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## AWARDED THE MEDAL

### Has Completed Computation of Comet Orbit

## PAUL DELEVAN IN LIMELIGHT

### Comet Visible to Eye in September With Telescope For Two Years

The following taken from a letter recently received by C. L. Delevan from his son, Paul, of the La Plata University, Buenos Aires, S. A., and referring to the comet which he discovered will be of interest to his many friends in Alma.

"Mr. Dawson and I have finished computing the orbit of the comet, using a longer arc than we had at first. The results are in agreement with the first but more precise and have sent our results to the *Astronomical Journal* for publication. Our determination shows that the comet will continue to approach the sun until Oct. 30. On account of the position of the earth at that time, however, it will be best seen in the northern hemisphere in September, at which time it will be a naked eye object, but not a very conspicuous one. During September it will be above the horizon all night in Michigan; in the evening in the northwest, at midnight low down in the north and in the morning in the northeast. Unfortunately the earth is in the most unfavorable position possible during the whole of this comet's visibility. During the whole time the earth and comet are on exactly opposite sides of the sun.

If the comet were to come to perihelion either six months earlier or six months later than it does the earth and comet would be on the same side of the sun bringing the object 20 times as close to us. This would increase the brightness 400 times, making it a sight never to be forgotten. It would have equalled or surpassed Donati's comet of 1858 or the great comet of 1882. Even as it is, it will be visible in the telescope for two years, when the average period of visibility is about three months for a comet. The fact that it was more than 500 million miles away when I discovered it shows that it must be of enormous size.

Also a letter received April 1st gives the following:

I have just received a letter from director Campbell of the Lick Observatory, chairman of the comet medal committee of the Astronomical Society of the Pacific, officially notifying me that I have been awarded the Donahue comet medal of that Society for the discovery of an unexpected comet on Dec. 17 and that the medal would be forwarded as soon as engraved.

## Summer-Seville Farmers' Club.

The April meeting of the Club was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Handley. The weather and roads interfered with a large attendance but the twenty or more present had a very enjoyable and profitable time. In the absence of President Garret, Mr. Howard L. Holmes was chosen as chairman of the day. Mrs. Handley led in the opening song by the club and C. F. Hainline, president of Arcadia club, who was present, offered the invocation. A duet by Mrs. Handley and son, Howard, was appreciated and the chief topic of the day, "The Shipment of Liquor into Dry Territory," was taken up. Mr. John Morton was called to the chair and Mr. Holmes upon request spoke of the real strength and weaknesses of the present local option law. He reviewed the Petersen case of Cadillac showing the interpretation of the law by the state supreme court as to what was considered a man's domicile and who was his guest. Also the case of a clerk of the Downey House of Lansing which was carried to the state supreme court and the Eberly case, etc. Court definitions as to who were common carriers and the later amendments to the law specifying how shipments of liquors should be marked proved an interesting feature of the talk.

Mr. C. F. Hainline emphasized the curse of liquor for beverage purposes and the responsibility of being still "our brother's keeper."

The question box discussion brought out the features of strawberry culture, the supply of the wife's spending money and the farming conditions of north-west Seville township.

The business of the club was postponed till the next meeting and the place for the May meeting was left with the committee.

The club adjourned after singing "Love Divine All Love Excelling."

EDITH M. FERRIS,  
Sec. Pro. Tem.

Mrs. Martin Smith entertained the W. C. T. U. at her home Saturday afternoon.

## St. John's Church, Easter Sunday

Holy communion, 6:00 a. m.  
Organ voluntary.  
Processional.  
Commandments.  
Solo (offertory) Come See the Place Where Jesus Lay, Hammond. Mr. J. Chick.  
Sanctus.  
Communion hymn.  
Gloria in Excelsis.  
Nunc Dimittis.  
Recessional.  
Organ voluntary.  
Morning prayer and holy communion at 10:00 a. m.  
Organ voluntary.  
Processional.  
General confession.  
Anthem.  
Psalms for Easter.  
First Lesson.  
Te Deum.  
Second Lesson.  
Benedictus.  
Nicene Creed.  
Prayers.  
Hymn.  
Commandments.  
Hymn.  
Sermon.  
Offertory Solo—Alleluia—Hunthries.  
Mrs. E. Sidebotham.  
Sanctus.  
Communion hymn.  
Gloria in Excelsis.  
Nunc Dimittis.  
Recessional.  
Organ voluntary.  
Vespers and Children's Hour—5:00 p. m.  
Organ voluntary.  
Processional.  
General confession and absolution.  
Psalms.  
First Lesson.  
Magnificat.  
Second Lesson.  
Nunc Dimittis.  
Apostles' Creed.  
Prayers.  
Anti-Com—Love the Lord—Choir.  
Prayers.  
Hymn.  
Offertory Duet—Forever With the Lord (Gounod) Miss McGreaham and Miss Olive Smith.  
Benediction.  
Orison.  
Recessional.  
Organ voluntary.

