

MARRIED SATURDAY

By Rev. Mason at Home of the Bride

THEY WILL LIVE IN LANSING

Bessie Leo Holmes Is Now Mrs. Ernest Charles Fowler

The home of John Williard Holmes on Pine St. was the scene of a pretty informal wedding last Saturday, when his daughter, Bessie Leo, was united in marriage to Mr. Ernest Charles Fowler of Hanover, Mich.

The ceremony was performed by Rev. Wm. H. Mason at twelve o'clock, noon, in the presence of only the immediate relatives. The bride was charming in a simple gown of white and carried bride's roses. She was accompanied by Mrs. A. Raymond Cleland of St. Johns. Mr. Cleland acted as groomsmen. White roses and ferns were used in the house as decorations.

Immediately following the ceremony a wedding dinner was served and the couple left on the afternoon train for Detroit and other points, later going to Lansing where they will make their home.

Mrs. Fowler has lived in Alma most of the time since childhood and has always been recognized as a young lady of exceptional character and was unusually popular.

Mr. Fowler is employed by the Red Wing Flour Co. as traveling salesman. Their hosts of friends extend congratulations and best wishes to them.

FOUR ALMA MEN AT CHARLEVOIX.

Harry Craig, an Alma college graduate, who was recently promoted from principal of the Charlevoix high school to superintendent of the schools of that city was in Alma two weeks ago and closed contracts with Walter Vogt, better known as "Stub" and Archie Maybee to assist him on the teaching force of the Charlevoix schools for the coming year. Mr. Vogt will teach the sciences and Mr. Maybee mathematics. Both of these men will graduate from the college in June and with William Ewing, who is at present teaching history there and next year takes the position of principal, will make Alma college well represented in the northern Michigan city.

TO LECTURE ON BIRDS

At the High School, Monday Evening—Illustrated

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

Mrs. Lanchashire pays all expenses connected with Mr. Baynes' lecture before the Woman's Club, but that the public may also have the pleasure of hearing Mr. Baynes, the lecture will be given in the High School Auditorium Monday evening, April 20, at 7:30. Admission, 15 cents. Public school children, 10 cents.

"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, Charlevoix, Walpole and Franklin, New Hampshire; Montpelier, Vermont; Springfield, Milton, Brookline, Southborough, Grotton, 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."

ELECTED CHAIRMAN.

At the meeting of the Board of Supervisors held Tuesday, Supervisor Fred Bradford of Arcadia township was elected chairman of the Board for the ensuing year, receiving 12 out of the 23 votes cast. Clifton J. Chambers received the remaining eleven votes.

Miss Marie Fanning of Ann Arbor was the guest of Miss Judge Monday and Tuesday.

MISS MUNGER HURT.

Sunday afternoon Miss Julia Munger, Miss Lois Fraker and her group of Camp Fire Girls visited the sugar bush at Wm. Knudson's farm. The girls rode part of the way on their return and in jumping from the wagon to walk in from near the Parr farm, Miss Munger fell in such a manner that the ligaments of the left knee were torn loose. A passing automobile took her to the home of Miss Jennie Smith, where she lives, and a physician was called. Her mother, Mrs. Munger of Hart, arrived Sunday evening and is caring for her. Mr. Vogt of the college is supplying Miss Munger's place in the school while she is incapacitated.

CHICK-SLATER OPENING.

More than 500 people visited the stores of the Economy Shoe Store and Slater's Haberdashery last Saturday. The occasion was their first annual spring opening. The storerooms were beautifully decorated and carnations used as souvenirs. The first annual opening of these popular business houses proved a great success.

GRATIOT CO. K. O. T. M. M.

Delegates from the several K. O. T. M. M. tents throughout the county met in Alma Tuesday and selected Newton Burns as delegate and J. R. Miller of Elwell alternate to the meeting of the Great Camp to be held in Bay City in June next.

COLLEGE GLEE CLUB

At Alma Realty Opera House Tomorrow Evening

BIG CROWD AT TRAVERSE CITY

Cadillac Enthusiast Over Entertainment Given There

Tomorrow, Friday evening, April 17, our citizens will have the opportunity of hearing the 1914 College Glee Club. The boys have just returned from a tour of northern Michigan cities where they were greeted with large and enthusiastic audiences. Over 1000 persons crowded the opera house at Traverse City to enjoy the program. In speaking of this entertainment in Cadillac the News and Express of that city said:

"There are women who aren't curious," sang the Alma College Glee club tunelessly, "but they're dead."

"Aside from this unkind slam at femininity which was greeted by laughs by all the men in the audience, the concert given at the Presbyterian church last evening was a great success. The balcony of the large church auditorium was almost filled, while the main floor contained a goodly number of Cadillac people. The college yells, songs, readings and musical selections offered by the club were, without a single exception, greatly enjoyed. There are a number of fine voices in the club and they showed to excellent advantage in the variety of selections given.

