HAVE BASEBALL ANYWAY"

In order to be consistent in its editorial policy, it would seem that the Almanian should uphold the Athletic Board of Control relative to its action regarding the abolition of a competitive athletic program for spring.

But although this publication favored doing away with baseball because of the lack of interest on the part of the student body, and because of the lack of funds to finance the spring program, it cannot conscientiously approve the attitude of the Board in this matter, when the student representatives of that Board tell the student body that there is only one reason why baseball must go and that is money—the lack thereof. Of course they were seemingly candid, but nevertheless a few weeks ago that Board gave as its reason for abolishing baseball the lack of interest on the part of the students on the campus.

The representatives of the Board were quite outspoken but they neglected to tell the students that the fees which they have already paid for a spring program of athletics are to be applied on the old debt—not unlike paying for a "dead horse." The students were informed last Tuesday morning by the members of the Athletic Association that "it doesn't matter how you vote—you can't have baseball or track anyway." And then the Chairman called for a vote on the question!

In order to convince the students that Alma will not be alone in the Association, and consequently our prestige will not be hurt, the representatives informed the assembled students that Olivet has abolished baseball and that Kalamazoo is contemplating the same action. But Olivet has not eliminated baseball from its spring program nor is it going to, according to a statement in the Olivet Echo; and an article in the Kalamazoo paper states that baseball practice has begun!

Such articles as the one in the Student Forum column entitled "Is It Fair?" are certainly justified.

The students have given the Athletic Board of Control about \$1000 in fees this semester. In return the students have seen three basketball games! Why can't a proportionate amount of this student fund be put into a constructive athletic program which will benefit a majority of the students? For instance, the Board might build two good tennis courts, instead of applying this money on the old debt. The officers of the Athletic Board of Control informed the Student Council, when the latter organization which is representative of the student body, suggested that these student fees be used in some constructive plan, that the Board has not decided to abolish baseball! And yet these same officers informed the student body last Tuesday that "it doesn't matter how you vote—there isn't going to be any baseball!"

It has been alleged that if the Student Council can't reclaim these funds until the Athletic Board of Control takes some definite action in regard to spring athletics, the Board is not liable to assume the responsibility of voting baseball out but will let last Tuesday's voting farce settle the matter.

STUDENT FORUM

TO THE CAMPUSOLOGY AND WRIGHT HALL EDITORS

Isn't it silly to crab about things? Isn't it futile to crab and not to act? Isn't it childish for one gang of youngsters to shy off in a corner and look askance at another quite similar gang of striplings? Isn't it infantile for the leaders of gänge to exchange mudball amenities and try to run the others out of the select circle in which they move?

Isn't it sad when a small family can't agree? When it divides off into little, scandal-whispering groups, where the faintest suspicions are rolled like sweet morsels under the tongues of petty dogs-in-the-manger, until someone's faith in humanity is shattered?

Isn't it pitiful that we, pampered children, "heirs of all the ages," with centuries of mistakes to look back upon, that we are so primitive in our feelings and actions on a college campus?

And isn't it the mark of a small mentality when we so misuse a paper as to make it a public proclamation of our shallow, little feelings? When we, by sly hints, and otherwise crudely, try to phrase our personal animosities so that someone may feel the weight of our displeasure? Is it not crude? Isn't it foolish to substitute for news of general interest notes, items, etc., that backbite and slander, and otherwise ruin someone's peace of mind as well as paper?

"Get next to yourself!" See just how far your uncharitable instincts are going to carry you in this "little game called life." Why not put away childish things? Isn't it time? Why not play fair and square? M. K. E.

EDITOR'S NOTE:

After reading this verbose criticism of the humorously critical columns of the Almanian, the above article is printed with trepidation. Evidently its author has suffered "the slings and arrows of outrageous fortune" (there are some mean "slings" in that "outrageous" Campusology column occasionally) and is taking this opportunity to "phrase her personal animosities so that someone will feel the weight of her displeasure" as she herself puts it. But if she is criticising in good faith, with no other purpose than to raise the journalistic standards, her thrust is not to be condemned and her thoughtfulness is to be commended.

It may interest the writer to know that the Editor does not approve of the Campusology column; and very seldom of the Wright Hall Notes. But if he undertook to eliminate all the contributed "cracks" which might hurt somebody's feelings, there would be no Campusology or Wright Hall Notes and then what would the poor girls have to look forward to every Tuesday afternoon.

