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FROSH WIN ANNUAL TUG-OF-WAR

Alma Defeats Central State in Dual Track Meet 76-46

CAMPUS DAY EVENT LEAVES SOPHS WET

Frosh Also Win Ball Game And Burn Pots During Campus Day Program

Alma College traditions were once again observed when May fifteenth was declared a legal holiday and the whole student and faculty group temporarily ceased their activities as diligent seekers of wisdom and united to revel in the numerous festivities of the annual Campus Day.

The Terpsichorean festival of Tuesday night served as a very delightful preface to the main volume of Wednesday's activities and everybody—especially the Scotch—seemed to enjoy the "free" party. Another one on the Student Council.

Although "rain and colder" had been the perpetual forecast and order of events for the past two weeks, Old Sol came out from behind the clouds long enough to smile warmly on the Campus Day revelers and make the weather ideal for the truants' activities.

The first and biggest event on the program was the traditional Freshmen and Sophomore Tug-of-War across, and as it later proved, through the icy waters of Honeyoye Creek. The valiant, but no longer verdant, members of the glorious Class of 1932 needed only three minutes to drag their older but weaker brothers through the frigid and muddy waters. Coach Campbell started the contest with his whistle and from the minute the pullers dropped to the ground there was little doubt that the Freshmen would have a comparatively easy time of it. The men pulling for the green standard were captained by Perry Gray and Harry Wehrley, while the losers were led by their class president, Charley Miller. The teams were: (Frosh) Potter, Byron, McClelland, Schimmers, Lyman, Sharpe, Kessel, Novak, Nessel, Hileman; (Sophs) Seidel, Lang, Boutin, Gussin, Heartt, Odle, Sharpe, Wheaton, Hicks, Brown. The entire male population of the second year group followed their defeated comrades through the slimy, and icied creek. When the disgruntled and chastened Sousemores gained the other bank they made a pretense of ducking the victors but the efforts of the winners abetted by the authority of the Student Marshall repulsed the onslaught of the vanquished. Then those who were "all wet" and those who were all right went home.

Some of the poorer citizens of the Sophomore constituency, who avoided the dampening process, were later unceremoniously submerged into the chilly waters of the Pine, Dale Dickerson and Hebe Heberlein were among the first victims and expressed regrets that they had not shared the fate of their brothers during the morning seance.

At the noon hour the Head Swipe and his cohorts served lunch under the trees in the grove and everyone seemingly enjoyed the repast of meat loaf, scollaped potatoes, cabbage salad, fruit and cookies.

During the early part of the afternoon some slept off the ill-effects which resulted from their gluttonous behavior during the noon hour, and others journeyed out to the golf links or to Bass Lake. At two-thirty the baseball game between the Freshmen and Upperclassmen got under way and the contest was marked by many errors and little hitting. The Freshmen again claimed the heavy end of the score but the other team was handicapped by the umpire and their own right fielder.

At four o'clock the dual track and field meet between the Central State Teachers College Freshmen and the Alma yearling thinclads began, and in this activity the first year boys added another posy to their laurels by decisively defeating their up-state rivals, 76-46.

After dinner, time was taken out for a rest period until ten o'clock, when the pot-burning ceremonies began in a downpour of rain. However, this did not dampen the ardor of any of the parties concerned and the pro-

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STUDENTS ENJOY "WHITTIER" PROGRAM

Chapel talks of a biographical nature are evidently very acceptable to the student and faculty groups. Numerous were the favorable comments regarding the brief review of the life and works of John Greenleaf Whittier presented by Professor Tyler during the Friday morning Chapel exercises.

The speaker reviewed the poet's early life at Haverhill and Amesbury, adding a few personal touches based on a visit to the old New England homestead. The speaker prefaced his remarks by a brief quotation from Arlo Bates, "No intelligent reader can afford to have passed by in neglect the pleasant sweetness of Longfellow, or the wholesome soundness of Whittier, the mystic sensuousness of Rossetti, or the voluptuous melodiousness of Swinburne." Mention was made of Whittier's early contributions which led to his friendship with William Lloyd Garrison, and of the poet's love for Evelina Brey, a daughter of a wealthy Marblehead merchant, whom Whittier could not marry because of religious differences—she was an Episcopalian and Whittier a Quaker.

