

### The Alma Record.

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#### Profitable Co-operation.

The meeting which the business men of Alma held, last Tuesday evening, has a far greater significance than appears at first blush. Many similar meetings have been held in the past and a certain amount of good has come out of them, but never before have fifty business men of Alma gotten together and after a discussion come to so complete an understanding of each other and each other's views. Such a splendid move must not go for naught. The spirit which prompted the calling of this meeting and which resulted in the definite action taken must be fostered as only a spirit can.

However, the matters which were not openly discussed but which are being considered by many individual members must not be taken up too hurriedly. Should projects which would injure local industries be undertaken without due consideration of the good work of the Tuesday's meeting will have been to no great purpose. If conditions can be bettered the business men are the ones most capable of bettering them. But in their zeal to carry on the good work the interests of the retail men must not be unduly sacrificed, though every man who shared in the responsibilities assumed, last Tuesday night, must expect to make some personal sacrifices if it will help to make for better business conditions in Alma.

The matter of contributing to a general fund which shall be used to meet the small daily demands are made on our merchants for the support of multitudinous organizations, enterprises and charities should receive immediate consideration. It is a fine move. It would save hours of time and inconvenience on the part of the merchants and tend to encourage worthy enterprises and discourage unworthy. The time of the small village way of doing business has long ago passed for Alma. The time for co-operation and the systematizing of enterprises has arrived.

Certain proposals were made with the view of securing a good sum for advertising on a large scale. If this scheme is undertaken the game must be played to the limit. One dollar a year or ten cents a week won't purchase much in the line of advertising. It is simply a matter of investment and the larger the amount of the fee which the merchants levy upon themselves the larger will be the returns. It isn't any penny-in-the-slot game. An intelligent progressive committee which will be put in charge of the expenditure of this money can make it effect big results.

#### Excellent Track Prospects.

Alma College has the best track prospects that the Presbyterian institution has ever had and this spring should see the locals win the Intercollegiate championship in track for the third successive season, a trick which no former Alma team has ever been able to turn. On the face of it it might seem that Alma would have an exceptionally bad season as the men who won fifteen of the thirty-four points won last June at Albion will not be on hand to compete for Alma this year. These men are Harry Schultz, who won the low hurdles; Cook, who won first in the mile and second in the half and Mark Spinney, who tied for first place in the pole vault. However, there is a wealth of new material.

Veterans who can be depended upon to capture points at the Intercollegiate meet at Albion in June are Captain Chisholm in the one hundred, two-hundred and four-hundred yard dashes, McAllister in the half, mile and two mile runs; Wood in the discus throw; Harry and Milton Jackson in the high and broad jumps, (the former who holds the Intercollegiate record in the former event). The new men upon whom so much depends and who have shown so much promise even at this early date are Fletcher Gallagher of Bay City, who was the best half and one mile in the state high school track team last spring; Jerry Marks, of Oscoda, state interscholastic champion broad jumper; Gordon French of Colman, a shot putter, who is already heaving the sixteen pound shot farther than any Alma man has ever thrown it; Merrill Hyde in the javelin throw; Paul McKee in the long runs; Harvey Sayles in the middle distance runs, and Gardner Schultz of Middleton, who did so well in the local Gratiot County Interscholastic last June in the sprints, jumps and hurdle races.

From all this wealth of material enough good men can undoubtedly be picked who will bring home to Alma once more the highest honors of the meet. Last June Kalamazoo apparently won the meet until it was found out that one of her men had won the first place in the javelin throw by an illegal throw and these points were later thrown out. It is hoped that more care will be taken in the choice of officials this spring. Cut out the following schedule and paste it somewhere for ready reference.

- May 1.—Ferris Institute at Big Rapids.
- May 8.—Mt. Pleasant, Olivet and Alma at Alma.
- May 17.—M. A. C., Olivet and Alma at East Lansing.
- May 29.—Ypsilanti Normals at Ypsilanti.
- June 4 and 5.—Intercollegiate meet

### CHURCH NEWS AND NOTES

#### First Presbyterian Church

William H. Mason will preach both morning and evening morning worship 10 a.m. evening worship 7:30 p.m. Y. P. S. C. E. 6:30 p.m. All young people welcome.

There will be a public reception of new members at the morning service.

The Session of the church will meet at the church at 9 a.m. Sunday to confer with any who wish to unite with the church.

The annual congregational meeting will be held at the church Thursday April 15 at 7:30 p.m.

William H. Mason, Pastor, Pine Street Church of Christ

The great revival meeting now going on every night is well attended and a number have already accepted Christ.

Evangelist White, believing as he does that the bible is the only book to re-unite the religious and save the world preaches it that way. Hear him if you possibly can. Meetings will be held every evening this week. Week meetings at 7:30 p.m., Lordsday meetings at 10 a.m. and 7 p.m., we will endeavor to make you feel at home in these meetings.

