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EDITH DAVIS, KEN OLLIS TAKE FIRST IN ORATORY

CLARE WILSON AND SHEILA LITTLETON GIVEN SECOND AND THIRD HONORS IN WOMEN'S MEET

No Upperclass Women Compete In Splendid Contest Thursday Night

The Women's Oratorical Contest on Wednesday night may well have been called "Freshman Night," or even "Clawson Night," for the winner of both first and second places are among the new students on the Campus, and also are from the same town, Clawson, Michigan, where they received their early training under the experienced guidance of a former Alma student.

Miss Edith Davis, speaking on "Our Social I. Q.," was awarded first place. Her oration was a masterpiece of thought and composition, and was delivered in a style altogether pleasing and convincing. Miss Davis has a fine platform presence and a voice of unusually splendid quality, and will undoubtedly go far in future competition.

Speaking on "The People's Weapon," Miss Clare Wilson won her audience with her ease on the platform and her forceful presentation of the subject. She will be the alternate in the intercollegiate contest.

Third honors were awarded to Miss Sheila Littleton, whose easy flow of diction was both pleasing and persuasive in her oration, "The Silver Whip." This is Miss Littleton's third year of collegiate experience in oratory.

The other contestants were Miss Inez Passenheim, of Manistique, who spoke on "The Key to Democracy" and Miss Jean McGarrah, of Detroit, whose subject was "Lest We Forget."

The judges, Miss Banta, Professors Wise, Mitchell, Dr. Randels and Dr. McCurdy, of the College Faculty, and Rev. Roberts, pastor of the Baptist Church, gave the decision in both the Men's and Women's Contest which were witnessed by the largest audience in a number of years.

America today is mad with a zeal to promote the mental and physical welfare of her citizens. "She is," said Miss Davis, "overzealous in her effort to impress on us the fact that true success lies in the attainment of high intellectual power. She has developed marvelous mechanisms for war, as has every other nation in the world. She has discovered a gas for combat purposes against the fumes of which a gas mask will be useless. But America is forgetting her social development. The world is losing sight of its need of social training. These are all indications of the fact that unless the social I. Q. of the world is raised in the next decade, a war will result that will be of such inhumanity and such proportions that the entire human race will be blotted from the face of the earth—victims of their own inventions which ran rampant without the social restraint, which is essential to curb the overbalancing of human action."

Miss Wilson advocated the retention of the jury. "The People's Weapon," as the only means of insuring the people of our democracy a check on its judges for it alone is the one department that is free from the meddling fingers of politics. The speaker said, "We congratulate ourselves on living in a free country—yet if we once let our jury system be abolished we will be face to face with the worst form of autocracy in the one department of our government where it should never be. She decried the false pictures presented by politicians and newspaper propaganda, and showed that Italy let slip her right of trial by jury and now finds herself absolutely under "the dictatorship of one man who is doing everything in

WILL PRINT ORATIONS

The Almanian will gladly print the orations of any or all of the contestants who took part in the contest this week, if the student body wants to keep them. If you desire to see any of them in print drop a note in the Editor's mail box in the Business Office.

BROWN'S GIFT TOSS DEFEATS ALBIONITES

The Alma cage squad won its first M. I. A. A. victory Wednesday night at Albion when they took the Methodist court men into camp in a hotly-contested game, 28-27. Brown's free shot in the last seconds of play with the score tied, gave the Campbellmen the margin of victory.

Both teams, for the most part, played raggedly and only at short intervals did flashes of floor work and shooting occur which mark the game as between college teams. As the Kazoo game, the Alma defensive work was at times atrocious. Time after time Methodist players broke around Alma men to take a short pass for a "dog" shot at the hoop. Fortunately for Alma, many of these were missed.

Williams put Alma in the lead early in the game when he made a difficult underbasket shot, surrounded by three Albion defensive men. A foul goal shortly after, increased the lead to 3 points, but Albion soon cashed in on a long shot and a foul and then another "bucket" to go into the lead. Their margin increased to 16 to 9 with about five minutes of the first half left to play. Alma had evened the count at 16-16 when the half ended.

