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## JUNIORS GAVE BIG J - HOP SATURDAY IN GYMNASIUM PHILOMATHEAN SPRING DINNER - DANCE IS ENJOYED BY MANY COUPLES

### COLLEGE LOSES AN ESTEEMED TRUSTEE

Mr. Martin W. Tanner, president of the M. W. Tanner Company at Saginaw, the largest department store of that city, died at his home on Sunday, April 26.

Mr. Tanner had been a trustee of Alma College for twenty years. His services to the College were many and various. He was always at the meetings of the board. He led the campaign for funds about 1920. His counsel was sane and was eagerly sought. He was a valued personal friend of three Presidents of the College.

He was always sure to inquire about students on every visit to the College. President Crooks tells us of his telephoning from Saginaw as soon as soon as he had returned from a board meeting where information had been given that the faculty were about to suspend certain students. "Forgive my intruding, but I couldn't feel right if I didn't call you," said Mr. Tanner. "Don't be too hard on those students — those youngsters. Say to the faculty for me that they never do anything as bad as we older folks do and get away with it. They didn't mean any harm; they just didn't think."

The sympathy of the College goes to Martin Tanner, his son, who was for a while a student at the College; and to Mrs. Tanner, whose presence at commencements and other occasions was always welcomed.

Dr. Samuel H. Forrer and President Crooks had part in impressive funeral services on last Tuesday, the burial being from the First Presbyterian Church at Saginaw, where he was an elder for thirty-five years. Professor Kendall Brooks of Mount Pleasant and Dr. Lewis S. Brooke of Detroit also represented the board of trustees. Dean Mitchell, Professor Hamilton and Mr. Robinson represented the faculty.

Mrs. Ira M. Hatch, a student of Alma College in the nineties, died at his home at 91 Prospect Street, East Orange, New Jersey, on April 20. Mr. Hatch was for many years with the American Can Company. While a resident of Michigan and Ohio he was a trustee of Alma College, serving from 1912 to 1926. He was largely instrumental in planning and executing the campaign for funds from 1916 to 1926 and was a highly respected man in business and church circles.

Kappa Iota Society will close the formal party season with its regular annual Dinner Dance at the Park Hotel, St. Louis, Michigan. The Kappa Iota party will be the last of the six Alma Societies' formals, the J-Hop being the seventh formal party this year.

Plans for the party have not yet been announced because early information would spoil the effect of the favors and decorations, etc.

### SEVERAL GET GOOD TEACHING POSITION

Reports from reliable sources show that some Seniors have signed up for teaching positions for the coming year.

"Wally" Pezet will go to Traverse City to coach Athletics. "Al" Dean, President of the Senior Class, will teach one class in Algebra and coach everything but football at St. Johns. Amos Ruddock will teach Economics and Journalism at Midland.

Keith Odle accepted a position as Principal, Science Teacher and Coach at Holt. Joyce has a position hanging fire.

Lillian Leyrer will go to Columbiaville to teach Latin and History.

Teaching positions are scarce this year on account of the widespread depression. "People, who have been out of teaching for several years, are going back this year," says President Crooks.

### FINE MAROON AND CREAM WILL BE PUBLISHED SOON

The long-awaited and long-expected edition of the Maroon and Cream, Alma College Annual, which is published by the Junior Class of that institution, will appear sometime around the twenty-ninth of this month. A statement to this effect was last week made by C. Douglas McLellan, editor of the Annual. Previous to the publication of the year book the Almanian will publish the Maroon and Cream edition of the paper, if present indications prove correct.

This will be an innovation, the usual annual editions coming sometime after the publication of the book. The change was made for advertising reasons, especially. The entire edition, practically, will be devoted to the Annual and will carry many pictures. This is in keeping with the policy of the Almanian, that of printing special editions. These have proved very popular in the past.

All the work on the yearbook is now completed, Jamieson having rounded up the last of the advertising. McLellan's work was completed some time ago. The theme of the book, which is being kept secret for obvious reasons, is entirely new and different. Those who have seen the Annual promise that the rest of us will not be disappointed. Now is the time to order one, if you have not already done so.

### ALUMNUS WILL GIVE COURSE

Miss Edith Cook, 1908, will give a graduate course at Columbia University this summer. Miss Cook is a daughter of the late A. P. Cook of Alma College.