The writers of these two "departments" have their antipathies and evidently they air them, but what censor has time to consider all the motives back of all the raucous comments. If the Editor thought for a moment that these columns were the ruin of the paper, he would clean house. But on the other hand, he knows that if these columns were kicked out the students would consider the paper ruined. And after all this is the STUDENT PUBLICATION.

IS IT FAIR?

The Athletic Board of Control has rendered its decision, and as a result Alma College will abandon intercollegiate athletics this spring. Regardless of what the outcome of the student vote on the question might have been, it was made clear that the final judgment rested entirely in the hands of the Board of Control, so the balloting actually would have had no influence in the final decision made by the Board.

Numerous students didn't even vote, because of this, and many of the girls, however interested they might have been in the ultimate outcome of the controversy, didn't even pay particular attention as to how they voted. Many of the fair sex have said so, and undoubtedly they were sincere in what they said.

It was cleverly arranged by the Board that there should be a vote on three separate issues, rather than just two, as should have been voted upon. As a result, there was a split vote, and those in favor of retaining the intercollegiate program of the past were the most numerous. Few of the students had any expectations that our college would abolish both baseball and track as an intercollegiate sport, which resulted in practically as many votes in favor of track as baseball. Had there been only a vote either for or against the spring intercollegiate program, is it not highly probable that there would have been a majority in favor of retaining intercollegiate athletics?

There are athletes in Alma College right now, who wouldn't have returned here this year, had they known (Continued on Page 3)

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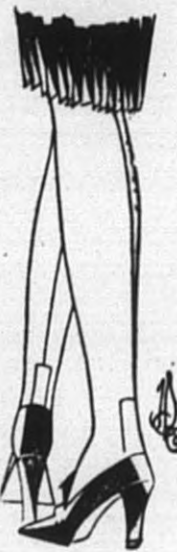
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Editor's Note—In response to the many inquiries (prompted of course by the multifarious "cracks" in this column last week) regarding the possibilities of submitting jokes to Campusology, let it be known that this is not a closed column, and that all those desiring to reciprocate may do so by placing the "expressions of their antipathies" in the Almanian Box.

With al. his amorous background one would almost think that Bob would have displayed a little more ability in the love scenes in "Craig's Wife." He didn't seem to know the "holds." Just one!

The Campusology Kids turned out to be prophets—we said that the Pride of East Jordan would be happy if "Red" would wander into town, and sure enough he journeyed over to spend his biggest holiday—St. Patrick's Day.

Look what Julius Caesar did for our Campus! Kermit and Bea! Jack and Helen!

Clyde was right in his element at the party—Wasn't he?

If St. Patrick could have seen the Scotchman at the party? Charlie Miller knows.

Yes, Dean reports for the Saginaw papers. He and his buddy "Morry" Crawford covered the girl's concert at Vassar Sunday night. Stopped at

Bennie's for dinner and crashed the gate with press passes.

Do you know what—Clyde is in love again. Ask him, "Going to Midland soon?"

We wonder if Mrs. Craig could stand for the competition of the trumpet?

Bret Heartt states that you can't go wrong on Wright Avenue.

HITS AND BITS FROM "CRAIG'S WIFE"

When the maid and the cook worked together, they sure swept up the dirt.

Oh! Walter, what shall I do?

Please stand by for station announcements—Roses—Roses.

Trudy seemed to be all for Prof's.

Yes, it's true, our own Robert is a Professor of Romance and only 27 too—too what? Romantic.

Famous words by famous actresses: "The man hasn't been born yet that I would check up on."

What a face on Mazie when she put on the sob act.

Pop, went the weazel when Mr. Craig's ire became aroused.

Could you figure out who the romantic fool was?

Even Trudy believes that everything she tells men, they do.

Warning—Keep away from the radiators.

From romanticism to heroism.

There is quite a bit of comment about Miss Frazier being a one man woman.

Three guesses who was the little messenger who came to the door?

Moe and Izzie—the detectives were typical sleuths.

One couldn't tell whether Louie borrowed Max's or Dan Adam's moustache.

Jack Cook was a regular play-boy.

One couldn't tell whether Buchanan was looking for a door or for Miss Landreth.

No, Mr. Craig did not kiss her on the ear.

