The High School Commencement.

The Class of '02, Graduate With Honors and Receive Diplomas.

TWENTY-EIGHT GRADUATES IN THE EIGHTH GRADE.

The class of 1902, composed of four young men and the same number of young ladies, has passed through the stages of graduation, and the Alma high school has that many more graduates credited up for the alumni of the future. The class of 1902 has worked faithfully and hard for the honors received and each member of the class deserves the reward obtained. These young men and young ladies are now prepared to go forth to battle with life, some perhaps to higher institut ons of learning, others to engage in business pursuits, but it is all the same, whatever walk in life they may ch ose. The graduates this year were: Fred Soule, Ruth Hall, Harry Jefferson, Edith Henson, Howard Crawford, Lulu Wilson, Harry Rogers and Mayme Hayes.

The baccalaureate sermon was delivered in the M. E. church on Sunday evening by Rev. J. R. Wooton who took for his text: "Forgetting those things that are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus," found in Philippians 3:13 14.

The large auditorium of the church was filled to the doors with the friends and patrons of the school who were there to listen to the words of wisdom that were poured forth for the guidance of these young graduates in the future life to come. It was an address long to be remembered by everyone and was one of the best ever delivered before the high school graduates of Alma.

EIGHTH GRADE EXERCISES.

On Monday evening the graduating exercises of the eighth grade were held in the opera house and nine young boys and nineteen young girls received the diplomas, entitling them to enter the high school next year. Last year there were twenty-seven in this class at graduation time, but this year the size had been increased by one. Very appropriately the class had chosen for its motto "The great thing in this world is not so much where we stand as in what direction we are moving." The members of the class were: Edna Abbot, Bessie Borton, Mabel Brainerd, Mary Butler, Howard Campbell, Sheral Callihan, Lillie DePlanta, Bertha Downs, John Dunham, Addie Draper, Harold E. Goodenow, Lewis Hutchinson, Roden C. Hooper, Katherine Hall, Kate McKinley, Rena Miller, John Marchmont, Glen Montigel, Will Montigel, Mae Moody, Bessie Partee, Edna Richardson, Lon Olp, Nell Stevens, Helen Scattergood, Jessie Tucker, Dudley Tinker and Blanche Udelle.

The program opened with a piano solo, Spring Song (Mendelssohn) by Lou Florence Olp, after which Rev J. R. Wooton offered invocation. Music, a. Wiegenlied (J. F. Frank), b. A June Day (G. A. Veazie, Jr.), by the chorus came next, followed by the address, "The Value of Standards," by the Hon. D. E. McClure of Lansing. The address was one long to be remembered and was a very brilliant as well as instructive effort. The large audience was held with the closest attention throughout. Following this was a piano solo, Chanson de Printemps (Henselt) by Mary A. Butler, and then Prof. W. B. Hanson presented the class with diplomas. A piano duet, Wonneteraum, (Meyer-Helmund) by Helen Scattergood and Mabel Brainerd closed the exercises.

CLASS DAY.

The annual class day exercises were held in the high school room Tuesday afternoon, attended by a large number of the friends of the pupils and graduates. The program opened with music and then a meeting of the senior class, purporting to be of a business nature was held. This meeting was something of a farce comedy, rather enjoyed by those in attendance, and was followed by music and then the regular exercises of class day. The members of the class in reading their papers answered to the following very euphonious names on the programs: "Salutory," Abraham Philip J. Soule; "Advice to Juniors," Johnathan Physellis Crawford; "Class Prophecy," Matilda Eliza Maryann V. Henson; "Class Poem—Our Successors," Johnanna Rebecca Clementia B. Hall; "Class Will," Theodosia Maria Sophramia K. Wilson; "Farewell Address," Cleopatra Rachael Elizabeth C. Hayes; "Giftorian," Judest Priest Jefferson; presentation of diplomas by Prof. Albert Hanson (Moses Albert Rogers). A song by the class in which they bid good bye to school and teachers closed the exercises of the afternoon. The participants were all costumed according to the dress worn in rural life, while the stage represented a rustic scene. The entire program of these exercises furnished much amusement for the participants and the audience as well.