After a glance at "Skipper Ireson" who was so severely but unjustly chastised by the women of Marblehead because they believed that he voluntarily refused aid to a distressed vessel when in reality he was forced to leave them unaided, the "Barefoot Boy" and the school house "that still sits by the road, a ragged beggar sunning," the speaker closed his discourse by briefly discussing Stedman's statement that, "The Puritans had two gods, Deus and Diabolus. The Quakers recognized the former alone, and chiefly through his incarnation as the Prince of Peace." In his few explanatory remarks, Professor Tyler brought out the point that this is essentially the attitude of the Quakers and it was so well exemplified by the Quakers' humanitarian efforts in the late war. The speaker prophesied that some day a book will be written which will do justice to this unusual group of people.

'THIRTEENTH CHAIR' GREATLY ENJOYED

Drama Club Mystery Directed By Amos Ruddock Pleases Large Audience

Another dramatic success crowned the efforts of the College Drama Club when the members of the organization presented Bayard Veiller's "Thirteenth Chair" at the Strand Theatre last Friday evening. Under the very able direction of Amos Ruddock, the first mystery drama that the organization has every attempted, was excellently staged and met the approval of the large audience which completely filled the orchestra seats of the house.

The selection of the "Thirteenth Chair" as the final production for the academic year proved to be an exceptionally good one and it maintained the high standards and retained the excellent reputation for which the Drama Club has been known in the past three years of its activity.

The burden of the responsibility for the successful presentation of the play rested upon the shoulders of the director, Mr. Ruddock and because an unusual measure of success was attendant upon his efforts, much of the praise must be given to Mr. Ruddock. The members of the cast voluntarily testified that he was a capable, conscientious and patient director and it was a pleasure to work under him.

The adaptability of the individuals to their roles and the interesting plot of the drama, coupled of course with the able directing, place the "Thirteenth Chair" on a par with any of the 1928-29 productions which the organization has attempted.

"Who killed Edward Wales?" and "Who killed Spencer Lee?" were the two questions which the evidence of the drama answered—and answered dramatically and effectively. Of course there was a woman in the case (a

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NOMINEES NAMED FOR CAMPUS JOBS

Logan And Pomeroy Are Rivals For Almanian Editorship

At the last regular meeting of the Student Council of the College nominations were made for the offices of Editor of the Almanian, Business Manager of the Almanian, Manager of Oratory and Debate, and Representative to the Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association.

The nominees for the editorship of the Almanian are Mr. Leland Pomeroy of Crosswell, Michigan, and Mr. Harold Logan of Niles.

Mr. Pomeroy is a member of the Junior Class and of Phi Phi Alpha fraternity. He is at present Circulation Manager of the Maroon and Cream, the annual publication of the Junior Class. Pomeroy has been a member of the College Band and of the Glee Club and has shown a marked interest in the activities of the Campus. He has been an occasional contributor to the columns of the Almanian, and in his contributions has evidenced an ability to write with a considerable deference to thought and form. Mr. Pomeroy would undoubtedly edit the student publication in a very acceptable manner if elected.

Mr. Harold Logan, the other aspirant for the editorial crown, is also a member of the Junior Class. He was President of the Class of 1930 during his Freshman year, and at present is Business Manager of the Maroon and Cream. Mr. Logan is a member of Phi Sigma Pi, the scholastic honorary society of the campus, and has distinguished himself in the classroom more than in any other field since his advent to the Campus three years ago. He is "Head Swipe" at Wright Hall, and a member of Zeta Sigma fraternity. Like his opponent he has also demonstrated his ability to write intelligible sentences.

For Business Manager of the Almanian we find Winston Thomas and George Kaiser after the "majority vote." "Win" was an aspirant for the job last year and was defeated by the narrow margin of one vote. Mr. Thomas is again deserving of the consideration of the campus, for he has proved himself an excellent member of the student group and has done a remarkable work among the younger folks of the community. Thomas is a Junior and a member of Beta Tau Epsilon.

Mr. Kaiser has had some experience in the managerial field. For the past year he has been manager of the Athletic Association and although that organization has not enjoyed a bulging treasury, it is not the fault of the manager. Kaiser is a Zeta Sigma and will be a Senior next year.