Albion opened the last stanza with a burst of speed and accuracy on long shots which soon carried them into a two-point advantage. The Methodists held the lead until only a few minutes were left to play when Gussin made a beautiful shot over his shoulder from near the foul circle to tie the score. After this the Purple and Gold team had three gift shots from the foul circle but failed to cash in on any of them. Brown was fouled with 30 seconds to go and sunk the shot for the

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RARE FOSSILS ARE ADDED TO MUSEUM

During the recent Holiday period two small lots of specimens were received by the Museum.

Miss Lillian Weeks, of Jackson, Michigan, sent by Mr. Abernathy a number of specimens collected by her father. These include minerals, fossils and shells. Some of these are rare. A fossil fish from the Cretaceous period is of special interest and represents a new type to our collection. Practically all of these specimens will find a place for class study or exhibition.

The second lot of specimens came from an Alma College graduate of the Class of 1921, who was Miss Audree Prataucy, and is now Mrs. Dr. Gabriel Verger, of Limoges, France. Dr. Verger himself dug these specimens from their prehistoric location at Les Eyzies, Dordogne, France. They are therefore authentic.

In this lot of specimens are three types of horns and one molar tooth from herbivorous animals of the period. They are probably a stag, a deer, and bison, but their more exact identification is in progress. There are also some flint implements with knife-like cutting edge used by the prehistoric people of that time. These implements and fossils together with the deposits in which they are found determine their age.

According to prehistoric chronology these materials represent the Solutrean culture, which is a little later than the middle of the Palaeolithic Period, and are thought to be at least twenty-five thousand years old. These specimens are therefore unusually interesting and will help to represent in our Museum that remote prehistoric period.

Students not planning to return next semester can have their copy of the Maroon and Cream mailed by giving the business manager their address and the \$2.75 before going home.

TENTATIVE DATES SET FOR KAPPA IOTA PARTY

The Kappa Iota Literary Society held its regular meeting on Monday evening, January 12. Members answered to roll call with the name of some person who helped the United States gain its independence from England. During the business meeting tentative dates were set for both the informal and formal parties. If the dates are available the informal will be February 7 and the formal May 16. The program consisted of a paper by Ruth Moore on "The New Testament," and a pledge paper by Jean Turnbull.

ORATORICAL MEET IN CHURCH SUNDAY

The Stewardship Oratorical Contest being sponsored by the Presbyterian Church in America will get under way locally with the Alma Presbyterian contest which will be held in the Church auditorium next Sunday night. Five contestants have already entered, and indications point to an increase in this number at the eleventh hour. The winner of the local contest will be given a cash award of ten dollars, and also the honor of representing Alma at the Presbytery contest in February. From every Presbytery in the country, delegates will be selected to compete in the Synod meets, and the successful contestants from all the Synods will compete in June before the General Assembly at its annual meeting. Synod prizes are \$50, \$25, and \$15, and the General Assembly prizes will be \$250, \$100, and \$50. The oratorical contest is being held as a part of the program for the study of Stewardship to challenge the attention of the whole church to the vital importance of stewardship and to increase interest in and deepen the knowledge of individuals in the basic principles of this work.

Any person, being under twenty-three years of age, who is a member of any Presbyterian church, or regularly enrolled in the Sunday School or Young People's organization, will be eligible to compete in the contest.

EDITOR NEEDS STUDY

In order that ye Editor will be able to pass a few exams and stay in school next semester, there will be no Almanian published next week. February 3rd will be the date of the next edition. All copy for publication in that edition should be in the Almanian mail box by January 30.

This edition was held over a day so that there would not be such a long lay-over until the next publication date.

SENIOR BENEFIT PROVES BIG TIME ENTERTAINMENT

If the attendance at the Senior Benefit Show can be accepted as a criterion, there will be 42 more students entering school next September than the Administration has planned on—all of them tagged with a B. A. or B. S. From the financial standpoint, the party cannot be termed a success, but what it lacked in attendance was certainly made up in enthusiasm. Basketball, boxing, and the brawl which followed all served to make one of the liveliest events of this year's social calendar.