## TO ATTRACT WILD BIRDS

## Woman's Club Has Secured Earnest Harold Baynes for Lecture Monday Eve., April 20

Through the kindness of Mrs. J. H. Lancashire the Woman's Club has secured Earnest Harold Baynes for his lecture on "Wild Birds and How to Attract Them."

The lecture will be given at the high school auditorium Monday evening, April 20, at 7:30 o'clock.

"No lecture on Mr. Baynes' list has been farther reaching in its effects than this one. So minute are the instructions given in the methods used by Mr. Baynes in attracting birds, and so convincing are the lantern slides illustrating these methods, that everyone in the audience goes home with the determination to form a bird club in his own town or village. Among the many bird clubs already organized as a direct result of this lecture are those at Meriden, Hanover, Cornish, Claremont, Charlestown, Walpole and Franklin, New Hampshire; Montpelier, Vermont; Springfield, Milton, Brookline, Southborough, Groton, Williamstown and Pittsfield, Massachusetts, and Glens Falls, New York.

It is the work treated of in this lecture which led to the writing of Percy MacKaye's famous Bird Masque, "Sanctuary," which is dedicated to Mr. Baynes, and in which two of President Wilson's daughters took part at its initial performance in the interest of wild bird protection."

Admission, 15 cents. Public school children, 10 cents.

## WHO CAN BEAT IT?

Andrew Shaw of this city has 25 pullets, 12 Buff Leghorns and 13 Buff Orpingtons, that laid 1545 eggs between October, 1913 and March, 1914. During the month of—

October	6 eggs
November	176 eggs
December	256 eggs
January	337 eggs
February	334 eggs
March	436 eggs
Total	1545 eggs

Total 1545 eggs  
At the prices during the year Mr. Shaw's pullets have certainly paid for themselves.

In his lecture to be given in the high school auditorium April 20, "Mr. Baynes shows the results of successful experiments in feeding wild birds in winter, of erecting attractive bird houses, of establishing bird fountains and of planting the garden with a view to attracting the most delightful bird visitors."

## A. P. COOK THE MAYOR

### Republicans Elect the Entire City Ticket

## CITIZENS TICKET SUPERVISORS

### City Council Will Stand Six Republicans and Two Democrats or "Citizens"

Six hundred and sixty-two votes were cast in the four wards of the city at the election held last Monday. The votes by wards were as follows:

### FIRST WARD

Mayor—A. P. Cook .....125.....13  
Otto Sanderhoff .....112.....11  
Clerk—Delos W. Adams .....172.....107  
Homer W. Dunham .....65.....65  
Treasurer—Jesse E. Fuller .....133.....29  
Charles R. Murphy .....104.....104  
Supervisor—F. L. McConkey .....117.....2  
John Parrish .....119.....2  
Alderman (2 years)—Geo. H. Peery .....139.....42  
F. O. Grover .....97.....97  
Constable—Oscar Vibber .....146.....56  
John Gorwarz .....90.....90

### SECOND WARD

Mayor—A. P. Cook .....57.....57  
Otto Sanderhoff .....93.....36  
Clerk—Delos W. Adams .....97.....44  
Homer W. Dunham .....53.....53  
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Treasurer—Jesse E. Fuller .....82.....14  
C. R. Murphy .....68.....68  
Supervisor—A. W. Brock .....47.....47  
Isaac Russell .....103.....56  
Alderman (2 years)—Henry Sandall .....54.....54  
Howard Willard .....96.....42  
Alderman (1 year)—L. W. Race .....78.....6  
Howard Holmes .....72.....7