COMMENCEMENT.

The commencement exercises were held in the opera house Wednesday evening, and long before the time for the exercises to begin every seat in the hall was filled. A profusion of flowers graced the front of the stage, while the class colors, pale blue and red, were in evidence over the entrance.

The program opened with invocation by Rev. W. K. Spencer, D. D., followed by a girl's trio, The Haymakers (arr. by Anna W. Chester). To Miss Hall was given the salutatory and she choose for her subject, "Pyramids." In dealing with this subject Miss Hall endeavored to impress upon her listeners that we are unable to make a success of life without perseverence, and as an illustration gave a description of how the Egyptian pyramids were constructed and the time and patience it took to accomplish the work.

Following Miss Hall, Miss Henson delivered an oration on "Self-Cultivation in English." Miss Henson's theme was that we should each cultivate our language so as to get the most possible good out of it, and although the average person only uses about 3,000 words of the language, by study and thought the number should be doubled and perhaps trebled.

"The future of Our Navy," was the subject of Mr. Jefferson's oration and the orator sought to draw conclusions from our recent war with Spain in which our navy took such a prominent part. He said it was impossible to estimate the naval strength of any foreign power, and that upon our navy largely depends our future rank with foreign nations.

a. Fairyland Waltz (G. A. Veazie), b. Anchored (arr. from M. Watson by Veazie) by the mixed chorus followed Mr. Jefferson's oration and then Mr. Crawford in an oration, the subject of which was "Who are Our Politicians?" sought to define the difference between the legislator who serves the people and the politician who makes a business of politics. The best men do not always enter politics therefore we cannot look for our smartest men in our statesmen as a rule.

To Miss Wilson was assigned the class history and prophecy, and in a very happy manner she told of the history of the class of 1902 from the period of entering upon the work four years ago until the present time, and then looked forward ten years and prophesied what the future would be for each.

"Democracy in America," was the subject of Mr. Rogers' oration and he portrayed the history of our form of government in a very graphic manner, and for the future predicted a much greater form of government than we have experienced in the past.

This oration was followed by music, Merry June (Vincent) by the girls' chorus and then Miss Hayes delivered an oration on "The Mission of Music." As there never was a nation without some form of religion, so there never was a nation without music, and she told how far back into the ages of the past music was an inspiration to the people and the good in the world that had been accomplished by it.

To Mr. Soule was assigned the happy part of valedictorian and he very appropriately chose for his subject "The Significance of Life." The ideal is in thyself and today we must decide on the future. Mr. Soule drew a very graphic picture of what the future might be for each member of the class if they would follow their ideals of life. His parting words to the class and teachers were touching and the counsel to the classmates was deep and full of feeling.

An instrumental duet, Scene de Ballet (Carl Erfolz), by Misses Hayes and Henson was followed by presentation of diplomas by Superintendent Hanson. In presenting the diplomas Mr. Hanson spoke briefly of the work accomplished by the class and very feelingly eulogized the memory of Miss Grace Wynne, the member of the class who was called to a higher school during the past winter.

On Thursday at 8:00 p. m. the annual reception was held in the K. of P. hall and the banquet served at the Wright House.

Thus another commencement has closed with due credit to teachers and scholars, and thus the glorious work of education goes on from year to year.

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RUTH HALL EDITH HENSON LULU WILSON MAYME HAYES

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ALMA GETS CONVENTION.

State Firemen's Association Will Meet Here in 1903.

Cadillac Wanted It Too.