With both teams minus some of their usual players, the Zeta and Phi basketball teams took the floor, playing a charity game, rather than the championship game which had been announced earlier in the week. Playing fast, consistent ball, despite the absence of "Aldie" Potter, the Zeta boys passed and pivoted their way to an easy 15-5 victory. Jim Gustin, "the Bay City Basket Cager," was easily the outstanding player of the game. His shots were accurate, and his speed more than the Phinamints could fathom. All the pre-game doze concerning Phi Phantoms went into a

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DOUGLAS McLELLAN SECOND IN MEN'S CONTEST

DONALD BLACKSTONE RANKS VERY CLOSE THIRD

CLUB IS PREPARING FOR LEAGUE MEETING

With the beginning of a new semester, the International Relations Club will be well under way in its study for the Spring Assembly at Hillsdale. Alma has been assigned important places in the Model League, and the Club is assembling all the material possible. Alma will send three delegations consisting of three representatives each. As the Italian delegation, Alma will give the Minority Report of the Fourth Committee, which deals with the reorganization of the "Secretariat."

The meeting of January 15 was held at Wright Hall at four o'clock. The Club is still spending part of its time on Russia.

Mildred Angell gave a report entitled, "Soviet Takes Over All Food Supplies." The prime object in the recent revision of food distribution is to care for the millions who are far from agricultural centers. However, the Socialistic spirit still rules and is aptly expressed in the slogan, "only workers may eat."

Mary Elden gave a very interesting talk on "Bolshevism as an International Menace." It seems that even now the "Reds" are a problem to other nations and are affecting much more than Russia.

Sheila Littleton gave a paper which reviewed the plan of Russia both past and future. A Russian reporter leads us to believe that Russia is so capable that, at the present rate, the five years plan will be completed in four. An American realist paints a contrasting picture of mismanagement, decay and waste. Who to believe? Will the personal privations of a people ultimately result in the prosperity of a nation?

LOCAL FROSH DOWN HASTINGS H. S. SQUAD

Hastings High, 1930 Champs, found the Alma College Freshmen squad too much for them Saturday night, and dropped a well-played game, 27-16.

Al Mark, the long, Cook county cager, lived up to his reputation and played the most outstanding game of the evening with his accurate passing and smart dribbling. He was high-point man of the game for Alma.

Max Novak, Mark's running mate at guard, was a big factor in the Frosh victory, with his strong defensive play.

Every man on the Alma squad played a brand of ball which marks him as potential varsity timber for Alma's future cage squads.

Young, playing left forward for Hastings, was high-point man of the game with eight points.

Alma	FG	FT
Richter, RF	2	
Bain, LF		
Dawson, C	2	
Novak, RG	1	
Mark, LG	1	3
Hastings	FG	FT
Miller, RF	2	2
Young, LF	3	2
Williams, C		1
Wilcox, RG		1
Fisher, LG		

Substitutes: Alma — Baumblatt, Kahn, Campbell (2 baskets), Hubbard, Cates, Drury, Bushnell (1 basket), Beach.

Hastings—Pierson, Fisher, Hayes.

RUDDOCK IMPROVING

Last reports from Carney Hospital bring the Campus the welcome news that a decided improvement is noted in the condition of Amos Ruddock, Almanian Editor, who has been seriously ill there for the past week with pneumonia.

Only Senior and Junior Men In Competition for Speaking Honors

Kenneth Ollis, of Buffalo, Wyoming, who represented Alma last year in the intercollegiate contest, will be Alma's candidate for State honors again this year by virtue of his victory in the Annual Men's Oratorical Contest on Wednesday. Ollis, speaking on the "Sound of the Silver Trumpet" was easily the outstanding speaker in the men's contest. His weekly pulpit experience has given him an ease and force which is far superior to that of the ordinary college orator, and his oration, a work of clear logic and fine style, made a stirring appeal to every listener. Ollis will unquestionably make a strong bid for high honors at the State meet which will be held here in March.

C. Douglas McLellan, of Calumet, and Donald Blackstone, of Port Huron, both Juniors, were tied for second place when the judges' decisions were read, both totaling the same number of places. The tie made it necessary to make the decision on the percentage basis, and McLellan was given second place by the margin of a single per cent.

Blackstone's clear delivery and appealing personality were the chief factors in his success. Like the winner of first place, he has had considerable pulpit experience which has served to make him entirely at home on the platform. This was his first experience in college oratory.