Some people's age sure is deceiving—How's your daughter in Dayton?

Did you ever hear a woman whistle in the dark?

Anderson's and MacGregor's plug hats came in handy. The iron hats fitted perfectly.

It is rumored that Anderson could appreciate the Professor's part.

Miss Nugent thought she had misplaced her hat but much to her surprise she located it on the cook's head.

With that (Horn) any detective could smell at rat.

Bugle would have made a good detective also.

WRIGHT HALL NOTES

The Girl's Glee Club returned from its tour of Saginaw Valley last Sunday night. They reported an enjoyable trip and were particularly glad that they were not encumbered with luggage.

Ann Marie was overheard to actually confess her fondness for Dick. She was heard to say (more than enthusiastically) "Oh, gee, I like you Dick!"

Spudy and Holly weren't so unique after all—the yhad their color scheme out beforehand for the sport party.

Elsie Belle says she has the best eyes going. She made up a clever little poem about them, too.

It wasn't until the sport dance ended Saturday night that we discovered that Helen Temple was with Chuck and she hadn't staged it to the party after all. That's what Helen gets for picking out the president of the sophomore class.

Monsier Brummel is in love again—and with an out-of-town blonde this time. Perhaps he has found the exception to the rule at last.

The Drama Club of Kalamazoo College also produced "Craig's Wife," according to an article in the Index.

The Pleiad, in its last issue, paid tribute to Coach Daugherty whose teams have won all their M. I. A. A. games this school year. Albion has won 23 victories in the last 24 games.

MEANT AND COMMENT

"Craig's Wife" won the right to take a place as one of the big three in Alma College productions. It very favorably compared with "The Fool" and "The Enemy." The production was very near to the finished product as far as college dramatic circles go, and its defects were greatly outweighed by its strong points.

The interpretation made by the director was reflected in the work of the players, and the preconceived effect which stood out in relief in the last act was very fine. Miss Frances Cameron carried the responsibility of being the pivot figure very well, and the success of the production was determined to a great extent by her effective acting in the last few minutes of the play. Sharing in the honors as far as the acting was concerned, Clarence Moore proved that he has considerable ability and was well qualified to take the leading male role. In the words of Mazie, Mary Mason, "done well." It will be a happy day for the Drama Club when Miss Mason is given a part worthy of her best dramatic efforts. The young lady was more at ease than any other player and apparently is quite talented in dramatic work. The suggestion was made that Gertrude Walker was naturally fitted to play the role of Mrs. Frazier better than she was qualified to play her own. And that Miss Mackenzie would have been more at home as Ethel Landreth. This criticism has some basis in fact.

Numerous were the comments on Mr. Horn's pompadour—it had "that well-groomed appearance." Louis Zimmerman did not get a sore throat saying his lines but he looked the part and contributed much to the general effect.

The outstanding criticism which was heard was concerning the inability of the actors and actresses to cover up their "embarrassing moments." During the two "bad breaks"—one in the first and one in the third act—the players seemed at a loss (they were at a loss for words) but they could have bridged the gap very effectively with a few original sentences.

The usual weaknesses attendant upon every amateur production were in evidence; such as, inattentiveness to the speaker on the part of the other players on the stage, and the tendency to ignore the audience. The last mentioned criticism was particularly noticeable when one of the leading characters continually avoided looking in the general direction of the house. Another of the players seemed always to be thinking of "what was coming next" instead of feigning an interest in what the speaker was saying.

On the whole though, the performance was very fine and the director and his cast are to be complimented on their very intelligent dramatic interpretation of the play and its characters.

The play has been very popular in college circles, possibly because the moral of the first act is "don't tie yourself down to a college professor."

STUDENT FORUM

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There would have been no intercollegiate athletics this spring. The college authorities should have made that known last fall, or, at the latest, the beginning of the second semester, to give these fellows a chance to enter some other school, if they so desired. We have paid our student activities fee for this semester, and of some five dollars that goes toward athletics, the benefit of only three basketball games has been derived. We have to pay for the indebtedness that has accrued during the past. Now is it fair? What attempts there may be made to organize intra-mural athletics this spring will prove futile.

Alma College athletes in the past have come largely from Detroit. Do you suppose that the great majority of athletes that might have come here, had we retained intercollegiate spring athletics, will attend college here in the future. Most certainly not. A casual review of Alma athletics will reveal that most of our men have been versatile, and indulged in at least three major sports. As a result of the action taken, these all-around athletes will not be among us in the future. G.A.