The job of managing the student publication is not an arduous task nor does it take unusual ability along managerial lines. It does demand that a man have a sense of responsibility for it is one of the few contacts that the college group makes with the Alma merchant.

For Manager of Oratory and Debate we find two debaters in the running. Mr. Francis Angell, the present incumbent, has done very well at the job and has unstintingly given his time and effort in the performance of his duties.

However, Mr. Amos Ruddock has shown a decided interest in forensics and is undoubtedly qualified to perform the duties of the position. Mr. Ruddock is a Sophomore while Mr. Angell is a Junior.

Mr. Delbert MacGregor and Mr. Edgar Karpp would represent the College on the council of the M. I. A. A. Both men are athletes and deeply interested in the athletic welfare of the institution. A vote for either of them is "a vote for good representation."

CAMPUS ELECTIONS

Balloting for Campus offices will be held in the Ad Building Thursday morning. The polls will open at 10:00 and close at 12:00 noon.

SCHOLARSHIP WORTH MORE STATES REES

Scholarship is worth 50 per cent more to the college student than the contacts, social or athletic, which he makes at school, according to Colonel R. I. Rees, assistant vice president of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company, who addressed a luncheon meeting of the Western Universities Club of New York City recently.

Colonel Rees said that many students today believe that social activity at college is most important. A survey of 4,000 men in his company who have been out of college from twenty-five to thirty years shows, he says, that on a salary and earning basis later in life the "grinds" are half again as successful as the "glad-handers." Dividing the student's time into the classes—studies, extra-curricular activities and work to earn their way through college—Colonel Rees said that the last class appears to be steadily increasing. Although the wage earning may interfere to some extent with scholastic attainment, he said, it does not interfere with a man's earning capacity in later years.

In an interview after the luncheon he said that a student should choose a practical line of endeavor about which to center his school work and that this choice should be made as early as possible and not later than before graduation from high school. The work in helping students make this choice which is being done by the National Association for Vocational Guidance and the American Council of Education might well be encouraged and promoted by the Bureau of Education of the Federal Department of the Interior, he said.

Colonel Rees spoke of the Institute of Human Relations at Yale University as a plan which will do more to help orient the students and give them a more definite conception of the ultimate aims of life than any recent development in high education.

BENGALS SHUTOUT FRESHMEN, 8 - 0

Albaugh's Tigers Will Battle Cubs In Decoration Day Game

Monday night of last week found the Tigers headed by their hurler, Albaugh, strengthening their claim as contenders for the titular crown by downing the yearlings under the direction of Potter, by a 8 to 0 count. This gives the Bengals two wins and no defeats to rate along side of Yageman's Cubs who have won three games.

The battle between Potter and Albaugh resolved itself into a pitchers dual for a couple innings. Then the upperclassmen got their eyes glued on the offerings of the big Traverse youth and began to fatten their batting average. Garnering several runs in the third inning they kept increasing the count in every other frame to count up a sizable score by the time nine innings had been played. "Jim" kept the couple hits collected off his offerings well scattered so that the frosh didn't even threaten to score. For their bunch the pitcher himself proved the hitting star batting out the pellet like a pitcher usually doesn't do. For the Tigers most of the boys succeeded in collecting a hit, at least they hit the ball enough to win the game.

So as this game completed the scheduled ones for the season, barring those which were rained out, it looks as though the two college varsity teams would be fighting it out on Memorial Day for the season's honors. If after the left over bouts are finished, the teams line up as predicted, baseball fans should see a real battle on the 31st of this month. Yageman pitches a brand of ball which takes several innings to connect with, and if he manages to make that even impossible as he's been known to do, it will be a "bad day for the opposing

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FRESHMEN EASILY OUTPOINT TEACHERS

Hause, Wehrley, Tarrant And Williams Win Firsts In Holiday Meet

Alma Freshmen added another to its Campus Day victories when their track team outclassed a like aggregation from Mt. Pleasant on the track and field, winning from them by a thirty point margin. The meet was all Alma's from the crack of the first gun when Hause sped over the cinders to win the 100 yard dash, until that same Hause carried the baton in the final lap of the relay to finish far ahead of his Central State rival.

Wehrley on the field, and Hause on the track, each accounted for three first places, and they were followed closely by Tarrant who took firsts in the high jump and in the broad jump. Williams, Graham, and Long accounted for the remaining three first places garnered by the Maroon and Cream yearlings.

