



FIRST STATE BANK

(Successors to W. S. Turck & Co. Bankers)
ALMA, MICHIGAN.

A. W. Wright, Pres. Wm. S. Turck, V. Pres.
E. J. Brewbaker, Cashier
C. D. Ward, Assistant Cashier.

Capital, \$50,000 Established 1880
Surplus, \$1,300 Organized 1901

General Banking, Business Transacted,
Safety Deposit Boxes for Rent

The Alma State Savings Bank

ALMA, MICH.
Capital Stock, \$25,000.

OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS
WILLIAM A. BAHKE, Pres't Dan'l J. Sherratt
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Geo. W. Moore, Cashier Chas. H. Lachamboy

Approved notes bought at reasonable rates
and a general banking business transacted.
Money to loan on real estate at low rates
without bonus.
Safety Deposit Boxes for Rent.
Office, Bahke Block, Alma

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Best Teeth, \$4.00,
\$6.00 and \$8.00 per
Set.

Filling and Preserving the Natural
Teeth.
Crown and Bridge Work a specialty.
OFFICE IN
OPERA HOUSE BLOCK, ALMA, MICH.
Union Telephone No. 28

Insurance...

Fire, Tornado, Plate Glass
and Accident

writer in the best of old line
American Companies at lowest
current rate.

HERBERT N. HAYES,
Notary Public.

All kinds of Legal Papers drawn.
Pension Papers executed.

OFFICE...
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Phone No. 28.

"What can't be cured, can be endured, if
well treated." In some good company
represented by me. Call in and see me

DR. F. G. OLP,

(Successor to Dr. Furrmort)

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Months which have been previously
hard to fit with Artificial
Teeth a specialty.

Teeth extracted in the new Pollasky
without pain. Block
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OFFICE...
NEW BAHKE BLOCK

Notary Public...

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Representing the following
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Alma Fire
Hartford Fire
Pennsylvania Fire
Detroit F. & M. Fire
German-American Fire
North British & Mercantile Fire
Lloyds Plate Glass
The United States Health and
Accident of Saginaw, Mich.

Alma Roller Mills
is always Good

FLOUR

White
Wholesome
Nutritious

Costs no more and is better
than other flour of the same
grade.

BRANDS:

Alma (Patent).
Arcada (Straight).
Bakers (Clear).

Ask Your Grocer For It.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.
Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets.
All druggists refund the money if it
fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature
is on each box. 25c. 1194-1yr.

A WEEK OF CARNIVAL.

Alma Has Secured a Merchant's
Carnival for This Month.



Smarting, Burning and
Aching Eyes

Scattergood & Jacobs.
Jewelers and Opticians,
ALMA, MICH.

Business Still Increasing.

The Union Telephone Company's
Growing Every Day and the
Stockholders Pleased.

One of the Largest and Strongest
Companies in the State.

The Union Telephone company was
organized in March, 1899, with a capital
stock of \$25,000, the idea being to fur-
nish an independent telephone service
in Gratiot county and vicinity. In May
of the same year, they purchased what
was known as the Gratiot County Tele-
phone company and the county of Mont-
calm being supplied with independent
telephone service by the Montcalm Tele-
phone association, it was deemed advis-
able to consolidate the two companies to
facilitate the service.

In March, 1901, the National company
of St. Johns and the Union were con-
solidated, making a very formidable
company for the central part of the state
there being invested at that time, over
\$100,000.

In May, 1901, it was deemed advis-
able by the directors to strengthen its eastern
borders, and so a consolidation with the
Owosso Telephone company was effect-
ed, with the result that the company
now has the best of situations to do busi-
ness in, and an outlook to further ex-
tend its lines in the eastern part of the
state.