### THIRD WARD

Mayor—A. P. Cook .....63.....26  
Otto Sanderhoff .....37.....37  
Clerk—Delos W. Adams .....77.....55  
Homer W. Dunham .....22.....22  
Treasurer—Jesse E. Fuller .....58.....17  
Chas. Murphy .....41.....41  
Supervisor—Chris Renner .....42.....42  
John Sullivan .....56.....14  
Alderman—Geo. Ogden .....58.....17  
J. A. Baker .....41.....41  
Constable—Geo. Brown .....66.....34  
John Skiver .....32.....32

### FOURTH WARD

Mayor—A. P. Cook .....95.....36  
Otto Sanderhoff .....59.....59  
Clerk—D. W. Adams .....105.....56  
Homer W. Dunham .....49.....49  
Treasurer—Jesse E. Fuller .....75.....3  
Chas. Murphy .....78.....3  
Supervisor—Chas. L. Delavan .....61.....61  
J. D. Helman .....92.....31  
Alderman—Frank E. Pollasky .....56.....56  
Louis B. Kehn .....97.....41  
Constable—F. G. Bennett .....80.....7  
E. W. Lake .....73.....73

### SUMMARY

Mayor—A. P. Cook .....340.....39  
Otto Sanderhoff .....301.....301  
Clerk—Delos W. Adams .....451.....262  
Homer Dunham .....189.....189  
Treasurer—Jesse Fuller .....348.....57  
Chas. R. Murphy .....291.....291  
The surprise of the day was the vote polled by F. L. McConkey, Republican candidate for Supervisor from the First ward. Mr. McConkey was placed on the ticket to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Ezra L. Smith, and with only a short time in which to see the voters of his ward he succeeded in cutting the majority of the recognized vote getter, John Parrish, down to two.

## SEVILLE TOWNSHIP.

In this township the People's party cast 91 straight votes while the Citizen's cast 51, resulting as follows:

Supervisor—Charles E. Going (P) .....165.....71  
Walter Swope (C) .....94.....94  
Clerk—Frank E. French, Jr. (P) .....143.....31  
Paul C. Collier (C) .....112.....112  
Treasurer—Fred L. Chapman (P) .....155.....57

James Schnepf (C) .....98.....98  
Highway Commissioner—Delbert F. Crum (P) .....155.....46  
Alex E. Miller (C) .....109.....109  
Overseer Highway—William Shong (P) .....163.....73  
Lewis H. Boyer (C) .....90.....90  
Justice of the Peace—Warren C. Pugsley (P) .....155.....62  
George Taft (C) .....93.....93  
Member Board Review—William Carroll (P) .....136.....24  
Walter C. Mallory (C) .....112.....112  
Constables—Dewey Parks (P) .....150.....50  
E. B. Rockwell (C) .....100.....100  
Constable—Arthur Welch (P) .....144.....40  
John Peterson (C) .....104.....104  
Constable—C. B. Rockwell (P) .....134.....19  
F. Schnepf (C) .....115.....115  
Constable—E. Matthewson (P) .....139.....31  
Peter W. Britton (C) .....108.....108

## ARCADA TOWNSHIP.

Supervisor—Fred Bradford (U) .....110.....81  
Geo. H. Kuhlman (R) .....29.....29  
Clerk—Benjamin F. Cline (U) .....104.....71  
Allen Hubbell (R) .....33.....33  
Treasurer—H. B. Currence (U) .....97.....54  
E. M. Struble (R) .....43.....43  
Justice of the Peace (full term)—William Crozier (U) .....88.....40  
Zeurn Meruir (R) .....48.....48  
Justice of the Peace (vacancy)—James R. Wilson (U) .....95.....52  
Melvin Sharrar (R) .....43.....43  
Highway Commissioner—Ely Wolfe (U) .....92.....44  
C. C. Curtis (R) .....48.....48  
Overseer of Highways—Richard W. Anderson (U) .....84.....30  
Walter Clark (R) .....54.....54  
Board of Review—Ozum Kovrty (U) .....92.....47  
Adney Dobson (R) .....45.....45  
Constables—Jesse Fink (U) .....89.....40  
Er. Newcomer (R) .....49.....49  
Richard Thrush (U) .....90.....43  
Henry Dagmar (R) .....47.....47  
Constable—Grove Peck (U) .....89.....41  
Fred Durkee (R) .....48.....48