Handicapped by a strong head wind and a soft, muddy track, the runners were unable to tamper with records, although very good time was recorded in all the events; 10.9 for the 100 yard dash, 23.7 for the 220 yard dash, 56.2 for the 440, 2.15 for the half mile, and 5.24 for the mile.

Central State was especially weak in the distance events. In both the mile and the half mile Alma took all three places with hardly a particle of competition. There was only one event in which Alma failed to take a first or a second, the 120 yard high hurdles, and in this run, Shelledy of Alma placed third.

The Alma boys took firsts in all except one of the field events, the javelin throw, and in almost every case they won without exertion. In the pole vault, Wehrley placed first at a height of ten feet five and a half. He also placed first in the discus, with a throw of a hundred and nine feet and four inches, and in the shot put with a throw of thirty five feet and nine inches. Tarrant won the high jump at twenty feet six and three quarters inches. None of these marks equalled their performance at Michigan State College last week.

The complete summary is as follows: 100 yard dash: Hause (A), Carlson (C), Schelke (C). Time 10.9. Mile run: Graham (A), Crawford (A), Gould (A). Time 5:24. 220 yard dash: Hause (A), Carlson (C), Merry (A). Time 23.7. 120 yard high hurdles: Dolzell (C), Petiprin (C), Shelledy (A). Time 18.6. 440 yard dash: Schelke (C), Muscott (A), McQuaig (A). Time 56.2. 220 yard low hurdles: Long (A), Dolzell (C), Petiprin (C). Time 29.7. Half mile: Williams (A), Crawford (A), Koetichlein (A). Time 2:15.6. Pole vault: Wehrley (A), Anderson (C), Muscott (A). Height 10 ft. 5 1/2 in. Discus: Wehrley (A), Knirk (C), Branes (C). Distance 109 ft. 4 in. High jump: Tarrant (A), Anderson and Smith (C) tied for second. Height 5 ft. 3 in. Javelin: Graybell (C), Moore (A), French (C). Distance 147 ft. 7 in. Broad Jump: Tarrant (A), Dolzell (C), Anderson (C). Distance 20 ft. 6 3/4 in. Shot Put: Wehrley (A), Gray (A), Graybell (C). Distance 35 ft. 9 in.

The relay race was won by the Alma team, composed of McQuaid, Long, Muscott and Hause in one minute and forty-one seconds.

These two teams will meet again on May 25th at Mt. Pleasant, and another very good exhibition can be expected.

TAU SIGMA GAMMA MEETING

Jade, amber, mandarin coats, incense burners, pottery and cloth of gold are only a few of the things that Mrs. Clack showed to the Tau Sigma Gamma's Monday evening, May 13, at the home of Miss Nickerson.

Mrs. Clack has been to China many times and has a unique collection of Chinese household and dress articles. Through the kindness of Miss Nickerson, the Tau Sigma Gammas were allowed this opportunity.

Miss Nickerson served Jasmine flower tea with her refreshments.

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THE CLASS OF 1932

Every man is considered innocent until proved guilty. Every Freshman class is considered ignoble until it proves it's mental and physical prowess—quite the reverse order of things.

The present Freshman class was regarded with no small measure of contempt until it handily ripped the Sophomore colors from the flag pole on Davis Field one early morning last September. And even after it had showed a glimmer of intelligence in the first year achievement tests, the rest of the student group still commented disparaging, "They're only Freshmen."

Then, although individuals of the group attained some success in forensics and athletics, their older compatriots were still wont to scoff at their evident accomplishments.

But "it is a long road that has no turn," and "never yet was noble man but made ignoble talk," and so when the morning sun of Campus Day shone down on a half a score of valiant yearlings tugging and dragging their self-appointed betters through the swampy mire of Honeyoye Creek, the attitude of the Campus suffered a belated reversal of form and the Class of 1932 was justly acclaimed one of the best Freshmen classes that ever bought Chapel tickets or carved its initials on the walls of Pioneer Hall!

THE CAMPUS DAY DAMPER

After eulogizing the Freshmen it seems like striking a discordant note to mention, almost in the same breath, the unfair, illegal and unsportsmanlike treatment which the wearers of the green received at the hands of the jealous and inferior Sophomores, whom they so handily defeated in both of the traditional free and open encounters of the college year.