The other speakers in the men's contest were Fred Schimmer, who made his oratorical debut with the subject, "The Menace of the Movies," and Walter Elder, of Alma, who completed his third year of collegiate experience with the subject "Slaves of Conventionalism." Both men are Juniors.

Dr. Brokenshire, who was chairman of the contest, conducted the meet in his usual pleasant manner. He spoke with considerable feeling upon the absence of one of the contestants in the men's contest, Amos Ruddock, who, prior to his illness, gave promise of being among the winners in the meet.

Red Erickson, equipped with his harmonica, his "Wreck of the 97," and his diminutive pianist, Holly Fales, provided a program of fun between the women's contest and the men's contest which followed. While the decision of the judges was being awaited, Buford Hosford entertained the audience with an amusing tap dance. He was accompanied by one of the organ players and his partner in the piano.

One of the speakers in the men's contest conducted the meet of America's youth, a man of letters who in his oration, "The Menace of the Movies," pointed out the danger of the motion picture industry. He said that the motion picture industry is a "rotating wheel" in the hands of a few men. "The picture of vice," the speaker said, "is the most powerful force in the world today. It is the cause of the highest idealism." In decriing the practice of the modern preacher to make religion easy, the speaker made a strong plea for stressing the pillar of cloud and fire as the soul of religious life, rather than the constant attempt at reconciling religion with science. People's hearts will never be aflame with zeal for the Eighteenth Amendment as long as the Dry leaders "parade the pleasing fact that prohibition enforcement saves the United States five billion dollars annually." As a solution for the educa-

GRID BANQUET CANCELLED

The Football Banquet which was scheduled for last Thursday failed to materialize because of the inability of the Committee to secure a speaker. The affair has now been definitely cancelled, and the grid awards will be made in Chapel on Wednesday morning at 11 o'clock.

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"THE TESTING TIME"

It has been the Almanian policy this year to keep away from certain trite types of editorials. We have intentionally shied away from admonitions "to support the team that is giving its best to the College." When the annual cry that "school spirit is lacking," was made, we endeavored to keep aloof from the practice of urging a renewal of the old Alma pep. Thus it is with some fear and trembling that we mention the subject of examinations. However, it is a fact which we recognize only too well that "the testing time" necessitates some additional exertion on the part of the student body to come through with the proverbial "flying colors."

Despite the professorial pessimism on the subject, there is still time to make amends for our careless neglect of study,—still time to cram a few bits of knowledge into the cortical convolutions so that the road to even a "C" grade may be less rocky. The ethics of this practice may be questionable, but we can find some justification in the fact that Napoleon planned his Austrian campaign over night, and that was not too unsuccessful. Then, too, America still teaches her students the famous "Fourscore and seven years ago—" with never a thought that Lincoln penned it while in the midst of a last-minute inspiration on the train to Gettysburg. So, even if you have let the dust of disuse accumulate on your books all year, don't let the nightmare of exams keep you from gleaning what knowledge you can from them even yet.

Burn a little of the midnight kilowatt, outline your books carefully, and what you can write in the two hours of the "testing time" will amaze you, to say nothing of the revelation that it will be to your dear professor who will lift you from the "D" class into the high plane of "C".

ARE YOU YOUR OWN ENEMY?

A man, they say, is his own worst enemy. He obstructs himself. He thwarts his own plans. He neglects to take ordinary precautions. He fails to prepare for common emergencies. He could be a distinguished person in a good many cases, successful in business and in society, but he doesn't give himself a chance. As Juvenal said in his Tenth Satire:

"Look round the habited world, how few know their own good, or knowing it, pursue; How void of reason, are our hopes and fears; What in the conduct of our life appears, so well designed, so luckily begun. But when we have our wish, we wish undone: Whole houses of their own desire possessed, Are often ruined at their own request."

Often when the opportunity comes to man to say something brilliant, he hasn't his wits about him. He sits back and lets others do the talking. When he ought to have good opinions, and defend them with sound reasoning, he murmurs "yes" or "no." When he leaves the social gathering, and returns home, he feels depressed and humiliated. He knows himself to be as good as any man there. What was in his way? Nothing but HIMSELF.