The delegates to the State Firemen's convention in Holland last week returned home quite jubilant over the fact of having won out in the contest over the location of the meeting for 1903, and securing it for Alma. Cadillac was the only opposition Alma had to fight for securing the location and owing to the fact that the size of that city is so much greater than Alma, the odds seemed in favor of that place, but the Alma delegates worked from the time of reaching Holland until the vote was taken, with the result that when the ballot was counted, 43 of the votes were in favor of Alma and 35 for Cadillac. The contest in the convention was spirited but friendly, and at the close those who had opposed the convention being held here, were unanimous in expressing their intentions of being at this place when the convention was held. The Ithaca and St. Louis delegates worked with the Alma delegation in securing the meeting and much credit is due them for their assistance. The meeting was a very instructive one according to the reports of the delegates, and socially the people of Holland knew well how to entertain. Boat rides, trolly rides and banquets were on the program, and to wind up the meeting the officers of the association had prepared a trip to Chicago by boat and those who went were the guests of the Chicago fire department on Friday.

The officers for the association the ensuing year are: L. L. Thompson, Allegan, president; A. P. Lane, Ithaca, 1st vice-president; L. T. Kanters, Holland, 2d vice president; Chas. Fishbeck, Alma, 3d vice president; A. R. Canfield, Clare, secretary and treasurer; Samuel Robinson, Charlotte, statistician.

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GRADE FIELD DAY.

A field day was ran off between the eighth and seventh grades, Wednesday. The events resulted in the following scores:

100 yard dash—1st Tinker; 2d Hutchinson; 3d Grover.

Running broad jump—Tinker 1st; May 2d; Hutchinson 3d.

Pole vault—Gengwer 1st; May 2d; Hutchinson 3d.

220 yard dash—Tinker 1st; Hutchinson 2d; Gongwer 3d.

Running hop, step and jump—Tinker 1st; Gongwer 2d; Vermeulen 3d.

Running high jump—Grover 1st; Campbell 2d.

One-half mile run—Hutchinson 1st; Gongwer 2d; Marchmont 3d.

Standing hop, step and jump—Tinker 1st; Grover 2d; Vermueulen 3d.

Total number of points—8th, 42; 7th, 30.

A ball game was played which was errorless; score, 11 to 8 in favor of the seventh grade.

TINKER and GROVER, Captains.

College Department.

Devoted to the Interests of Alma College

The Commencement Almanian came out Monday morning. It contains three full page half-tones.

J. L. McBride went home to Corunna Saturday afternoon. He returned for commencement.

The Glee Club officers for next year are as follows: President, T. Geo. Timby; vice-president, Howard Griffin; secretary, J. L. McBride; treasurer, Earl Webber; business manager, Pearl Fuller.

At the Athletic Association annual meeting Monday afternoon, the following officers were elected for next year: President, A. J. Helmer; vice-president, H. H. Soule; secretary, Carl Whitney; treasurer, John Robinson; graduate football manager, Prof. J. E. Mitchell; undergraduate manager, W. R. Baker; track manager, H. H. Soule; baseball manager, H. N. Ronald.

Notice of Village Taxes.

Commencing Wednesday June 18th 1902 I will be at the store of Smith & Glass Wednesday and Friday of each week for the purpose of collecting the village taxes of 1902.

GEO. E. WILSON, Treasurer.

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ADDITIONAL LOCAL.

Mrs. E. J. Barkham and Miss Galia Wood of Sheridan visited friends in Alma during commencement.

Rev. O. J. Blackford and mother of Vassar visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Hayes during commencement.

The Sunday excursions were quite well patronized from this place last Sunday, 65 tickets being sold for Saginaw and 64 for Toledo.

Miss Clara Pringle left on Wednesday for Charlevoix to accept the position of book-keeper and stenographer in the Hotel Belvidere during the summer.

The open air band concert on the streets last Wednesdey night was very much appreciated and it is hoped that they will be continued during the summer.

The thirteenth annual reunion of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Veteran League and Woman's Relief Corps of Montcalm county will be held at Crystal July 2, 3, 4 and 5.

Geo. Gage had his right foot quite badly injured on Saturday last by a cake of ice falling onto it. He has been obliged to use crutches this week in consequence.