In March, 1902, the stockholders voted
to increase the capital stock to \$400,000,
for the purpose of building additional
toll lines, leaving it to the discretion of
the board when it should be issued.
There is at this date \$300,000 authorized,
\$205,000 of the amount being issued.
The territory now occupied includes
everything inside the boundaries of Har-
rison on the north; Saginaw and Bay
City on the east; Lansing on the south;
and Ionia, Greenville, and Lakeview on
the west. In addition the company is
now building towards Pontiac from
Owosso, and Big Rapids from Edmore.
The company now owns exchanges in
all the important towns in this territory
and toll stations in the balance, with
2,782 telephones in operation at this
date.

This company has never sold a dollar's
worth of stock at less than 100 cents,
and no one has been the recipient of
stock as a bonus or otherwise. There is
no preferred stock and no bonded
indebtedness, the total assets being
\$297,207.02 at the present time.

The regular semi-annual dividend of
four per cent was declared July 1st, and
the stockholders have each received their
checks from Secretary Bromley.

A new system of systematizing the
work of the company has been inaugu-
rated, dividing the construction and re-
pair work, Mr. A. B. Clark, formerly
chief operator for the Valley Telephone
Co. of Saginaw and who had charge of
all the toll lines of that company, being
placed at the head of the repair division
as wire chief, with headquarters at
Owosso.

Don't be persuaded into taking some-
thing said to be "just as good" as Mad-
ison Medicine Co.'s Rocky Mountain Tea.
There is nothing like it. 35 cts., no more
no less. 1216 1 m.—Bivins & Rhodes.

Sealed Bids Wanted.
Sealed bids will be received until
July 15th, 1902, for the construction of
a Village Hall in the village of Alma,
Michigan, according to plans and spec-
ifications now on file in the clerk's office
in said village. The Common Council
reserve the right to reject any and all
bids. A certified check of 3 per cent
must accompany all bids.

W. W. KINCH, Village Clerk.

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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A WEEK OF CARNIVAL.

Alma Has Secured a Merchant's
Carnival for This Month.

Biggest Week Ever in the History of
the Town.

LARGEST FERRIS WHEEL

A representative of the Robinson Car-
nival Co. was in Alma this week and
made the necessary arrangements for a
carnival week in this place, commencing
Monday, July 21, and ending Saturday,
July 26. This will be the largest amuse-
ment week ever in the history of the
town. Numerous free attractions will
take place each day and excursions will
be run from every direction. This com-
pany furnishes all the attractions and
guarantees all to be of a strictly legiti-
mate nature, no gambling devices of
any kind being allowed. The various
tents will be placed along the main
street, the largest Ferris wheel in ex-
istence being at one end, while at the
other will be placed a stand from which
one of their men will dive backwards
from a height of 95 feet into a tank of
water less than four feet deep. This
latter attraction will take place twice
each day and will be free to everyone.

The Carnival company also furnishes
a band of music each day to play con-
tinuously during the week. The car-
nival is held in St. Johns the week pre-
vious and following here will be in Bay
City. Further particulars will be given
next week.

When you awake in the morning feel-
ing like the end of a mispent life, your
mouth full of fir and your soul full of re-
grets, take Rocky Mountain Tea. There
is nothing like it. 35 cts., no more no less.
1216 1 m —Bivins & Rhodes

An Evening of Music.

The piano recital given by the pupils
of Miss Gertrude Whiting in the opera
house last Monday evening was a well
come surprise to those who attended.
This was the first public recital given by
the pupils of Miss Whiting and therefore
the excellence of the program was unex-
pected to many. Each number was
routinely encored and willingly respon-
ded to. Those who assisted on the program
were Mrs. Lillian McCullough-Palfrey,
singer; Misses Sarah L. Ward and Ber-
tha W. Stevens, and Dr. Geo. S. Brown-
log, vocal soloists, and Miss Edith Hen-
son, piano.

This recital closed the year's work of
this class, and Miss Whiting will leave
soon for Ann Arbor where she will re-
main until September 1st, when she will
return and resume her work.

THE PYTHIAN MINISTRELS.