You have only one life to lead. Whether you make it a successful, interesting or brilliant life, depends entirely upon yourself. All you need is an intangible something, a flash of inspiration, a word of encouragement, a familiarity with things that interest intelligent people. Even a bowing acquaintance with the best that has been said and thought, will give you poise and self-confidence and enable you to strike out for yourself, and be the man, that you were meant to be.

STUDENT MOOCHERS

You know the type. You see them and talk with them every day. Some act just as ordinary as usual, while others are all sugar and sweetness as they await their chance to beg one for lecture notes, reading notes, or already-written experiments.

The moocher is an artist in concocting excuses for failure of preparation. As a rule, he has had so much more work to do than anyone else that it really is not his fault that he must mooch, especially just before exams. He just has not had time to get them all.

You have seen the student who has been given at least two weeks for a certain amount of outside reading, yet the night before exams he has not been inside the library. In panic he runs to his more conscientious fraternity brother, or sorority sister and pleads with tear-flooded eyes for a chance to see the others' notes. To climax the incident, the moocher goes to class the next day with Lady Luck, takes the quiz, and makes a better score than his aide.

Are you a moocher?

Brown's Gift Toss Defeats Albionites

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one point which furnished the Presbyterian victory.

Both teams missed many easy shots and Albion's ability to score from a distance kept them in their lead until the final minutes.

Gussin and Crawford played best for Alma, while Gray and Risley starred for Albion.

Lineup and Summary

Alma	G	F	TP
Brown	1	1	3
Williams	2	0	4
Wehrley	0	0	0
Borton	1	1	3
Gussin	5	1	11
Crawford	3	1	7
Tromaster	0	0	0

Albion	G	F	TP
Richards	1	4	6
Renkiewicz	1	0	2
Risley	1	0	2
Rice	3	0	6
Gray	4	1	9
Koblin	1	0	2

Total 11 5 27
Referee—Kipke (Michigan.)

Thirty personal fouls were the most unusual features of Saturday night's game in which the Campellmen defeated the General Motors Tech team of Flint, 37-33. For the most part, the game was devoid of any of the spectacular play which usually marks an Alma contest. Except for one or two flashes of smart individual play, the game was listless, and the constant fouling did much to make it uninteresting. Crawford was ruled out early in the game with four fouls.

Brown, with five baskets and three foul throws, was high scorer of the game. Tromaster, who played most of the game, looked especially good, both offensively and defensively. Williams' floor work was the most brilliant in the contest.

Bratton, husky Tech guard, was high man for his squad, while the work of Custis, diminutive forward, was a part of the little spectacular play which marked the game.

Harry Wehrley, substitute center, suffered painful, but not serious injuries, when he collided with an opponent and fractured two ribs. Mullins officiated.

What a Snap! What a Snap?

Every person in the world strives to attain the requirements which the ideal man in his field should fulfill. Imagine the misfortune of an editor of a college publication when he attempts to attain the following traits—those essential to a truly successful editor:

First, he must be endowed with the patience of Job. (Bible 35 will give you some idea of this.) He must have the editorial ability of a Horace Greeley. (Take Prof. Spencer's Journalism course to know what it is.) He must acquire Wilson's diplomacy. The Judicial qualities of Chief Justice Marshall must be his. He must possess a Lincolnian sense of humor. (Any History course will enlighten you on these requirements.) His literary ability should be at least as good as that of Billie Shakespeare. His dignity and philosophy should be comparable to that of Socrates. (Dr. Randel's Beginning Philosophy course will aid here.) The agnostic characteristics of Ingersoll, and the lack of conscience to perpetrate the atrocities of an Amy Lowell, are requisites.

In addition to these few abilities, he must possess the physique of a Carnero. He must be able to rival Edison in going without sleep. Besides this, his brain must be so constituted that he will be able to absorb the essentials of a 16-hour course by a glance at the cover of books by Taussig, Gushman,

Clapp-Chase-Merriman, Newman, etc. and be able to pass a final on these



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courses with honors so that the Faculty will allow him to stay in school. Moreover, he must be absolutely foreign to rest, recreation, love of athletic attainment, love of society, and then just the plain common house variety of love.

And lo! when he has attained these he will not be hauled on the Faculty carpet more than once a week, and not receive more than a dozen student criticisms daily. He doesn't have to work hard to attain these requirements—much!