Mr. Fannell, whose magnificent voice has already won recognition sang "I'll Sing Thee Songs of Araby," "The Last Greeting," and "Far From the Summer Blossoms," was enthusiastically applauded. Mr. Veatch sang the "Prolongue" (Pagliacci) and "Ship Mates of Mine" so beautifully that it was necessary to respond to an encore. Mr. Radey of this city appeared in part one on the program and sang the "Toreador's Love Song" wonderfully well and was encored.

Bit of course the feature work of the evening was done by the 16 college youths who were all done up in "billed shirts." They reminded the free born citizen of so many brave knights imprisoned in 16 strong castles, all waiting for someone to come along and rescue them.

Don't think for a moment that the college rah rah boys' ardour was dampened by their nifty dress. From the opening college yell, brilliantly executed by President Paul Austin and his 15 assistants, to the amusing act of "Grand Opera" which closed the program, the Alma young men just bubbled over with enthusiasm, which perhaps more properly could be called the "Alma spirit." Every member was brimful of this feeling and the clever manner in which the whole affair was staged well indicates the effort and work which the director and men have put into the preliminary training.

Part one consisted of several ensemble numbers by the club with the three songs, referred to elsewhere, by Mr. Fannell. The opening chorus, "Carmena" seemed to be just the number to start the proceedings with. Then came the amusing number "With Catlike Tread" (Pirates of Penzance), in which the college boys were at their best.

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ALMA COLLEGE GLEE CLUB



At Alma Realty Opera House, Friday Evening, April 17.

LADIES OF K. O. T. M. M.

Meet in Annual Meeting At Ithaca April Fourteenth

The County Convention No. 3 of the Ladies of the Modern Maccabees was held at Ithaca, April 14. There was an attendance of over seventy. The following ladies were elected as delegates to the Great Hive Review to be held at Bay City in June: Emma J. Alexander of St. Louis, Maggie Goodyear of Pleasant Valley, Olive Lathrop of Elwell, with Carrie Williams, Riverdale, Rozella Boree, Ithaca, and Alice Medler of Alma as alternates. The election of County officers were as follows:

- County Commander—Mary A. Clow, Alma.
- County Past Commander—Maggie Townsend, Sumner.
- County Lieutenant Commander—Kate Sullivan, Forest Hill.
- County Record Keeper—Mary J. Parling, North Star.
- County Finance Keeper—Rozella Boree, Ithaca.
- County Chaplain—Carrie Williams, Riverdale.
- County Mistress-at-Arms—Maggie Moody, Forest Hill.
- County Sergeant—Emma J. Alexander, St. Louis.
- County Sentinel—Emma J. Duncan, Ashley.
- County Picket—Gessie Beemer, Bannister.

The next County Convention will be held at St. Louis, Francis Hive 222, Sumner gave a fancy drill, which was splendidly given.

Reading—Esther Mead, St. Louis. Encore—Esther Mead, St. Louis. Recitation—Jim "alias" Burgie, Ithaca. Recitation—Mary Clow, Alma.

The ladies all voted Ithaca Hive royal entertainers and altogether this was one of the best conventions held in the county.

ST. JOHN'S PARISH.

The annual meeting of St. John's parish was held Monday evening, the rector presiding. The condition of the parish was regarded as very satisfactory. The good feeling prevailing among all the parishioners was seen in the slow but steady growth of the church's work. The rector is just completing his fourth year of labor. The treasurer's report showed all debts paid and a balance. Two new vestrymen, Mr. Bert Hicks, and Mr. Lawrence Montigel, were elected. Mr. J. M. Montigel and Mr. F. W. Hooper were elected as vestrymen to succeed themselves.

ALMA-OLIVET DEBATE

Alma Won Affirmative and Lost Negative

Alma wins affirmative and loses negative in triangular debate Friday evening. The team composed of A. French, T. Gates and M. Hogan upheld the affirmative against W. W. Berry, Scarth Inglis and H. B. Thompson of Olivet, debating the question that "The United States Should Own and Operate its Railroads." The team battling for the negative was M. Cole, C. C. Hyde and C. Creaser, who lost to Hope at Hope College. Olivet won over Hope at Olivet. Thus each team won the affirmative at home. The debate in Alma was full of enthusiasm and interest, the Olivet team declared that Alma was the best loser or winner that they ever met on the debating platform. Each man was allowed twelve minutes and five minutes in rebuttal. The rebuttals were full of strong and convincing proofs and each team is worthy of considerable praise in recognition of their efforts in preparation and their poise on the platform. Considering the fact that Alma has no inter-society debates, the showing was remarkable against such men as Olivet put forward in any competitive contest.