It is quite apparent that if the Sophomores had been able to defeat their younger brothers in the Flag Rush and the Tug-of-war, they would not have resorted to the foul and underhanded tactics which they used last Wednesday night in expressing their traditional antipathy. Their cowardly and dangerous methods have no precedent in the annals of Alma Campus Day activities.

It is recognized that the Freshmen probably deserved some chastisement—being Freshmen, but slugging, kicking and pounding have no place in Alma's ethical standards—even in the treatment of "only Freshmen."

But then Sophomores were not the only ones implicated in the ruthless affair—a few upperclassmen, with Sophomore instincts, took advantage of the situation to do some hitting in the dark. Profane mutterings and threatenings failed to improve the polluted atmosphere. When someone blatantly suggested that the Class of 1932 seek to improve its condition in the infernal regions, the first year boys would have been justified in picking up their pots and going home.

There are some students on the Campus who have condoned, even approved, the outrageous methods employed at Wednesday's unpleasant seance. Their attitude is as contemptible as the ruffians' deeds were despicable.

It was a miserable finale to the Campus Day program and it is the fervent wish of all respectable students that there will never be a recurrence of the shameful episode on the Alma Campus.

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STUDENT FORUM

Sometime in the life of every High School boy there comes a dream of college life which is generally promoted by stories told by the home town boys who have returned from their first year in college. There rises above the pictures of tedious study and thrilling athletic contests a vivid vision of the traditional antagonism between the Sophs and the Frosh. On one side is the group characterized by recklessness, and on the other, a crowd decidedly verdant and unsophisticated. And during the frequent struggles the erudite Juniors and the grave Seniors stand by ready to cheer a brilliant move, and equally alert to criticize an error.

To those of the class of '32 of Alma College what a delusion this has been, for we find the Sophomores obscured behind a committee of these same erudite and grave upper classmen, who in other colleges form the background! The acknowledged intellectual superiority of this group in other schools keeps the members above these petty activities.

Campus Day served to impress this illusion upon the Frosh, for a taste of this Soph-Frosh Spirit in the tug-of-war and the pot-burning ceremony convinced us that this is the savor of life in other colleges. Why, we wonder, must the college for which we are beginning to feel more than a little love, be different in one of the traditions which makes college life more vital? The cry of the Freshman is, "let the Sophomores bear the burden of taking care of the yearlings, and not impose the task upon those upper classmen who certainly have enough with which to concern themselves without being troubled with their verdant fellow-students." Is it too much to hope that there may be a change to this method which characterizes similar institutions, and that our college year at Alma shall be marked by that spirit of Frosh-Soph competition which Campus Day has demonstrated as an asset to the spirit of our school.

To speak of that Campus Day, however, without commenting upon the unfairness of the closing feature of that occasion would be decidedly neglectful. As a whole, the pot-burning event and the "program" preceding it, were taken by the Frosh in the spirit of fun, but when blackened eyes, badly bruised elbows, and above all, kicks when one is on the ground, were administered, there arose a feeling of enmity which cannot easily be placated.

Again, in the sanguine vein, may we hope that in the future this most unfair corporal chastisement will be supplanted by ridiculing which will serve more effectively to keep even the most cocky and obnoxious Freshman in his place, without incurring any of the personal animosity to which the present system, by its very nature, gives rise.

C. Douglas McLellan.

EXEMPTIONS

"He is an athlete," calls the guardian of the door as the frosh comes forth from the inner room, "be careful with him." The line of initiators parts, the frosh goes through untouched. Why, we ask, does he not receive the same humbling ceremony which the rest must go through? "Coach's orders" calls the guardian of the door. But we wonder what there is about this humbling process that the athlete should be exempted from it.

At this point I would plead with you to understand me, I do not for one moment object to the athlete being exempted. I do not say that this is so because he is afraid, for if he were given his choice he would take whatever was given to the others. He has given the last ounce of his strength many a time on the field of battle that his Alma Mater might be victorious and thus a little hazing (Continued on Page 4)

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impossibility. But do we as a student group treat these business men fairly when we attempt to transform Pioneer Hall into a retail clothing establishment; when we award contracts, supposedly on a competitive basis, but tell one competitor the other man's price that he may bid five dollars cheaper?