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Saturday, January 24
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in
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MARILYN MILLER
in
"SUNNY"
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in
"DANCING SWEETIES"
A dancing pair find Happiness—BUT
how?
FOX MOVIE TONE NEWS
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and Screen Vaudeville

CAMPUSOLOGY

Don't take life too seriously, you'll
never get out of it alive.

Art: "Do you really like hamburger
balls?"
Emily: "I don't know, I never at-
tended one."

You say Norm Bradley plays a one-
stringed instrument in the church?
Yes, he pulls the bell rope.

Calkins would like to know who
these "potassium iodide" girls are
that he has heard so much about.

Earl: "Of course, I'm only your fu-
ture husband, but who is Jim?"
Charlotte: "He's the man who cuts
my hair. I suppose if I had a cold
you'd be jealous of Smith Brothers."

Then there was the wisecracking
Freshman who told Prof. Spencer that
a figure of speech is a synonym for a
beautiful woman.

Al: "Would you like a sonata be-
fore dinner, Jack?"
Jack: "Well, I don't mind. I had
a couple a few minutes ago, but I
think I can stand another."

Mr. Robinson: "Mr. Hosford, can
you tell me the difference between a
warrant and a bond?"
Hosford (the morning after): "Well,
a warrant gets you in jail, and a bond
gets you out."

We notice Wehrley sporting the old
pin again. Oh, well, "absence makes

the heart grow fonder"—of being a-
part.

What's become of the old fashioned
slapstick comedy where they used to
throw pies?

Gus crashed the Wright Hall
League Wednesday night—almost.

Hebe was dining at the farm home
of one of his Rosebush parishoners
during the Christmas Holidays. As he
lifted a fork load of roast chicken to
his mouth he remarked facetiously:
"Well, here's where the chicken en-
ters the ministry."
"I hope it does better there than in
lay work," replied his host.

Phi Dorm Gems
5 A. M.
Big Ben,
Heavy shoe,
Silence then.

Sunshine's birthday was celebrated
with a noon luncheon. Congratula-
tions, "Sun."

Art and Bort returned rather dis-
consolate from Albion. No red dresses
there.

Miller: "I found a splinter in my
soup today."

George Sheldon: "What did you do
with it?"

Miller: "I ate it with the rest of
my board."

How convenient it is to whip up
Tuesday's punch and serve it for de-
sert Thursday night.

Elder seems to have the inside dope
on female wearing apparel.

The Goose hangs high. And the Col-
onel seems to know where.

And Aldie calls her impromptu be-
cause she makes up as she goes along.

Hayes: "Just bought a new novel."
Sis: "Is it long?"

Hayes: "Naw, you can read it in
two of Doc Kaufman's lectures.

Then there is the absent-minded
Prof. who gave his finger nails an ex-
amination and cut his classes.

Famous Sayings of Famous Men:
"I've got to talk to him like a father."

Marge has a new hobby, which, we
are told, is a horse on Baldie.

The Campus was astonished, amaz-
ed surprised, overcome, etc., last
week when one of the co-eds revealed
her identity. She is (and this is
straight, because she broke down and
admitted it) a daughter of Walter
Damrosch.

What a predicament! One broken
heart and two broken ribs.

And now Sue is in a premature sec-
ond childhood. Building blocks 'n
everything.

Two Soph additions to the Maroon
and Cream staff—just a couple of cut-
ups.

Co-ed News

Back after vacation and evidently
everyone had too good a time for it
was a familiar cry that "Oh, I had so
much fun while I was home—I hated
to come back." Seemed queer to hear
it for usually everyone enjoys coming
back again. It certainly couldn't be
on account of exams? Oh, no! But it
won't be long now. And what fun
keeping the Hall quiet. Dottie will
certainly be up and at 'em.

Evidently the Sophs didn't think
the Frosh were so sweet! Anyway
there are a plenty of the green hair
ribbons bobbing about. Have you no-
ticed how pale some of our former
ruddy looking girls are? Couldn't be
that they were serious offenders?

There are some new combinations
on Campus: Margaret Wellwood and
Jack Frost! Nancy and Al! Cookie
and (?)

We now have the following newly
bobbed heads. Anyone not liking the
bob, interview Cora. She's the mur-
deress!