Promise to be a Big Spectacular Event.
The Pythian minstrel show to be put
on at the opera house next Thursday
and Friday nights, bids fair to be the
best of the kind ever produced in Alma.
The entertainment is under the auspices
of Fitz James Lodge No. 95, and Edel-
weiss Co. No. 4, U. R. K. of P., and is
being personally conducted by C. G.
Nunn, who has been engaged in the
minstrel business for years. Mr. Nunn
was formerly director and writer with
Geo. Wilson's "Modern" Minstrels;
Haverly-Cleveland "Magnificent" Min-



C. G. NUNN.

strels: Billy Rice & Burt Shepard's
"Elegant" Minstrels, and with Col. J.
H. Haverly's "European Mastodon"
Minstrels and McIntire & Heath's
"Southern" Minstrels.

The program includes 70 people on
the stage: 20 ladies, 20 little girls, 10
boy sopranos, and 20 prominent men of
Alma as end men and comedians. The
orchestra has been engaged for the per-
formance and will be under the direc-
tion of Mrs. Nunn.

This is to be a high class performance,
Mr. Nunn furnishing all costumes. The
price of admission has been placed at
25, 35 and 50 cents, and the house should
be filled. Reserved seats will be placed
on sale at Sharrar & Mulholland's drug
store.

What makes the Well-Dressed Man

Perfectly Fitting, Stylish Clothes.

Who sell "Perfectly Fitting Fashionable Clothes"—Clothes entirely different from the ordinary ready-
made clothes—Clothes so absolutely perfect in style and fit as to be compared to the very best made to-
order garments only?

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and we sell more of those famous Clothes to the fashionable dressers of
this town and county than all other dealers put together. We do it be-
cause the absolute fit and exclusive styles appeal to the biggest class of
intelligence, and knowing the rigid tests to which every yard of the
fabrics are put, and the superb scientific tailoring of every garment,
we can confidently recommend and guarantee every garment. Price
about one half what a tailor would charge you.

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MESSINGER'S, Alma, Michigan.

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You will find the largest assortment of Warm Weather Materials
and Garment in the county. Fine

Wash Goods, Silks, Wool Challies,
Laces, Embroideries and Ribbons,
Beautiful Wash and Silk Waists,
etc., etc.

The perfect fitting kinds—made in all the latest styles by skilled
workmen. In walking Skirts we show all the new shades and
styles. Our skirts are those that attract the attention of persons
who admire a perfect fit and up-to-date styles.

Hosiery, Underwear, Corsets, etc.

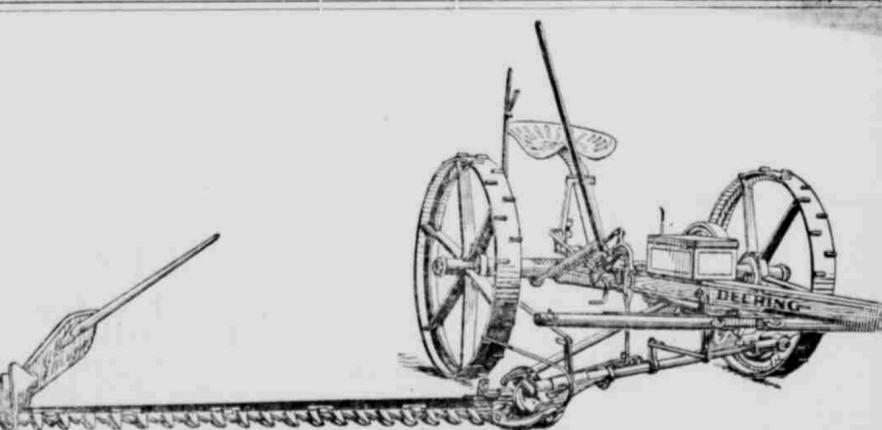
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lish, comfortable Shoes, at moderate prices. Once a customer al-
ways a customer is brought about by our reliable goods and
methods.

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