One justified criticism of college students is that they have no "business sense" or sense of responsibility. The financial dealings of the college student are usually slipshod and irregular. There is a tendency to overlook this fault in the student but if this policy continues the fault will not be corrected and students will go out into the world of business unprepared for its demands.

The students and organizations of this Campus can partially express their appreciation of the good-will of the business men by dealing with these merchants in a fair and businesslike manner. Then too, the business men will gain confidence in the student group and that attitude must inevitably benefit the College.

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**Campus Day Event
Dampens Sophomores**

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cess of transforming Freshmen into college men began with a BANG! After the upperclassmen had administered a comforting hand to the disillusioned first year men, the latter made a hurried exit out the rear door of the Gymnasium only to be greeted once more by their hated antagonists, the Sophs. The Class of 1931, still hoping to subdue their proven betters, and basking in the sun of upperclass approval, grabbed their unsuspecting and helpless victims and by "any manner of means" kicked and punched those who had so ably and repeatedly humbled them, into sullen submission. After the bulldozing had ceased the begrimed and greasy members of the first year aggregation formed a circle around the fire and throwing their pots into the blaze, shouted and sang themselves into a new state of freedom. The rain was still descending in torrents and as soon as the fire had been quenched the tired and muddy revelers hurried home to bed. It was a great Campus Day and although there were the usual un-

pleasantries for the Freshmen (the Sophs, too), the next morning found everyone back in the classroom ready to resume the duties attendant upon the educational routine.

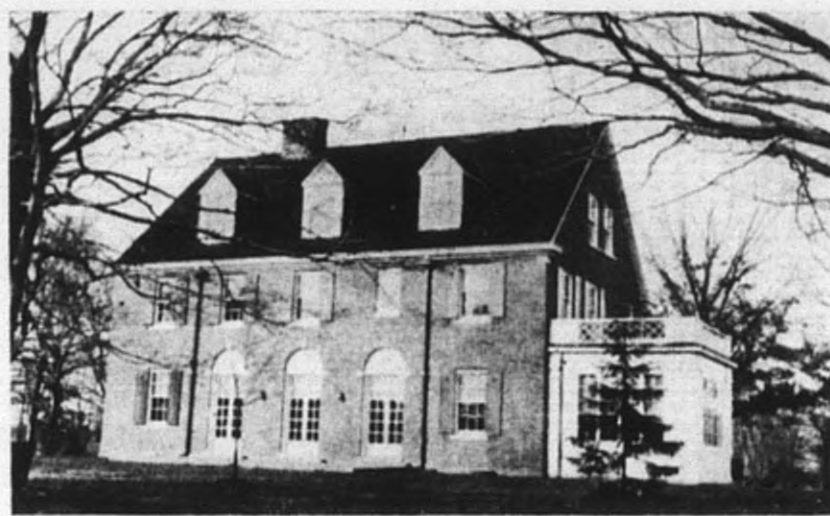
**SENIORS HAVE
"SWING-OUT" CHAPEL**

Making their initial appearance in academic robes, the Seniors marched into Chapel yesterday morning and ceremoniously took their seats to be officially recognized as Seniors by the speaker, President Crooks, and the entire student body.

Dr. Crooks spoke briefly concerning the prospect of graduation and its attendant responsibilities, and summarily reviewed the history of preceding Senior classes of Alma College. With an admitted warning note in his remarks the President informed the graduating students that the honor and reputation of their Alma Mater rested in their hands—for a college is judged by its alumni.

The very impressive service was concluded by a prayer for guidance in the new world of responsibilities and opportunity in which the Seniors will soon find themselves.

Scene of enjoyable dinner last night.



The male members of the Freshmen Class were delightfully entertained by Dr. and Mrs. Crooks at the President's home last evening. The boys enjoyed the lovely dinner and all were enthu-

siastic over the well-known Crooks hospitality. This event came as the finishing touch to a year of Freshman successes.

CAMPUSOLOGY



JUST WHO WILL HAVE THE HUDSON FOR THE REST OF THE YEAR?

Dobber has found other worlds to conquer!

When Alden saw the K. I. favors he was heard to remark, "It must have been an awfully small cow!"

Dorothea is glad that the play is over—Amos has more time—for her!