REPUBLIC TRUCK IS VICTOR IN CONTEST.

Word has just been received by the Alma Motor Truck Company of a novel buying contest held in Pittsburg, Pa. in which the Republic Truck, manufactured by the Alma Motor Truck Co. won the award.

This contest, originated by a number of Pittsburg business men, was based on the "points of merit" system and considered motor trucks of \$2000 sale price. One hundred points credit was given to each of these groups; motor, drive, frame and general assembly and utility.

In the motor group the motor, carburetor, ignition and radiator were considered. In the drive group the clutch, transmission and method of drive. In the frame group, the wheels, frame, springs, steering gear, tires and rims.

THE "REPUBLIC"



Manufactured in Alma by the Alma Motor Truck Co.

General assembly and the utility of the finished complete product brought the total number of credits up to 400 points.

The Republic won on its specifications, which are standard, being the product of well known manufacturers. But one other truck tied the Republic and as that truck was above \$2,000 the palm was awarded to the Republic, which has a list price of \$1350.

DRAMA, OLD VIRGINIA

At Realty Opera House, Thursday Evening, April 23

An exceptionally able local cast will present the four act southern comedy drama, "Old Virginia" at the Realty Opera House Thursday evening, April 23. The play is presented under the auspices of the K. of P. Lodge. It will be staged under the direction of E. O. Brownell of Grand Rapids who successfully produced "Golden Gulch" here two years ago. Several specialties will be introduced between the acts among them being songs by Charlie Button, Minnie Cook and Dewitt Vought. A Dutch comedy sketch by Shultz and Byers.

- The cast is as follows:
- Imogene Courtleigh, Willful and Wealthy
 - Mildred Kress, A gypsy wail
 - Minnie Cook, Nance Tyson, Her supposed mother
 - Ruth Kelly, Pride Freeheart, A poor relation
 - Margaret Allen, Horace Verner, An artist
 - Rudolph Byers, Dick Potts, His chum
 - Charles Button, Ira Courtleigh, Imogene's guardian
 - Archie Maybee, Buck Tyson, A gypsy tinker
 - Ray Tomlin, Elmer Van Sittert, An anglo maniac
 - Guy Campbell, Major Duffy, County Clerk
 - Dewitt Vought, Squire Ripley, A Virginia landlord
 - J. D. Helman, Lige, A gentleman of color
 - Wm. Griffin

BIRTHDAY DINNER.

Mrs. Albert Reynolds entertained at a six o'clock dinner last Thursday evening in honor of her father, W. L. Amshury, who celebrated his birthday anniversary that day. Charles Plowman and Clarence Fancett, two of the guests, also claimed the day as their anniversary. The evening hours following the dinner were pleasantly spent at cards.

Miss Axie Langdon returned Tuesday from an Easter visit in Weidman.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Last Monday evening at 7:30 o'clock the Presbytery of Saginaw convened in the church and was opened with a splendid sermon by Rev. T. S. Anderson, pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Bay City. The sermon was followed by the administration of The Lord's Supper, which was greatly enjoyed by all. Rev. William Sidebotham of Munger was unanimously chosen moderator of the Presbytery. The two happiest occasions of the meeting were, perhaps, the devotional exercises Tuesday morning which were held in connection with the regular college chapel and the splendid dinner which was served by the ladies of the church in the church dining room. The commissioners of Presbytery were entertained in the homes of the Presbyterial families and all went home expressing themselves as very highly pleased with the hospitality which had been extended them.

At the hour of morning worship next Sunday the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be administered and new members will be received into the church.

GO TO ARIZONA.

V. H. Shephard and family left Wednesday evening for the southwest and will locate near Phoenix, Arizona, temporarily. Mr. Shephard's many friends hope the change of climate will be the means of restoring his former good health.

KITCHEN-BATEMAN

Miss Lena Kitchen and John Bateman

MARRIED IN BEDFORD, PENN.

Last Week Tuesday Evening—To Live Near Alma

Friday, April 3, John R. Bateman, south of Alma went to Ashley on a business trip. He did not return however, until the following Thursday and then was accompanied by a lady whom he introduced as Mrs. Bateman.

After transacting his business in Ashley, Mr. Bateman went to Bedford, Pa., where, last week Thursday evening he was married to Miss Lena Kitchen.

The ceremony was performed by Rev. G. W. Faus, pastor of the Methodist church and brother-in-law of the bride in the presence of twenty guests. Miss Florence Faus, niece of the bride acted as flower girl and Lohengrin's Wedding March was played by Miss Shuck, the church organist. The paragon was prettily decorated with palms, ferns, pink and white carnations.