H. J. Vermeulen has a big four-page ad. in this issue. Mr. Vermeulen is always hustling after business and is a firm believer in printer's ink; with a knowledge of where to place his advertising to get the best results.

R. D. Wagner has accepted the position of leader and director of the Ithaca band which has recently been reorganized with an instrumentation of eighteen pieces. In connection with this work Mr. Wagner has also accepted the position of book-keeper for Pinney & Horr of that place.

The expansionists won out in the Maccabee contest at Marquette last week and N. S. Boynton was re-elected great commander, Frances E. Burns of St. Louis was also re-elected great commander of the L. O. T. M. Battle Creek was chosen for the next biennial meeting.

At the annual encampment of the department of Michigan, G. A. R held in Pontiac last week, Muskegon was chosen for the next meeting and Edward C Anthony elected department commander. "Ren" Barker of Reed City was elected delegate at large to the national encampment at Washington Oct. 6.

The Pere Marquette trains on this division have all been equipped with new vestibuled platforms with the exception of the parlor cars and that will be done in a short time. One new coach has been put on which is very handsome as well as convenient and we understand that these new coaches are to be supplied on all the trains very soon. They are considerably longer than the other coaches and are lighted with gas.

An item is going the rounds of the State press to the effect that no one expectorates on the sidewalks at Lexington just a present. The other day a man was about to do so when he bethought him the gutter was a more proper place and, as he stepped to the curb to do so he found a quarter lying in the road. We have not as yet witnessed any rush for the gutter in Alma since the item appeared in print, however.

PLAIN TALK

Straight Talk and to the Point The Virtues of Dr A. W. Chase's Nerve Pills Told in a Few Words by an Alma Citizen Who Knows.

Mr. C. A. Fritz of Alma, Mich., says: "I was feeling poorly all spring and had a good deal of rheumatism and nervous headaches. I did not rest well at night. I had tried different medicines without success when I got some of Dr. A. W. Chase's Nerve Pills at Sharrar & Mulholland's drug store and had used them about two weeks when I was feeling splendid. I have no hesitation in recommending them." Dr. A. W. Chase's Nerve Pills are sold at 50c a box at dealers, or Dr. A. W. Chase Medicine Co., Buffalo N. Y. See that portrait and signature of A. W. Chase, M. D. are on every package.

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FOR RENT.—Good house and lot in Alma. Inquire of J. L. Miller, Ithaca, Mich. 1212-tf

FOR SALE;—A nearly new McCormick "Daisy" reaper, run one season. For further particulars, inquire of C. A. Elliott, Elm Hall, Mich. 1211-4w

TAKEN UP.—About two weeks ago there came into my enclosure, south of the sugar factory, a pig. Owner please call, pay charges and take property. 1204 WM. STORY.

NOTICE OF DRAIN LETTING AND REVIEW;—Notice is hereby given that I, Parker Merrill, County Drain Commissioner of the County of Gratiot, State of Michigan, will, on the

30th Day of June, A. D., 1902,

at the residence of James Mole, on the s ½ of s w ¼ of s w ¼ of section 5, township of Elba, Gratiot County, Michigan, at nine o'clock in the forenoon of that day, proceed to receive bids for the furnishing and laying sewer pipe in a portion of a certain drain known and designated as Shellenbarger Drain, located in the township of Elba, in said county of Gratiot, and described as follows, to-wit:

Minutes of survey of center line and specifications for tiling a portion of the Shellenbarger drain located on sections 5 and 8, township of Elba, County of Gratiot, Mich.

(LOWER PORTION.)

Commencing in channel of Shellenbarger drain at 27 lks east and 3 35 chs south of north ¼ post between Secs 7 and 8; thence north 3 35 chs and cross north ½ line sec 8 at 27 lks east of north ¼ post between sections 7 and 8.

Thence on same course 15 lks and end at 27 lks east of west line Sec 8.

(UPPER PORTION.)