## PINE RIVER TOWNSHIP

Pine River polled 178 votes, 33 straight Republican and 40 straight "People's." For constable, William Michael and Elmer Post each secured 86 votes and upon a draw of matches the office was given to Mr. Post. The vote of the township was as follows:

Supervisor—Charles E. Vandemark (R) .....64.....64  
John H. Lashaw (P) .....111.....47  
Clerk—Leo H. Wood (R) .....104.....34  
Andrew Noffsinger (P) .....70.....70  
Treasurer—Ira C. Moody (R) .....72.....72  
E. A. Bauer (P) .....102.....30  
Highway Commissioner—Bert T. Hamilton (R) .....90.....3  
Calvin P. Best (P) .....87.....87  
Highway Overseer—Clarence A. Russ (R) .....86.....86  
Edward O'Bryant (P) .....89.....3  
Justice (4 years)—Cage Wood (R) .....80.....80  
L. W. Roycraft (P) .....95.....15  
Justice (3 years)—Cass Curtis (R) .....93.....13  
Bert Packer (P) .....80.....80  
Justice (2 years)—Wm. Gallagher (R) .....87.....87  
Wm. C. Sullivan (P) .....88.....1  
Board of Review—Herschel J. White (R) .....89.....4  
John Pitt (P) .....85.....85  
Constable—Wm. Foglesong (R) .....92.....11  
Fred Lentz (P) .....81.....81  
Constable—Frank Frear (R) .....89.....7  
Jeremiah Myers (P) .....82.....82  
Constable—Wm. Michaels (R) .....86.....86  
Elmer N. Post (P) .....86.....86  
Constable—Leslie Miller (R) .....91.....19  
Fred Burt (P) .....77.....77

## FOR EASTER OPENING

### Economy Shoe Store and Slater's Haberdashery Invite You To Be Present

Messrs. Chick of the Economy Shoe Store and Slater of the Gents' Furnishing Store first door west, have joined forces in an Easter display for Friday and Saturday of this week.

The stores are to be tastefully trimmed for the occasion while music will be furnished during the two days. Beautiful and appropriate souvenirs have been secured for all who visit them during the two days. If you want to see an excellent display of Gents' furnishings together with one of the finest lines of footwear, you will not miss the opportunity of attending this opening.

## JOHN T. SWIGART DEAD

### His Death a Shock to Citizens of Gratiot County

## FIFTY-EIGHT YEARS IN GRATIOT

### Justice of the Peace and Member Board County Superintendents of Poor

John T. Swigart was born in Bloom township, Seneca county, Ohio, July 5, 1845, and died in Alma Tuesday morning, April 6, 1914.

The announcement Tuesday that Mr. Swigart had passed to the great unknown during the early hours of the morning was a shock to every business man on the street, where for years the deceased had been actively engaged in the various duties imposed upon him as administrator, guardian and justice of the peace.

Mr. Swigart was a man in whom the public had implicit confidence. His word was as good as a bond. This confidence was so marked that at the time of his death he was the administrator of many estates throughout the county and guardian of the estate of many minor children.

Mr. Swigart came to Gratiot county in 1856 and with his parents located in Fuller township, where he afterwards purchased a farm of 100 acres, which he owned at the time of his death.

In October, 1863, the deceased enlisted in the Union Army, joining Company L, First Michigan Engineers, serving until the close of the war.

December 25, 1876 Mr. Swigart was united in marriage to Miss Ella A. Crowley to which union three children were born—Miss Edna M., residing at home; Raymond, principal of the Mt. Pleasant High School, and Miss Emma M., who is taking post-graduate work at the University of Michigan.

April 3, 1901 Mrs. Swigart died and in the following fall Mr. Swigart and children moved to Alma which place has since been their home. At the time of his demise he was the senior member of the firm of Swigart, Bonnell and Sullivan with offices in the Opera House block. While in Fulton township Mr. Swigart held many offices of public trust, such as justice, highway commissioner, township clerk, etc. In 1882 and again in 1884 he was elected county clerk and in 1892 was a candidate for state senator.

In the fall of 1908 Mr. Swigart was appointed one of the county superintendents of the poor and in April, 1911 was elected justice of the peace to succeed John D. Spinney. By his death the above offices are now vacant.

A man of genial disposition, strict integrity, and a pleasant word for all, he will be greatly missed from the streets of this city, where for so many years he has made his home. Funeral services in charge of the members of the Masonic order will be conducted at the house this (Thursday) morning.