Jake had to pinch himself when the curtain went up on the "Thirteenth Chair." He thought he saw himself!

Elaine didn't look a bit worried!

Logan was beaten to the matrimonial wire by one Edward Horn.

Francis Wood had a Hull of a time at the Kappa Iota formal!

Arozian really did look a year older the next morning after his birthday.

Didn't Mary K. act natural?

Hoby will have a perfect social average for the year.

Bill Owen and Jake Westfall ought to be running for M. I. A. A. representative.

Didn't "Fran" Cameron tell a whopper in the play. "She really isn't affectionate," Bret says.

Max ruined his record for "consecutive dates"—Helen was ill two nights.

The Senior President looked a little out of place Monday in his natty tan ensemble.

KAPPA IOTA MEETING

The meeting of the Kappa Iota Literary Society was called to order May 13, by the President, Katherine Lehner. Roll call was answered by the life and works of some actor or actress. The program consisted of a clever reading given by Betty Gilbert, and a group of popular numbers sung by Margaret McMillan and Mary Lib Farshar. After the business session, the meeting adjourned.

**"Thirteenth Chair"
Greatly Enjoyed**

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number of them) and unrequited love again made a man desperate enough to do murder. Philip Mason had loved the girl whom Spencer Lee had married and so the former plotted and killed the man who had ruined his happiness. In order to protect himself he murdered Lee's friend, Edward Wales, so that the latter could never make known the identity of the man who had committed the crime. The plot and its disclosure centers around a spiritualistic seance in which Wales through the medium is about to learn the identity of the assassin of Spencer Lee, when Mason by means of a trick knife stabs him in the back. Helen O'Neill is accused of the crime because she went to Lee's room and secured some letters about the time of the murder, but she is released as a suspect when her mother, the medium, by means of trickery and a spiritualistic revelation forces Philip Mason to admit both killings. The role of Madame La Grange, the

medium, played by Mary K. Burt, was exceptionally well done. The part was a difficult one but Miss Burt gave it a very intelligent interpretation and proved a capable pivot character upon which the action of the play turned.

Don Horton, in the role of the detective, Tim Donohue, did some excellent acting and the President of the Club is to be complimented upon his ability to speak, almost faultlessly, the great number of lines which accompanied the part.

Will Crosby and Helen O'Neill, played by Alan Dean and Naomi McQuaid respectively, were central figures in the production and provided the little flame of romanticism which burned fitfully throughout mystery. Miss McQuaid's part was quite difficult and the young lady, in her initial appearance upon the Alma stage, acquitted herself admirably.

One criticism of the productions in the past has been that the individuals playing the maturer roles did not look the part nor were they adapted to their roles. This comment cannot be made concerning Friday night's production, for Edward Horn and Margaret McMillan as the elders of the group played their parts effectively and, although not so advanced in years in actuality, they seemed quite mature in their roles as father and mother. It would be a dire oversight not to mention the work of the murderer and murdered, Joseph Taylor and Clarence Moore were quite at home in front of the audience and gave the house a very exceptional bit of melodramatic performance.

The other members of the cast ably supported the central characters, in fact, the "Thirteenth Chair" was marked by a better supporting cast than any other production which the Club has presented this year. Dan Adams scored a hit the first time he ceremoniously, even pompously, waddled through the doorway as the bewhiskered butler. Zimmerman again boasted a misplaced wig but made a slight addition to his make-up by placing a two-bit meerschaum between his teeth. Doolan did a very discolored repeat on A! Jolson's very popular act.

It was a good play and the numerous comments acclaiming its success bear testimony to the fact that the audience found it most entertaining and acceptable.

The Drama Club as a whole is to be congratulated upon this final success and it is the hope of the student body that the organization will continue to be an active and contributing member on the Alma Campus.

**KAPPA IOTA FORMAL
IS DELIGHTFUL AFFAIR**

The annual spring formal of the Kappa Iota Literary Society was held last Saturday evening at the Park Hotel, St. Louis.

The tables were arranged along the sides of the dining room to give space for dancing between courses. It was really hard to eat and listen to the orchestra at the same time, but hunger temporarily over-ruled the dancing urge. Each gentleman present found at his place a splendid leather pendant with the Kappa Iota insignia upon it. Not only is this favor unusual but it will adequately serve as a remembrance of a wonderful party.