Commencing in channel of Shellenbarger drain at 2 90 chs south and 29 lks east of corner to sections 5, 6, 7 and 8, Elba township; thence n 0° 15' e 2.90 chs and cross line between Secs. 5 and 8 at 29 lks east of corner to Secs 5, 6, 7 and 8.

Thence on same course 5 10 chs and end at 29 lks east of west line Sec 5.

Length of lower portion; 3.5 chs.

Length of upper portion; 8 chs.

Total length of drain to be tiled; (799 feet).

The length of drain on each description of land is as follow:

T 11 N R 1 W

(LOWER PORTION.)

Description.	Sec.	Chains.
n ½ of s ½ of nw ¼	8	3 35
nw ¼ of sw ¼	8	0 15
(UPPER PORTION.)		
nw ¼ of nw ¼	8	2 90
s ½ of sw ¼ of sw ¼		5 10

SPECIFICATIONS.

Said work will be let in one contract, to furnish and complete, in accordance with the diagram now on file with the other papers pertaining to said drain in the office of the County Drain Commissioner of the County of Gratiot, to which reference may be had by all parties interested, and bids will be made and received accordingly. Contracts will be made with the lowest responsible bidder giving adequate security for the performance of the work, in a sum to be fixed then and there by me, reserving to myself the right to reject any and all bids. The date for the completion of such contract and the terms of payment therefor shall be announced at the time and place of letting.

Notice is further hereby given, that at the time and place of said letting or at such other time and place thereafter to which I, the County Drain Commissioner aforesaid, may adjourn the same the assessments for benefits and the lands comprised within the Shellenbarger drain special assessment district, and the apportionments thereof will be announced by me and will be subject to review for one day, from nine o'clock in the forenoon until five o'clock in the afternoon. The following is a description of the several tracts or parcels of land constituting the special assessment district of said drain, to-wit:

ELBA TOWNSHIP.

n w ¼	sec. 5
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Land commencing 24 rds n of s e cor. section 6, n 56 rds; w 40 rds; s 56 rds; e 40 rds. to place of beginning, section 6.

Land commencing at s e cor. of section 6, n 24 rds; w 26½ rds; s 12 rds; e 13½ rds; s 12 rds; e to place of beginning, section 6.

Land commencing 13½ rds w of s e cor section 6, w 13½ rds; n 12 rds; e 13½ rds; s 12 rds. to place of beginning, section 6.

Land commencing 40 rds. w of s e cor section 6, n 24 rds; e 13½ rds; s 24 rds; w 13½ rds to beginning, section 6.

Land commencing 16 rds. e of s w cor of s e ¼ of s e ¼ section 6, n 10 rds; e 4 rds; s 10 rds; w 4 rds to beginning, section 6.

Land commencing at s w cor of s e ¼ of s e ¼ sec 6, n 20 rds; e 16 rds; s 20 rds; w 16 rds to beginning, sec. 6.

w ½ of s ½ of se ¼ except a piece in sw cor 20 rds n and s by 16 rds e and w and except a piece commencing 16 rds e of s w cor of s e ¼ of s e ¼ sec 6, n 10 rds; e 4 rds; s 10 rds, w 4 rds to beginning, sec 6.

w ½ of s e ¼	sec 6
w ½ of n e ¼ of n e ¼	sec. 7
s ½ of n e ¼ of n e ¼	sec. 7
w ½ of n w ¼ of n w ¼	sec 8

HAMILTON TOWNSHIP.

e ½ of s e ¼	sec. 31
w ½ of s w ¼	sec. 32

Now, therefore, for the Township of Elba, Supervisor S. W. Coon and Highway Commissioner Riley Letts, and all unknown of non-resident persons, owners and persons interested in the above described land, and each of you of the names set opposite the above descriptions, are hereby notified that at the time and place aforesaid, or at such other time and place thereafter to which said hearing may be adjourned, I shall proceed to receive bids for the construction of said Shellanbarger drain, in the manner hereinbefore stated and also that at such time of letting from nine o'clock in the forenoon to five o'clock in the afternoon, the assessment for benefits, and the lands comprised within the Shellenbarger drain special assessment district will be subject to review. And you, and each of you, owners and persons interested in the aforesaid land, are hereby cited to appear at the time and place of said letting, as aforesaid, and be heard with respect to such special assessments and your interests in relation thereto, if you so desire.