## GLEE CLUB RETURNED

### Monday From Concert Tour—Thirteen Concerts

## ALWAYS PLEASE IN STANTON

## One Thousand People Heard Them in Traverse City

The Alma College Glee Club returned Monday from a very successful concert tour. Wherever the boys appeared they were greeted with good houses and gave splendid satisfaction. In Traverse City the audience passed the thousand mark and the people were very enthusiastic in their praise of the Glee Club. The following, taken from the Stanton Clipper, proves their popularity with the citizens of the Montcalm county seat:

"The concert given by the Alma College Glee Club last Friday evening was a great treat to our music lovers, for the program was well selected and extremely well rendered. It is a pity that so many were obliged to miss it on account of political and other meetings that evening. There are good voices in the club and they are well trained, and in the lighter numbers, the songs from "The Pirates of Penzance" and little take-off on modern grand opera, the young men showed considerable dramatic ability as well.

The vocal solos by Professor Veatch and Mr. Fannell deserve special mention, as well as do the violin solos by Mr. Davis and the readings in dialect by Mr. Beyer. The club seems even stronger than last season and the young men composing it may be sure that Stanton is always glad to see and hear them, either on the stage or in our homes."

## METHODIST CHURCH.

First Methodist Episcopal Church, Rev. Thomas G. R. Brownlow, Minister. Parsonage, 724 State St. Union phone No. 43.

Sunday, 10 A. M.—Special Easter sermon by the pastor.

11:30 A. M.—Bible School. Special Easter program by the Sunday School. 6:30—Epworth League—"The Joy of Easter." Leader, Miss Bernice Sweet. 7:30 P. M.—The first of a series of Sunday evening lectures by the pastor. These lectures will deal with present-day topics and will be of special interest to thinking young people. Topic of the lecture for Sunday evening—"Young People and Their Associates."

You are invited to come and bring your friends. There will be special music by the choir.

Our aim is to help everybody and hinder nobody.

## SUNDAY MUSIC.

### MORNING.

Anthem—As It Began to Dawn—Vincent Choir.

Solo—Hosanna .....Grainier  
T. A. Fannell.

### EVENING.

Quartet—Joy of His Awakening—(Buck).

Messrs. Wright, Bergy, Holmes, Stinchcomb.

## POPULAR PHARMACIST

### Purchases the L. Mitchell Drug Stock

### TOOK POSSESSION LAST WEEK

### Howard City Record Recommends Mr. and Mrs. Brunner to Alma Citizens

The Howard City Record of April 2 had the following to say of W. A. Brunner who last week purchased the drug stock of L. Mitchell:

"W. Alex Brunner, for 14 years in the employ of Sid V. Bullock as registered pharmacist, on Saturday closed a deal whereby he becomes owner of the Mitchell Drug Co. store at Alma.

Mr. Brunner went to Alma Tuesday morning to take possession.

"The Mitchell business is one of the oldest and best established in Alma and Mr. Brunner takes hold admirably equipped. He is an efficient pharmacist, a pleasing and agreeable salesman and has also had ample experience as a buyer. His store is next to the Wright House, Alma's leading hotel, and is a desirable stand.

Mr. Brunner is a popular Howard City young man, was born near Stratford, Ontario, attended the local schools and graduated from the pharmacy department of the Ferris Institute. He served as village treasurer a few years ago and has been active in the social life of the town. He is a Mason, an Elk, a Pythian and a member of the O. E. S.

In September 1912 he married Miss Cleo Crimmins, of Morley. Alma should welcome Mr. and Mrs. Brunner cordially as they have hosts of warm friends in Howard City who wish them well.

Over 50 of the personal and business friends of Mr. Brunner assembled at the K. of P. hall Monday evening for a smoker and card party in his honor. The entertainment was under the direction of a committee composed of Blaine Henkel, S. J. Arner, H. W. Mitchell, A. T. Booth and F. M. May. After a delightful get together session, refreshments were served. High tribute as to the regard in which Mr. Brunner is held in Howard City was paid by M. W. Baker, S. V. Bullock, Dr. J. O. Nelson, Warren Lisk, H. Mencke and Dr. N. W. Miller in brief talks. In behalf of the company assembled J. B. Haskins in a few words presented Mr. Brunner with an elegant Royal Morris chair upholstered in genuine leather, as an evidence of the esteem of his friends. Mr. Brunner responded in appropriate vein and the gathering dispersed after singing "Auld Lang Syne."