### BULLETIN LAUDS LIBRARY COURSES

The following quotation is taken from the Kansas State Agricultural College catalogue of 1930:

**Library Economics**  
"The library supplements the work of every department of the College. It is a storehouse of knowledge for every student. It supplies information and the latest results of scientific research for every instructor. The Library is thus essential to the College, forming as it were, a center from which its various activities radiate."

"In order that the Library may perform its functions with the highest degree of efficiency it is necessary that instruction be given regarding its use. With this thought in mind a course is offered, the purpose of which is to familiarize the student with scientific, up-to-date methods in the use of books and to acquaint him with the best general reference books as well as with standard works on various subjects. Placed at the beginning of his College course it should tend to increase largely his efficiency in study throughout the entire course."

There are six instructors for the two courses given, at the above mentioned college.

It is encouraging to note a growing recognition, on the part of universities and colleges, of the importance of the library as the center of activities pertaining to intellectual affairs, and the inclusion of a course in the use of a library.

Alma College offers such a course; and also a practice course for those who wish to have positions on the library student staff, or who may wish to fit themselves for future library work; this practice course being an introduction to the more advanced courses of a library school.

There are now in Alma College 32 students who have had one or both courses in Library Methods, and of this number seven are Seniors.

Now is the time to plan to include this study in your next year's schedule.

### COLLEGE PARTY IS CLIMAX TO SEASON

Pre-party boasts of Juniors that the 1931 J-Hop would be the best in Alma's history proved to be anything but idle talk if the complimentary comments of the two hundred and ten dancers who thronged Memorial Gym Saturday can be considered ample proof. From start to finish, the annual prom sponsored by the class of 1932 exceeded the expectations of even the most optimistic dancer, and much praise was showered upon the Juniors who worked under the able and untiring guidance of Edward Gould, of St. Charles, who acted as general chairman of Alma's most outstanding social function.

The scene that greeted the dancers as they passed through the arch to the dance floor evoked enough sighs and comments of surprise to repay the Juniors for their efforts in surpassing the decorations of previous years. From the ethereal orchestra shell to the artistic mural scenes, the decorative scheme was complete in every detail. A false ceiling of azure blue crepe transformed the gym into a veritable heaven, with a similar wall scheme blending into a horizon. The neat star-dotted orchestra shell completed the sky scheme. On either side of the gym, beautifully-conceived Venetian scenes, with flower-decked gondolas stood out in the mellow gleam of the spot lights and blended with the green streamers that set off the seating section. At the west end of the hall, bright footlights set off an attractive and realistic garden scene with its bird bath and tiny-winged creatures coming from the clouded heaven above. Brilliant blue spots played from the west wall and lighted the floor.

Nate Fry and His Gold Diggers, a Lansing band of more than ordinary calibre, played music that was a real treat to the most exacting dance devotee as they swung from the lilting rhythm of a waltz to the fast tempo of a fox trot. Every heart thrilled as the band played the beautifully-arranged orchestration of the "Alma Chant," as C. Douglas McLellan, Junior President, and his partner, Miss Catherine McCuaig, led the Grand March, the feature event of the Hop. During the march, the ladies were presented with novel embossed leather letter portfolios bearing a gold crest of the college emblem. The favors are without a doubt the most attractive and most useful creation that has ever been given at an Alma prom.

From the time that the music

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### ALUMNUS' FATHER IS STRICKEN AT WHEEL

Caro, Mich., May 2.—Victim of a heart attack, Dr. Carroll W. Clark, prominent Caro physician, died at the wheel of his automobile in front of his home here this morning. He had backed his car from his garage on his way to the hospital, when he was stricken. Dr. Clark was 72 years old. He had been in poor health for several weeks.

Dr. Clark was the father of Carroll Clark, who graduated from Alma in 1927.

### NOTICE

Due to the fact that the last issue of the Almanian was devoted to foolishness and nonsense, some of the regular campus news did not get printed. This news appears in this issue of the Almanian and bears a catch line telling you the correct date of the article. This news appears because it is too important to be overlooked and should be brought to the minds of the students.

The editor trusts that this apology will appease the wrath of those who did not see their stories in print last week.

The Editor.

### THE NEWS ANNOUNCES A NEW BOOK ON ROCKNE

The Detroit News announces the publication of a new book of interest to college people all over the country, and especially the college people of Michigan and vicinity. The book is entitled "Rockne," and was written by Warren Brown.