Dated this 10th day of June, A. D., 1902.

PARKER MERRILL, County Drain Commissioner of the County of Gratiot.

PROBATE NOTICE:—State of Michigan, County of Gratiot, Probate Court for said County, ss:—Notice is hereby given, That by an order of the Probate Court for the County of Gratiot, made on the 31st day of May, A. D., 1902, six months from that date were allowed for creditors to present their claims against the estate of Hannah M. Edwards, late of said County, deceased, and that all creditors of said deceased are required to present their claims to said probate court at the probate office, in the village of Ithaca, for examination and allowance, on or before the 29th day of November next, and that such claims will be heard before said Court on Saturday the 30th day of August and on Saturday the 29th day of November next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon of each of those days.

Dated, Ithaca, June 5th, A. D., 1902.

6-6-4w ISAAC S. SEAVER, Judge of Probate.

NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, } ss.
CO. OF GRATIOT, }

In the matter of the estate of Samuel H. Loveland, deceased, notice is hereby given that in pursuance of an order granted to the undersigned, administrator of the estate of said Samuel H. Loveland, deceased, by the Honorable Judge of Probate for the county of Gratiot, on the 10th day of June, A. D. 1902, there will be sold at public vendue, to the highest bidder, at the premises of the village of Alma, in the Co. of Gratiot, in said state on,

Wednesday, July 30, 1902,

at one o'clock in the afternoon of that day (subject to all encumbrances by mortgage or otherwise existing at the time of the death of said deceased or at the time of sale, and also subject to the right of dower and the homestead rights of the widow of said deceased therein) the following described real estate, to-wit:

Lot ten (10) block six (6) Case's addition to the village of Alma, Gratiot county, state of Michigan, according to the recorded plot of said village.

Terms of sale made known at time of sale,

JUDSON BARRETT, Administrator of the estate of Samuel H. Loveland, deceased.

Dated Ithaca, June 10, 1902.

PROBATE ORDER OF HEARING. State of Michigan, County of Gratiot, ss.—At a session of the Probate Court for said County held at the Probate office in the Village of Ithaca, on the 3rd day of June in the year one thousand nine hundred two.

Present, Isaac S. Seaver, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the Beattie and Goff drain in the townships of Arcada and Emerson of said county.

On reading and filing the petition duly verified, of ten freeholders of said county, also certificate of Parker Merrill, the drain commissioner, of said county, claiming that he is disqualified, to act in the matter of said drain. He therefore prays that this court appoint some suitable person who is a freeholder of said county to act in the capacity of special drain commissioner in the matter of said drain. Lands to be affected by said drain are as follows: Sections 35 and 36, Pine River; sections 1 and 12, Arcada and branch thereto affects lands of sections 12 and 13, Arcada, and sections 7 and 18, Emerson townships.

Thereupon it is Ordered, That Saturday, the 21st day of June, next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, be assigned for the hearing of said petition, and that the disqualification of said drain commissioner be determined and all persons interested in said drain, are required to appear at a session of said Court, then to be holden in the Probate Office, in the Village of Ithaca, and show cause, if any there be, why the prayer of the petitioner should not be granted:

And it is Further Ordered, That said petitioner give notice to the persons interested in said drain, of the pendency of said petition, and the hearing thereof, by causing a copy of this order to be published in the ALMA RECORD, a newspaper printed and circulated in said County, for two successive weeks previous to said day of hearing.

(Seal.) ISAAC S. SEAVER,
(A true copy.) 6-6-2w Judge of Probate.

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