The girls were lovely in their beautiful gowns. They say that clothes do not make the woman, but they surely do make a big difference in the men. Anyone would be proud to be at such a social gathering, and he surely wouldn't forget it easily.

In spite of the fact that one of the orchestra men was absent, the music was fine, as was evidenced by the applause that followed each number.

Picture twenty-three happy couples enjoying a king's repast. Now imagine these same couples in a dimly lighted room swaying to the strains of music furnished by Ward Kelley and his band from Michigan State College. If you have visualized all of this, you have merely an inadequate mental portrayal of the Kappa Iota Formal.

The chaperons were Dean Florence M. Steward, President and Mrs. H. M. Crooks, Coach and Mrs. R. R. Campbell, Professor and Mrs. J. W. Ewer.

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Rhodes Scholarship Election Held Soon

The 1929 election of Rhodes Scholars will be held on December 7, and students of this College must file their applications with the Secretary of the State Committee of Selection before October 19, according to a recent announcement from Frank Aydelotte, American Secretary to the Rhodes Trustees and President of Swarthmore College.

A Rhodes Scholarship, the most coveted of all under-graduate awards, entitles the holder to two years of study at Oxford University, with an annual stipend of 400 pounds (about \$2,000). If, at the end of the second year the Scholar presents an approved plan for an additional year's study, the Rhodes Trustees will then extend his Scholarship to cover a third year. Rhodes Scholars are elected without examination on the basis of their records in school and college, and no restriction is placed upon their choice of studies.

To be eligible a candidate must be an unmarried male citizen of the United States, between the ages of nineteen and twenty-five, and must have completed at least his Sophomore year in college before the time he goes to Oxford. He must then be one of the men chosen to represent this institution in the competition. Scholars selected on December 7, 1929, will go to Oxford in October 1930.

The qualities which will be considered in making the selection are literary and scholastic ability and attainments, qualities of manhood, truth, courage, and moral force of character, and physical vigor as shown in outdoor sports or other ways. Exceptional athletic prowess is not essential to election.

Further information and application blanks may be obtained from the President's office or from President Frank Aydelotte, American Secretary, at Swarthmore, Pa.

STUDENT FORUM

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wouldn't bother him much. But it is "Coach's orders."

Let's get to the point, why did Coach give such orders? Was it because the ceremony was dangerous physically? Maybe it is, for as a track man came from the door someone called, "be careful of his legs". Is it disturbing to the nervous system? It must be, otherwise an athlete wouldn't be exempt from a now extinct paddling party, which effected mostly his nerves.

But here is what I am trying to get you to see. If such processes are harmful to the athlete who is physically fit and is not as nervous as those who are not out for athletics, then how much more harmful are they to those who are just students. Is it fair to those who already have weaker bodies to subject them to dangerous punishment and let the strong go untouched? No, there is no justice in it. What is harmful for one is harmful for all, and all should be treated the same.

Winston Thomas.

Bengals Shutout Freshmen, 8-0

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Almies." Albaugh has pitched superb ball thus far this season, and aided by warmer weather which is an asset to his style, he will more than carry his load as a hurler.

Campus Day Game

To provide entertainment for the few interested fans and more than that to give the boys practice, a baseball game was held on the afternoon of the now famous Campus Day. Albaugh's Tigers, with ranks including some irregulars, were forced to taste the dregs of defeat offered from the glasses of the yearling outfit.

Be it known at the outset, however, that the pitchers opposing each other were not matched. Potter hurled for his own team as usual while Gussin took the slab for the Tigers. That difference in the pitching may or may not have had something to do with the final count after nine innings of play.

Anyway plenty of credit is due the yearlings and their 3 to 2 margin of victory is given without any further amends. The upper classmen scored first only to be tied up and finally passed. It was due to errors rather than the hitting prowess of the frosh that accounted for their win. Errors on the part of the losing team, of course.

The personnel of the two teams was as follows. For the Freshmen Orvis, Horning, Phillips, Budd, Royer, Grogan, Kessel, Cook, and Potter performed. Albaugh's team was made up of the following beside himself, Wagner, Gussin, Pezet, Angell, Arozian, Fritz, Knapp, Hicks, and then their worthy substitute, Carson Clapp, who more than filled the suit vacated by Wagner before the game ended.

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