The News is interested in getting several men or women on the campus as salesmen for the book. Twenty per cent commission will be paid on each copy sold. The publication date has been set for May 25th. If you are interested, send your name and address to the News and you will receive a prospectus jacket.

It is expected that the book will have a tremendous sale. Some of the things featured in the book are the following:

"Rockne," by Warren Brown.

With an introduction by Rev. C. L. O'Connell, C. S. C., President of Notre Dame.

An intimate life story of the greatest figure in American sports.

An absorbing and dramatic account of a personality and a career that captured and held the imagination of the country.

Publication date, May 25, 1931.  
Large 12 Mo. Net, \$2.50.

Warren Brown, author, a famous journalist and close personal friend, often referred to as Rockne's Coach.

The book will be made very attractive, with 24 half-tone pictures of famous Notre Dame football games, players, and characteristic poses of Rockne.

A full list of Rockne players who have become coaches, numbering 103, will be included, together with the names of the Universities and the Colleges where they are coaching.

A complete list of Notre Dame players, and games, won or lost, under Rockne.

### MANY ENJOY FINE SYMPHONY CONCERT

(Saturday, May 2)

Alma music lovers were pleasantly entertained last week Monday at the Presbyterian Church, by the first symphony orchestra in this part of the state, The Gratiot County Symphony Orchestra. It was the first of its kind to be organized in Michigan and owes its existence to the untiring efforts of Professor Wise, of Alma College.

The Orchestra is made up of music lovers from neighboring towns and villages and is under the capable direction of Professor Ewer, also of the College. Concerts had been given in Ithaca and St. Louis previous to the Alma concert.

Besides being President-Manager Professor Wise plays the cello in the string quartet and also in the orchestra. Following is the personnel of the group:

J. W. Ewer ..... Conductor  
Mrs. Foster Mitchell ..... Violinist  
Mr. Wright Harrison, Concert-Master  
Miss Esther Zinn ..... Accompanist  
Prof. Geo. C. Wise, President-Mang'r.  
String Quartet

Mrs. Mitchell ..... First Violin  
Mrs. Davison ..... Second Violin  
Mr. Earden ..... Viola  
Prof. Wise ..... Cello

Following is the program presented last week Monday:

1. Priests' March (From Athalia) ..... Mendelssohn  
Caressing Butterfly, R. Barthelmy Orchestra
2. The Mill ..... Raff-Pochon  
Old Black Joe ..... Foster-Pochon String Quartet
3. Light Cavalry Overture, ..... F. V. Suppe  
The New Flower Song ..... Czibulka-Danzet Orchestra
4. Concerto No. VII Op. 76 ..... Ch de Beriot  
Mrs. Foster Mitchell (Continued on page 4)

### PHILOS FEATURE JAP DECORATIONS

(Saturday, May 2)

The Sorority season of Spring Formals advanced into full swing on Saturday night, May 2nd, when the Philos were hostesses at one of their most elaborate and attractive dinner-dance parties, held at the Park Hotel, St. Louis. Twenty-five couples were present.

Emerson Cotie's seven-piece orchestra from Saginaw was on hand with a lively program of popular tunes; as well as several feature acts, which were certainly clever, and called forth a vigorous applause.

The dining room assumed for the occasion the distinct atmosphere of a Japanese Springtime. There was a false ceiling of orchid and rose wisteria buds, among which hung gay Japanese lanterns. The poles were unusually attractive in their trimming of colored Japanese characters and balanced lanterns. A huge lantern lit the entrance to the Hall. The orchestra occupied an arbor over which hung profuse numbers of pink cherry blossoms and two large yellow lanterns. The room got its light from a magnificent full moon which shone through another cluster of cherry blossoms found in the Northeast corner. The chaperones were able to look in from a supposed porch, which in keeping with the whole scheme was furnished with quaint wicker furniture, lanterns, and Spruce plants. In the center of the tables appeared dainty baskets of sweet pea, baby-breath and fern, while tall pink tapers were placed on either end of the tables. A novel combination of place card and program in the form of a letter marked the places at the table.

The favors, Parker Pen desk sets, which were made of black and gold marble bases bearing the Philomathean coat of arms, and black pens with yellow or green tips, were very highly lauded by their receivers.