LOVE LYRIC OF A FOOL

A fool am I and she a queen
The secret object of my love;
For me she has naught but disdain.
I pray to God in heaven above,
I die beneath my weight of pain,
That she might sorrow at the scene.

I am a fool; she would not so.
"Bury the fool," I hear her say.
Why is my love for one so cruel?
My heart, I cannot give it nay;
The feelings over reason rule;
I'm driven, can not choose but go.

The way of a fool. She loves me not;
She drives an arrow in my heart
When I long for her and she does not see;

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Nor ever my name of "Fool" forgot.

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STUDENT FORUM

THE LIBRARY—WHY NOT

Now that the library is completely remodelled why don't the students use it more? Professors recommend the library but the recommendations are rarely followed. Such lack of interest is due to several reasons but the greatest prohibitor of library use is the rules that govern the institution. Especially detrimental is the rule regarding stack privileges.

The book stacks are open to Seniors; but if abused, this privilege will be withdrawn. This means that Seniors, only, are allowed association with that collection of books. Juniors, Sophomores, and Freshmen must be content to call for books through the charging desk. Has it ever been considered that one hesitates to call for all the books on a certain subject? Yet there is no better way to choose the book you desire than to compare all the available books in that field. For extensive reference work stack permission is essential.

Seniors who take advantage of their privilege tell us that the library is really an enjoyable place. Yet, we who have to call for every book, hear the tramp of the desk girls, and wait for our book, lose time, temper and interest. And all because we cannot procure the book ourselves.

Fourth year students, when granted this rare privilege are not prepared to take full advantage of it. Would not one be more acquainted with the books on the shelves if he had spent even a little time among those shelves during the preceding three years? We, who are to be the Seniors of the next few years would profit immeasurably by being allowed access to the stacks now. The rule regarding abuses would still hold good and could be enforced. Why then, can't this rule be revised to include at least Juniors if not all Alma College students?

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

A special meeting of the Student Council was called by the president, Homer Barlow, on Wednesday evening, March 13.

A discussion concerning the advisability of dropping spring athletics took place. Angell moved, Taylor seconded that the secretary write to the State Journal and Detroit Free Press asking that the headlines be rectified. It was carried. Mann moved, Angell seconded, that the part of this discussion concerning the percentage of student activities fee used for spring athletics be dropped until the next meeting. It was carried.

Mann moved, Beuthin seconded, that the band capes be sent to the Star Dyers and Cleaners for cleaning. It was carried.

A discussion followed as to the future programs for the Student Chapels. Immediate programs were taken care of and Angell moved, Kaiser supported that all further business in connection with Student Chapels be postponed until the next meeting of the council should take place. It was carried. Adjournment.

The regular meeting of the Student Council was called to order by the President on Tuesday evening, March 5.

A bill for \$10 at Caple's was presented. It was moved and supported that this bill be allowed. It was passed.

The sophomore class submitted the date of March 16 for the approval of the Council on which to hold an informal sport party in Wright Hall. Beuthin moved, Mann seconded that the sophomores be granted this date. It was carried. Adjournment.

Respectfully submitted,
Lewise Salmon, secretary.

EXCHANGES

Albion freshmen are going to force Seniors to wear pots next year, TOO! (or something like that). The following appeared in the Plead:

FROSH BEWARE

Frosh, you have gone long enough without wearing your pots. The sophomore class is checking on you. The Ka'amazoo is clear of ice, but still cold. An Albion tradition is at stake. Freshman humility must be brought back to the campus. Frosh beware! Wear your pots!

Oratory and Debate are the two phases of extra-curricular activity in which Hope College specializes. Commenting on the recent Oratorical Contest the Anchor said: "The past few weeks have been ignominiously disastrous in a multiplicity of ways. To begin with we dropped a "hard-fought" game to Calvin. While we were still smarting under this defeat, the Calvin Debaters succeeded in taking both our Negative and Affirmative Teams into camp. Then as a climax to this imposing losing streak, we were beaten decisively enough in the M. O. L. so as to put ourselves beyond the pale of excuses. If things continue the way they are going where will the tradition be for our children to glory in?" (Now they can add the basketball defeat at Alma's hands).

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