Wednesday morning following the ceremony, the couple left for this city and are now located at the Heartsease farm, four and one-half miles south and west of Alma. Mr. and Mrs. Bateman were both formerly of Rockyford, Colo., though for the past several months Mrs. Bateman has been visiting her sister in Pennsylvania and will be welcomed to Alma and vicinity.

POT LUCK DINNER.

The W. R. C. thimble club will meet at G. A. R. hall Tuesday, April 21. All day meeting with Pot Luck dinner.

REPUBLICAN POSTMASTER GIVES WAY TO DEMOCRATIC SUCCESSOR

Similar Event Has Not Occurred in Alma For Sixteen Years—V. P. Cash Took Possession Monday, April 13

Last Monday C. F. Brown, who for more than 16 years has served the citizens of Alma as postmaster, turned the keys of the office over to V. P. Cash, who by virtue of his appointment by President Woodrow Wilson and the later confirmation by the United States Senate, becomes Mr. Brown's successor.

Mr. Brown received his first appointment from William McKinley January 6, 1898, February 7, 1902, Theodore Roosevelt, then president, re-appointed him for another four years; February 22, 1906 President Roosevelt continued Mr. Brown's tenure of office four years more. Following the example of his predecessor William H. Taft, on March 10, 1910, gave Mr. Brown the commission that expired last month. During the four administrations, or from January 6, 1908 to April 13, 1914, Mr. Brown served as postmaster 16 years, three months and seven days.

During Mr. Brown's administration the office has grown from that found in the ordinary village to one of the best second class offices in Michigan. The retiring postmaster has witnessed the inauguration of rural free delivery, the installation of the city delivery system,

CHANGE OWNERSHIP

J. A. Bartley Buys Delavan Property On Superior St.

OCCUPIED BY P. T. BANGHART

Also Purchases the Banghart Market—Takes Immediate Possession

J. A. Bartley, who came to Alma some time since from Lafayette township and purchased the Mrs. Wolfe property on Grant Avenue, has purchased the 26-foot frontage on East Superior Street, of the Misses Delavan, now occupied by P. T. Banghart as a meat market. Mr. Bartley also purchased the meat business and fixtures of Mr. Banghart and will conduct the business on a cash basis. Mr. Bartley's plans call for a two-story modern building to be erected on the land purchased, the building to be erected during the present summer months. Mr. Bartley has retained the services of Mr. Banghart who will be pleased to meet all his old customers and as many others as desire the best the market affords at cash prices. Mr. Bartley's advertisement appears in this issue of the Record.

TO PATRONS OF RIVERSIDE CEMETERY.

This communication by your Board is addressed to admirers and patrons of our beautiful cemetery. We take pride in directing your attention to the fact that the citizens of Alma and vicinity have one of the most beautiful cemeteries in the state. While we are none of us anxious to make it our permanent home, we do like to make it beautiful and to keep it clean and tidy. At this season of the year,—clean up time,—with Memorial Day only a short time off, we wish to call your attention to the finances of the institution. In order to keep the cemetery beautiful, not only must the drives and gardens be kept up, but each individual lot,—the private property of individuals,—must be attended to—and the private grounds are kept up by assessment of \$1.00 for each lot. This is only a small sum, but if all pay this assessment, all the lots will be kept well watered and mowed and the whole cemetery will present a fine appearance.

The growth of the grounds makes it necessary to employ three men nearly the whole season. This takes money. We know you want this work done as the visit of hundreds of you each week testify. If so, we must have your assessment promptly. The assessment is due

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FOR COUNTY CLERK.

To the Republican Electors of Gratiot county: Because of the urgent request of many friends in different parts of the county and to gratify my own ambition, I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of Clerk of Gratiot county to be chosen at the Primary Election held August 25th, 1914.

I also take the opportunity at this time of thanking the Republican voters for their liberal support to me two years ago. I solicit your support in the coming campaign.

Respectfully yours, FRED C. PERNERT.

EZRA SMITH RESIGNS

Deputy Postmastership, to Enter Services of Alma Motor Truck Company

Ezra Smith, who July 1st, 1909 assumed the duties of deputy postmaster, has tendered his resignation to postmaster, V. P. Cash and will, as soon as the new postmaster becomes familiar with his work, enter the employ of the Alma Motor Truck Co.

The Motor Truck Co. are fortunate in securing the services of Mr. Smith who is recognized as a salesman of exceptional ability. Mr. Smith was for seventeen years with the International Harvester Co. and when they heard that Mr. Smith was to leave the government employ immediately notified him that a lucrative position was open and his services wanted by his old employers. Ezra preferred remaining in Alma, a fact which will please his many friends.

FREE POULTRY LECTURE.

Prof. J. O. Linton of the Agricultural College will lecture on poultry at the City Hall, Alma, April 22, 1914. No charges for admission. You are invited.