Dinner was served at 6:30 o'clock, but scarcely time was taken to eat, as few could resist the urge to dance, which Cotie and his men created in everyone. The menu consisted of: Fruit Cocktail, Saratoga Wafers, Celery Curls, Olives, Virginia Ham, Mashed Potatoes, Tomato Salad, Parker House Rolls, Strawberry Ice Cream, Cake, Coffee, Nuts and Mints.

In no time at all the dining room was cleared for dancing, and a number of Alma's fair Co-eds in their newest and prettiest spring gowns spent a bewitching evening with their partners under a Japanese moon.

The chaperones and honorary guests present were: President and Mrs. Crooks, Dean Steward, Dr. and Mrs. Randels, Mr. and Mrs. Bahlke, and Miss Margaret Foley.

The couples present at the event were: Flora Lau and Leslie Harris, (Continued on Page 4)

### POLICEMAN GIVES TALK IN CHAPEL

College students were well entertained as well as educated in fundamentals of law observance at the regular chapel hour last week, Wednesday. The speaker was Corporal Sullivan of the State Police.

Sullivan showed the police radio used in the apprehension of criminals and explained the workings of the police nets. He tuned in on the East Lansing police broadcast.

Beginning with the time of Nahum, the prophet, and his prophecy concerning automobiles, Mr. Sullivan brought his listeners through the history of traffic rules and regulations in a brief and amusing manner.

He enforced fundamental principles of traffic law observance by a short but remarkably clever "chalk talk." Heberlein, Bennett and Pearlberg were the ones who got the pictures.

Typical scene: Mr. Sullivan fingering the butt of his gigantic pistol.

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HEROES

Very few people can be heroes. Rather one should say that very few people have the opportunity of saving someone's life. It isn't always that we get a chance to dash madly down to the lake and rescue the fair beauty from the cruel waves. Chances for standing up and taking another fellow's part in a fight are rare. They just don't occur often. That is why they are called heroic deeds. They demand an extraordinary sacrifice, and when the time comes most of us are glad to have the chance of making it.

There is another sort of heroic deed, we may call it that by the very nature of the above definition, one that we often have the chance of doing, but one that we seldom do. Every day each of us has the opportunity to make some little contribution to the happiness of those with whom we live. We can do this by a kind word, a kindly glance or an encouraging smile. It may be the very thing that would change the entire course of someone's life, and again, it may have little or no effect. However much it may matter is not the question. At least we will all admit that it is worth a trial. Try it tomorrow, or better yet start today.

EVER STOP TO THINK?

The modern college man or woman thinks little of asking help from someone on examinations. The successful cheater is the one who has the respect and admiration of his class. Teachers and Profs. forbid cheating. It follows then that cheating must be right for professors are always wrong. So we cheat. We ask the fellow in the next seat how to answer the questions. If he does not tell you he is a poor sport and a few other names, not printable. Why? Because he is trying to uphold the principles and rules of the institution, and at the same time is trying to save you from yourself.

The situation has not been overdrawn. All of the above actually exists. That type of re-asking goes on in the mind of every man and woman when they sit down to crib an exam. But did you ever stop to think, you cheaters, that you are asking the fellow in the next seat to take a risk that you have no right to expect. If you are caught, he will fare in the punishment equally with you. Do you think that you have a right to ask that of him? Of course you will say that if a person is dumb enough to get caught he ought to be punished, the good with the bad. Well, anyway, the principle is there, and I read this in another college paper anyway.

## THE SPRING FEVER TAKES MANY

The "Spring Fever" edition of the Almanian, last week, went over like a tent, that is over some people. Those who escaped were patting themselves on their collective and individual backs the day of the publication. In justice to the student body it must be said that the editors of that edition had "the dope on every one of them." However, this could not appear in print due to the limited space in the paper and the fact that some authentic photographs were received at the last minute, taking all the available room.

Observers said that many students who were mentioned tore their hair upon receipt of the paper. Several went into a blue funk and one man,

Kenneth Ollis, by name, Senior, narrowly escaped suicide, when one of his friends wrested the pistol from his hands. Ollis is reported as having said that he would never be able to live it down. Isn't that just too bad?