Marg, Mary Painter, Sue, Nancie,
Annabel, Inez, Helen Lee, and still
more recently are Margaret Wellwood
and Mary Wood. Favorite comebacks
to those who feel so badly about the
shorn locks: "Well, anyway, it's much
more comfortable." "It was always
falling down, etc.

Speaking of "comebacks" from
those who were urged to go to the
Senior Benefit game and dance by
three very cute and clever girls. "I
should go to that dance and sit around
all the evening!" "Who'll want to
dance with me?" "And, Oh, how hard
it was to persuade them to go, and
that truly they wern' the wall flower
type! And Oh, what a different story
when they came dragging themselves
into the Hall after "dancing every
dance" and "having the most wonder-
ful time that they've ever had at a
dance." It certainly was a lot of fun
and take this to be typical of Wright
Hall comment: There was not a girl
that went that did not say that she
had had one marvelous time. Couldn't
have been on account of the "cut-in
dances! At last we had a chance to
talk and dance with the bashful Frosh
boys who, for some reason or other,
did go for the "cutting-in." Perhaps
they'll come over to see us sometime
and learn how to work the buzzer
board. We hope so! If we don't win
them over now—we still are banking
on Spring to help us out!

We know a certain girl with the in-
itials of M. E. F. who walks and talks
in her sleep and is afraid that her
roommates will be finding out things.

It was good to see Don Horton
back, wasn't it, Jean?

We were certainly proud of our
girls who entered the oratorical con-
test. They all did well.

The Tau Sigma Gamma's certainly
are "hitting the spot" with their
toasted sandwiches and tea.

Don't you dare get yourself cam-
pused, Sheila. Steve wouldn't like it!

We suspect there's a pretty quiet
week-end ahead for Wright Hall. The
usual moanings and groanings that
accompany exam preparations will
probably help keep the Hall from go-
ing too fast asleep.

This Week in 1910
Roy Campbell, of St. Ignace, has
been named to be the new sports ed-
itor of the Weekly Almanian.

This Week in '15
At a formal luncheon given by the
Misses Neva Johnson and Velma Ross
in the east reception room at Wright
Hall Saturday afternoon, Chet Robin-
son announced his engagement.

This Week in '16
Edward Guest, Michigan's famous
poet, addressed the College Men's Bi-
ble Class with a number of his crea-
tions Thursday night. The Board of
Trustees has announced a general in-
crease in the salaries of members of
the Alma College Faculty.

This Week in '20
A wonderful and costly oil portrait
of Hon. Ammi W. Wright, benefactor
of Alma College, was unveiled at im-
pressive ceremonies in the Chapel on
Thursday morning.

This Week in '22
President H. M. Crooks was elected
head of the Presbyterian College Uni-
on this week. The organization in-
cludes forty colleges in the U. S.

This Week in '23
K. I. Literary Society inaugurated
an innovation in college social life this

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week with an all-college sleigh ride
party, followed by dancing in Wright
Hall. Freshmen girls served coffee
and doughnuts.

This Week in '24
The winner of last year's oratorical
contest, Phil Lewis, repeated his vic-
tory Wednesday night and again will
be Alma's representative in the inter-
collegiate constt.

This Week in '27
When will students learn not to
have a dance a week before exams?
Just two dozen couples attended the
"Exam Bounce" that was held in the
Gym Friday night.

This Week in '28
Betty Burgess was crowned Queen
of the Carnival Saturday night, after
having been elected by the over-
whelming majority of eight thousand
votes.

This Week in '30
Kenneth Ollis won first place in the
Men's Oratorical Contest in the Chap-
el Wednesday night.

This Week in '31
Rumor hath it that Alma College's
best student has succumbed to the
darts of Cupid.

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Douglas McLellan Second in Men's Contest

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tional problem the speaker suggested that we "show the scholar as one who has thrown into the lamp of midnight his chance for wealth and fame, social success, health and years of his youth, and even his life—all for the lure of truth." In conclusion, the speaker made a stirring plea for the plan of offering to youth a chance to work

for an ideal if America hopes to have her problems solved.