## 1914-1915 SUPERVISORS

### Twelve Republicans, Twelve Democrats and One Progressive On the Board

Arcadia ..... Fred Bradford ..... D  
Elba ..... H. C. Rose ..... R  
Emerson ..... Ernest Mustcott ..... R  
Bethany ..... Frank Peach ..... D  
Fulton ..... Frank Himes ..... D  
Hamilton ..... A. A. Russell ..... D  
Ithaca ..... C. J. Chambers ..... R  
Lafayette ..... Jacob Smith ..... R  
Newark ..... Sam A. Daniel ..... R  
New Haven ..... C. D. Wilds ..... R  
North Shade ..... Richard Brice ..... R  
North Star ..... J. N. Williams ..... D  
Pine River ..... John Lashaw ..... D  
Seville ..... Chas. Going ..... D  
Sumner ..... Ellis Potter ..... R  
Washington ..... Henry English ..... R  
Wheeler ..... Newell Bradford ..... R

## ST. LOUIS

1st Ward ..... John Haines ..... R  
2nd Ward ..... Fred Newton ..... R  
3rd Ward ..... A. F. Wright ..... D  
4th Ward ..... Geo. Houseman ..... D

## ALMA

1st Ward ..... John Parrish ..... R  
2nd Ward ..... Isaac Russell ..... D  
3rd Ward ..... John Sullivan ..... D  
4th Ward ..... Jacob D. Helman ..... D

## AUCTION SALE.

Saturday, April 18, Bert Eckert will offer for sale the famous Alma Russell, 2:30, with other high-bred horses and carts, saddles, harness, etc. The sale will take place at his residence on South Gratiot Ave., or at Schick's Feed Barn, in case of storm.

Dr. T. C. Blaisdell was the guest of honor and gave an informal talk last Thursday evening at a reception held in the Woodward Avenue Presbyterian church by the Alma College Alumni Association of Detroit.

## AUCTION SALE.

Saturday afternoon J. D. Helman, as auctioneer, will sell a good horse, buggy, harness, cutter, etc., belonging to Dr. E. A. Bagley. The sale will take place at 1:30 p. m. on the Wright House corner. F. A. Leonard will also offer some household goods for sale at the same time.

Candy Easter Eggs at S. L. Bennett's

## WILL DEBATE IN ALMA

### At College Chapel This Week Friday Evening

## OLIVET, NEG.; ALMA, AFFIRM.

### Question, "Resolved, That the U. S. Should Own and Operate Its Own Railroads"

Friday evening a picked team from Olivet, chosen from her best debaters will contest with the best team Alma college has to offer. The question chosen for discussion was submitted by Olivet to the Alma-Hope-Olivet Debating League last fall and was chosen by the League. Thus Olivet has some advantage in the choice of question, especially since it is understood that their men have been studying the question for a year past. However, our men have been working industriously with our limited facilities, and expect to give Olivet a good hard battle.

The men who will represent Alma are Milo Hogan, Floyd Ferguson, Allen French and Theodore Gates. Interest in contests involving a test of mental powers rather than of physical strength, of brain rather than of brawn, is certainly increasing in our college in a very encouraging way. We are coming to realize more and more the value of such training as a preparation for the competition of later life. In spite of the little inducement offered and the strenuous efforts needed to make the necessary preparation to meet a team from a college like Hope, where debate and oratory are more popular even than football, nevertheless, our college men are getting interested and show that they are willing to make the sacrifice needed to bring success. It is up to every student to help boost in this line of work as much as possible, as well as in athletics and be a loyal supporter of these sturdy champions of Alma's laurels in scholarship.

The size of the audience next Friday evening will help to determine the enthusiasm upon which the success or failure of our team will largely depend. Loyal, enthusiastic support will produce confidence; confidence on the part of the debaters will win the judges. In no kind of contest is this more true than in debate. So all citizens of Alma and especially all former students and patrons of the college are cordially invited to attend this debate.

The question is stated as follows: "Resolved, that the U. S. should own and operate its own railroads." Alma will take the affirmative.

The same day at Hope college Alma's negative team will battle against the above proposition. This team consists of Eph Johnson, Hyde, Cole and Cresser.

—W.