STUDENT FORUM

Dear Editor: When Alma College campus affairs call for such student opinion as was voiced in last week's Almanian, it is time for something to be done. If the Fraternities of this college cannot be on good terms with each other without someone shouting "Rotten!" it would be best for the college to close its doors and cease to function. Bombast is in its place in the mouth of Falstaffs, not a college newspaper. Also unpaid political announcements.

Alexander Pope wrote: "All seems infected to the infected spy, As all looks yellow to the jaundiced eye."

Such an outburst as last week's appears to be connected some way with the above. Those who cry, "Rotten!" are themselves liable to be rotten. This is NOT personal, I am referring to an attitude of mind that is abroad on the campus. I have nothing at all against the writer nor anyone mentioned in the article of the last issue. What I object to is having the name of Alma College associated with an article on Campus politics. The politics may be putrid but our College is NOT! If we must rant and rave about the infantile, rotten, insane, idiotic, putrid, slimy, underhanded, dirty, disgusting, nauseating, double-crossing politics, go to it. Drag in all the mud that you can find. Paint people as black as you wish. Tell the Fraternities they stink, but don't forget yourself. Write letters to the Almanian. Say just what you feel yourself called upon to say. BUT LEAVE ALMA COLLEGE OUT OF IT!

T. P.

Let it be understood at the outset of this paragraph or two that the remarks given vent to below have no direction at present conditions; they are a summation of ideas covering several years and are perfectly general. Perhaps they have no place in an especially good number of the Almanian but they are not meant to lend any discordant note.

In discussions as to the Almanian the following complaints are usually registered: There are too many ads, there is too much filler, there is too little news and too much editorial space (cause and effect), the paper is too much the work of one man.

The first objection is probably as old as the Almanian itself and is voiced as the prelude to all "kick-sessions": "Have you seen this week's Almanian?" is one of the campus' traditional expressions. In answer to such criticism is the statement of the fact that the subscription rate for the paper is pitifully insufficient to cover printing expenses and that ads are the only means of making up this difference and giving the managers of the sheet a reasonable fee for their labors and troubles. To govern and perhaps limit the reasonableness of the fee, in one year of such violent protest that the Council was appealed to, said governing body asked the officers of the paper to try and limit advertising to 170 column inches for a four-page paper, 171 inches being nine columns. Thus we deal with the most common of the criticisms.

There have been various suggestions as to possible means of contending with the difficulties voiced in the others of our complaints, which four may properly be considered together under "The News and the Writing

Thereof." Probably the most frequently suggested "cure-all" is that of turning the paper over to the Journalism Class as a laboratory but such action would immediately discontinue it as "The Student Publication of Alma College," and would amount to very undesirable quasi-faculty censorship. Few students outside of a Journalism course would be in favor of such action.

An offering of a curative which would be more to the liking of students as a whole was made the other day in a discussion of previous volumes of the paper. As nearly as I can recall the statement was about like this: "I'll bet So-and-So would have given his eye-teeth to have had a chance at the Almanian."

"Why couldn't there be some more issues, under the supervision perhaps of the editor, but really written largely by other students who show some promise of ability? People

could try out for the Almanian as for a sport or other activity and those who best showed ability be chosen as a regular staff. If the editor did not wish to relinquish so much, he might have those who would like to try their hand in writing give him their names and as things came up for which he wanted stories he might assign them to different ones of these applicants. The aspirants might even on their own initiative work up bits or articles and if of good stuff any editor would be willing to use them for the sake of the added amount of reading matter of interest to students."

H. M. C., Jr.

GETTING EDUCATION

First Maid: "Why did you leave that college professor's wife? Didn't she treat you well?"