As the initial speaker in the men's contest, McLellan showed how every man and every nation, to be successful, must complete the sequence which characterizes life — a sequence of three steps—physical, mental and social development. "Lincoln," he said, "was immortal, not because he had great physical strength, not because he had a mighty intellect, but because he was willing to sacrifice his body and mind on the altar of human welfare, thereby completing the sequence of life." Rome was doomed to destruction because she perverted the sequence by placing the emphasis on physical development. Germany with her Christless Culture went to destruction because she sought to expand to provide more room for a race of intellectual giants. America's hope for a virile democracy can be realized only when she "places the chief emphasis upon her social responsibility—the highest phase in the sequence of life."

Blackstone, the final speaker, likened "The Men of Today" to the old blacksmith who had been crushed beneath the chains which he had welded with his own hands. Although he is a "composite of tremendous potentialities," man is slowly forging for himself chains of ignorance, chains of fear, and chains of dissipation, which will weigh him down and some day crush him into oblivion. But that "Man of Today" can become the "Man of Tomorrow" if he will but "utilize the tremendous potentialities which are within him." The speaker closed with a plea to the youth of today to make himself "The Man of

Tomorrow," for "to him who seeks possibilities, opportunities rise in every wind, sing in every breeze, smile in every atom, and are locked in every cell."

Schimmer, who spoke third, cited numerous instances of censorship of American films in European and Asiatic countries, as evidence of the fact that old world minds are quick to find weaknesses in our cinema contributions which our own people fail to see. This censorship should be a warning to America, that if she would protect the minds of her children from the lewd, demoralizing scenes of the present day films, the intellectual leaders must make it a matter of personal concern to see that such pictures are censored. This censorship, the speaker said, must be national in scope, and stringent in demanding for our youth a type of picture which will impress the mind of America's youth with the highest and finest type of human activity.

Elder, in his turn as second speaker, pictured for his listeners a world of slaves, slaves to the great taskmaster, Conventionalism. It is the great institution of the family which, with its traditions and petty dogmas, "tries to mold and fashion youth to its pattern," and in doing so, hinders his natural development." Conventionalism in the matter of eating, narrowness in the matter of sex education, severe stipulation as to the method of dress, binding public servants to the tree of conventionalism—these are some of the indications of an enslaved world, a world which can secure its freedom only by heeding the advice of Polonius, "prove all things, hold fast to that which is good."

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Clare Wilson and Sheila Littleton Given Second and Third Honors

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his power to crush the individualism of the Italian people."

A vivid and fascinating description of the life history of a coronet and a silver whip was Miss Littleton introduction. The meeting of the silver whip and the coronet in a goldsmith's shop were the symbols of experience, —practical and poetic, leading to ultimate value. "Alertness and useful minds giving birth to the finest and highest values certainly result from the intensity and vitality shown by them. But the Coronet, pragmatic and lifeless, causes through its outward glitter an increase in false value, discomfort and unrest. The Silver Whip, boasting a thrill, a genuine sparkle and the vividness of life itself is up and doing."

Decrying the apparent fact that America is forgetting her religious obligations, which practice is starting our nation on the road to destruction, Miss McGarvah made a forceful appeal to her listeners to awaken Americans to the cry of Kipling, "Lord God of Hosts be with us yet—Lest we forget, lest we forget."

Miss Passenheim treated briefly the fact that America is holding the Key to Democracy, and showed evidences of decay in our national life which bode ill for the continued success of our great free civilization. In the hands of America lies the responsibility for the insurance of the marvelous democratic principles, and in the students of America, the speaker said, lies the fate of our country.

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Senior Benefit Proves Big Time Entertainment

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cocked hat as "Handy-Man" Nichol, the Invincible Ionian, sat on the side lines and watched his less stellar team mates perform as the second best team throughout the game.

Following the game pugilism made its '31 debut, when Able Pearlburg, the New York pug, met Young Knoertzer, the Mild Bull of the Campus, in a three round go. Pugilistically, the fight was a "flop," as neither of the contenders for the Campus Crown claimed a foul, or even demanded a recount. However, the swift swinging of padded leather kept the crowd in an uproar. Neither fighter had much advantage throughout. What Able lacked in speed and precision he made up in careful guarding, and Knoertzer's weak defense was offset by his well-aimed punches. When the towels were waved, the crowd roared a-ways, the crowd took on the best thrill the activity of dancing.

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