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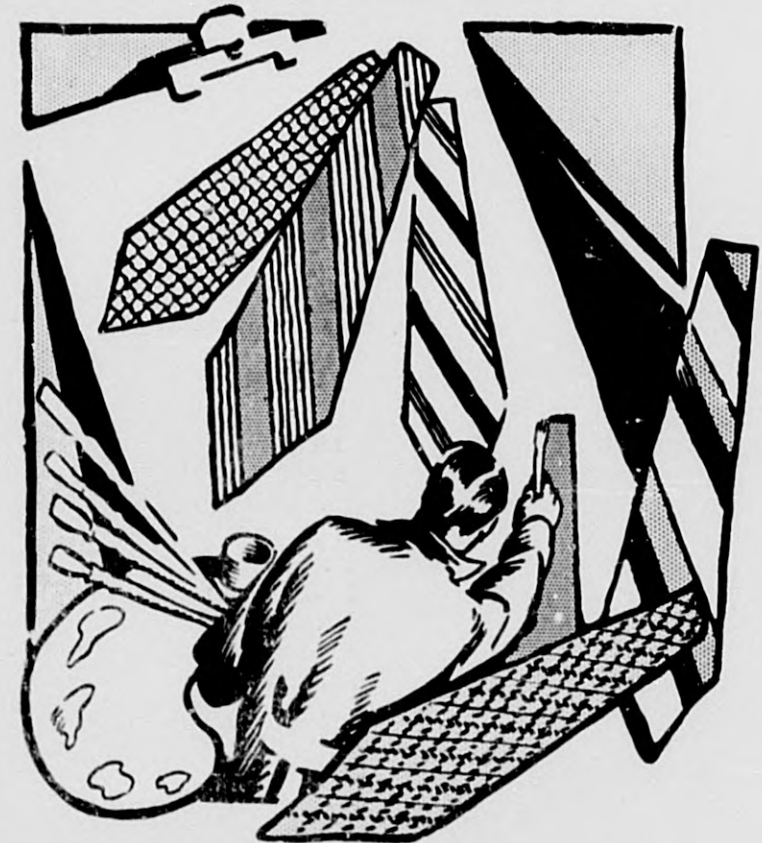
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Metro Comedy Paramount News

Saturday, May 16

HOOT GIBSON IN  
"SPURS"

Sporting Youth

11th Episode: "THE INDIANS  
ARE COMING"

Sunday and Monday  
May 17-18

NANCY CARROLL IN  
"STOLEN HEAVEN"

Pathe Comedy Metro News

Tuesday and Wednesday  
May 19-20

JOHN MACK BROWN IN  
"The Great Meadow"

Special Short Features

It is to your interest to patronize those who advertise in the Almanian.

**COUNCIL NOTES**

The regular meeting of the Student Council was called to order April 28, by the President, Alan Dean. The discussion centered around Campus Day which has been set as the second Wednesday in May. The program for the day will include a track meet, in the morning, baseball in the afternoon, the tug of war at 4:30 and a dance in the evening.

A committee consisting of Mr. McLellan and Mr. Dean was appointed by the President to confer with Coach Campbell about the track meet and baseball game. Miss Cook and Miss Noyle were appointed to see Miss Houser about having lunch in the grove. Mr. Beach is to see about the tug of war.

Bill for one dollar, for injuries to Robert Cant, was presented by Mr. Crawford. Moved by Mr. Carter, supported, that the Student Council pay this bill. The financial statements from the Sophomore and the Junior Classes, and from Oratory and Debates were read. Moved and supported that these reports be accepted. Carried.

Mr. McLellan requested that the Junior Class be allowed to hold the J-Hop in the gym, May 9. Moved by Crawford that this be granted. Supported. Carried.

The Student Council will sponsor a dance Campus Night and one on the Thursday before Commencement.

Discussion concerning the Senior sweaters. Crawford moved that the following Seniors: Dean, Tramater, Gussin and Baldwin, receive sweaters. Supported. Carried.

Concerning the Oratory and Debates awards, it was suggested that Mr. Ollis be included. Moved by McLellan that a cup be given to Mr. Ollis similar to the one to be given to Mr. Ruddock. Supported. Carried. Motion for adjournment by Crawford.

ford. Meeting stood adjourned. Respectfully submitted, Dorothy Noyle, Sec.

In answer to a call from the Student Council for financial reports from all College organizations, came the following: Others will be published as received:

**Treasurer's Report JUNIOR CLASS**  
Cash on hand (from dues) \$ 7.00  
Outstanding bills (from freshman year) \$23.45  
Lately submitted, H. M. Crooks, Jr., Treas. Class '32.

**SOPHOMORE CLASS**  
Money in treasury \$50.18  
All bills are paid. Katherine Campbell, Sec'y, and Treas.

**Financial Statement of Student Fund FOR ORATORY AND DEBATE**  
The financial condition of the Oratory and Debate Fund, 1930-31, to date (Apr. 17, 1931) is as follows:  
**Assets**  
Amt. on hand Sept. 15, 1930 \$ 11.78  
Student Fees received to date 368.54  
Other Individual Donations 70.00  
Total to date 450.32

**Debts**  
Fall M. O. L. meeting \$ 12.28  
Prize Awards, Women's Oratory 50.00  
Prize Awards, Men's Oratory 50.00  
Battle Creek Debate—Men, Judges, etc. 22.55  
Grand Rapids Debate—Men, Travel 26.33  
Hope Debate—Women, Travel 28.16  
Ypsilanti Debate—Women, Judges, etc. 33.20  
Adrian Debate—Men, Judges, etc. 22.00  
Kazoo Debate—Men, Travel 27.59  
Kazoo Debate—Women, Travel 28.08  
Albion Debate—Women, Travel 11.09  
Mildred Angel—Telegrams, Phone Calls, Stationery 2.85  
Kenneth Ollis—Telegrams, Phone Calls, Stationery 3.75  
Alma Record, Orations Printed 17.50  
Alma Record, Programs, M.O.L. 9.75  
Annual Dues, M.O.L. 20.00

Total to date \$365.13  
Amount in fund this year \$450.32  
Amount expended this year to date 365.13  
On hand now 85.19  
From amount now on hand plus any additional student fee money received; is to be taken amount needed or Debate and Oratory Awards and possibly expense for another Men's debate trip. Anyone having bills against the Oratory and Debate fund, not mentioned in above statement, please present them for payment at once.

Respectfully submitted, Kenneth Ollis, Student Manager: Oratory & Debate.

**CAUGHT ON THE FLY**

You may be a fine, upstanding respectable citizen, but a banana skin doesn't care.

**ANOTHER WHITE LIE**

"Are mine the only lips you've ever kissed?"  
"Absolutely—a—nd the nicest."

Ann Arbor, Mich., (IP)—A near-hermit, who lived in a tumble-down estate near Rye, N. Y., was in life and in death one of the greatest benefactors the University of Michigan ever had, and its most modest.

Although he gave the University between eight and fifteen million dollars during his lifetime, and bequeathed the institution about twelve million, William Wilson Cook never visited the place after his graduation in 1882, not even for the dedication of the beautiful Lawyers' Club and the Martha Cook dormitory, both of which were his gifts, the latter being named after his mother.

The house in which Cook lived at Rye has been described by neighbors as not worth more than \$500, and containing furniture which was mostly junk.

Here he studied the institutions of the country and worked out the plan described in his will, whereby he believed he might advance their aims and also further the study of law.

The fortune he left, it is dictated in his will, is to be used for the establishment of a legal research building, with research professors and assistants, supported by fellowships, in order to study past legal history, and to publish news concerning improvement and development of criminal and civil procedure; to purchase books with a view to making the law library one of the most complete in the country; to pay higher salaries so as to attract to the University the best teachers, and to increase dormitories and classrooms.

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**Philos Feature Jap Decorations**

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The party committees were headed by:  
 Miss Flora Lau...General Chairman  
 Miss Ida Spencer...Chairman  
 Miss Jean McGarvah...Decorations  
 Miss Vera White...Favors  
 Miss Charlotte Dakin...Programs  
 Miss Dorothea Prouty...Menu  
 Miss Isabelle Sanderson...Invitations  
 Miss Louise Layman...Transportation

**College Party Is Climax to Season**

(Continued from Page 1)  
 started at eight o'clock until the strains of "Goodnight" died away at 11:50, one hundred and five couples thrilled at the party which served to secure the Juniors' claim to being the most active and most capable class on the campus.

The patrons and patronesses were: President and Mrs. H. M. Crooks, Dean Florence Steward, Dean James Mitchell, Professor and Mrs. R. W. Clack, and Professor and Mrs. L. L. Tyler. Mr. and Mrs. William A. Bahke were the invited guests of the Juniors.

The work of the Juniors was at-

tested by the wonderful success of every feature of the party. In addition to General Chairman Gould, the following committee heads were especially active in making the affair Alma's most outstanding social affair:

Elmer Frost, Decorations; Helen Temple, Programs; Arthur Crawford, Favors; Gene Tarrant, Tickets; Sheila Littleton, Publicity; Margaret McMillan, Music; Mary E. Forshar, Invitations; and Grace Eaton, Refreshments.

**Many Enjoy Fine Symphony Concert**

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5. Funeral March of a Marionet ..... Ch. Gounod
- A Hunting Scene (Descriptive piece) Bucalossi Orchestra
6. Serenade ..... Haydn-Pochon
- Angel Gabriel ..... Steward-Pochon String Quartet
7. Serenade Espagnole, George Bizet
- Love's Wilfulness, R. Barthelemy
- Zampa Overture ..... F. Herod Orchestra

**STUDENT FORUM**

My Dear Editor:

Last week poor Caesar got it in the neck. I extend him my sympathy, he needs it. As for our friend, Brutus, time will only tell what will become of him. Now let me tell you a story: Once upon a time there was a frat that was so altruistic that it gave a big smoker for all the freshmen in the college. There was also another frat that gave a smoker for another frat. The story says that everybody had a good time and that there was lots to eat. Then somebody got the idea that the college wasn't being run the way he thought it should be so he sent up a yell that the campus was reeking with a stench that came from something that was rotten. Everybody thought that it was the politics. But they were all wrong, the putrid odor came from the carcass of a great animal

called the two-legged interfraternity council. It had died because it should have had three legs and the two legs wouldn't let the other one work.

Now, boys and girls, listen to the sayings of one who is old and versed in the ways of the world. Don't ever go to frat smokers because politics are rotten. Always write to the Almanian just what you think about anything you don't like on the campus; if you think you are being left out, tell the editor about it. He won't do anything, either. Don't even think that another organization is any good. They might be. And above all, don't forget to vote for Almanian editor.

G. B., '33.

Comment on above letter.

My Dear G. B.:

You seem to be suffering from an insidious disease that often takes men or women on the campus, fear. Fear that someone is trying to drag you and yours through the oft mentioned mud. That such a situation is not so readily apparent. Are you sure that you have nothing on your conscience?

That three-legged animal was reduced to two legs for the very simple reason that it is bad for any animal to be run by one leg. Isn't that so? Politics may be rotten. So are individuals who make them so.

Smokers are on the up and up. Don't forget it. We can't judge one of them by another. Some of us don't try to. The rotten odor comes from no fraternity nor any organization; it comes from individuals, and don't you forget it.

The editor is not upholding one organization more than another. At least he tries not to. If he fails, he does no more than others in the past have done. Did you ever tell the editor about anything that was left out? If you did, when? What was it?

We of the Almanian hope that you find exactly what you want in the toe of your little Christmas stocking. When you gripe, have something to gripe about. I am signing my name. I'm not afraid of it. Are you afraid of yours?

Amos Ruddock.

P. S. Since no name appeared on the above article, the editor does not feel that he is engaging in personalities. The comment should not be taken as such. It applies to a group of grippers in every society and some not belonging to any society. The editor does not know G. B. and realizes that some of the above may not hold true in his case. An apology will be made if this is so.

**A NEW WAY TO COLLECT LODGE DUES**

The new secretary of a lodge in one of the Western states wrote a letter to delinquent members and 50 per cent of those in arrears paid up; he wrote another letter and all but one paid. Finally, he wrote one more and the last man sent in his check. Shortly afterwards the Noble Grand was invited to dinner at the last brother's home.

"You have a new secretary at the lodge, now, haven't you?" inquired the host.

"Yes," answered the Noble Grand, undecided as to how the members felt toward him.

"He writes a nice letter," remarked the host, "except that he can't spell."

"Is that so?" said the Noble Grand.

"Yes, he ought to be corrected on that," said the host seriously. "He spelled 'jackass' with a 'g' and 'fool' with a 'ph'."

**SOLVED**

Nineteen year old Nick was puzzled over the girl problem and he decided to discuss the matter with his friend Holly.

"I've walked to the tennis club with her for three weeks," he confessed, "and carried her racket. I've given her flowers and chocolates, and I've taken her to the movies once a week. Now, do you think I ought to kiss her?"

Holly gave the matter some earnest thought.

"Well, you don't need to, Nick," he replied, "you've done enough for that girl already."

**THE PUTITOFFS**

My friend, have you heard of the town of Yawn,  
 On the banks of the River Slow,  
 Where bloom the Waitawhile flowers fair,  
 Where the Sometimeorother scents the air,  
 And the Softgoeasys grow?

It lies in the valley of Whatstheuse,  
 In the province of Letterslide;  
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