W. P. Murray, Pastor

Baptist Church

J. W. Priest, Pastor

Residence, 802 Gratiot Ave

Sunday morning service 10 o'clock

Sermon: "If any man will do his will he shall know"

Sunday School 11:30

B. Y. P. U. meeting 6:30

Topic—Getting ready for the next life

Leader: Paul Crandel

Evening Service: 7:30

Sermon: A Faithful Servant

Thursday Night Prayer Meeting 7:30

All are cordially invited to these services

#### METHODIST NOTES

First Methodist, Episcopal church; Rev. Thomas G. R. Brownlow, minister

Parsonage, 724 State St., Union phone No. 43

Sunday 10 a.m. Preaching topic "Things Fundamental"

11:30 Bible School

3 p.m. Junior Epworth League

6:30 Epworth League

7:30 Preaching topic "Cutting the Anchors"

Prayer meeting every Thursday night at 7:30 p.m. followed by the Probationers class.

There will be a reception of new members at both the morning and evening services Sunday.

Parents are invited to come and bring their children.

The chorus will furnish special music Sunday.

#### ST. JOHN'S CHURCH

Sunday—Morning prayer and sermon, 10:00.

Sunday school—11:30.

Vesper Service—5:00.

The rite of Holy Baptism will be administered at the morning service.

Tuesday, Litany and bible class—7:30.

#### High School Team Practicing.

The first outside practice for the High School Baseball candidates, was held Wednesday afternoon.

About eighteen were out in suits among which were five "A" men, Coach Litchman and Capt. Perry expect to develop a winning team this year as they have a lot of good material to work with. The boys will practice every afternoon from now on to get in trim for the first game of the season with Bay City on April 24th.

#### A Sluggish Liver Needs Attention.

Let your liver get torpid and you are in for a spell of misery. Everybody gets an attack now and then. Thousands of people keep their livers active and healthy by using Dr. King's New Life Pills. Fine for the Stomach, too. Stop the Dizziness, Constipation, Biliousness and Indigestion. Clear the blood. Only 25c at your druggist. Adv.—Apr.

#### STORE AND HOUSE FOR SALE

Store best location in town. House only three blocks away business not over done. Here is an opportunity to get a good business location and home on easy terms.

A. Dickerson Bannister

1882-24 Mich.

#### Curious But True.

Love is a game in which we win when holding the smallest hands.

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D. L. Johnson

Notary Public for Gratiot County Mich. My commission expires Aug 1915.

### Wanted and For Sale

Advertisements under this head will be charged five cents per line for each issue

GASOLINE ENGINES—Two, for sale cheap. Inquire at Luchini's Fruit Store, Alma. 1871tf

June Cloverseed for sale. Very clean, home grown seed. Inquire at Bartley's Market. 1876 tf

\$1,150 buys a house and 1-2 acre ground with plenty of fruit, short distance to factories; act quickly if you want a bargain. 122 Grover Ave., Bell Tel. 360. 1876tf

For Sale—I wish to notify farmers that if they want to dispose of their potatoes I will handle a few cars right away at 25c per bushel. Call me on either phone. Nelson Smith. 188211

Wanted right away, salesman to take agency for established tea and coffee route. Alma, St. Louis and surrounding country. Write Grand Union Tea Co., 516 Genesee Ave., Saginaw, E. S. Mich. 1880-4w.

For Sale—Registered Scotch collie pups. Inquire Leo Gee, Sumner. 188212

For Sale—Maxwell touring car; 26 H. P., five passenger and in fine condition; equipped with new Bosch magneto, new springs, and nearly new tires. Inquire at Record office. 188211

FOR SALE OR TRADE — Country store, general stock, doing good business; splendid farming community; only store in town 5 miles to next near store. A snap for someone soon. For particulars address, X. Y. Z., care Records. 18802

#### FOR SALE—PLANTS

10,000 Black Raspberries.

5,000 Cuthbert Raspberries.

80,000 Warfield and Dunlap Strawberries.

These plants are first class and have been inspected and approved by the State Inspector.

CARL STREET, Wheeler, Mich. 187814

#### Cattle and Farm Lands

1,000 acres good, heavy, rich land for stock raising or farming. Burned over, easy cleared; had clover on last year 16 inches high. Well watered, gently rolling; 6 miles to railway, \$10 per acre. 2,400 acres light, sandy soil, river running through it close to railway, grew 20 bushels rye to a measured acre last year, \$5. 880 acres black muck, clay bottom, unimproved swamp land, \$10 per acre. 440 acres, crumbly clay land, will not sun bake. Easily cleared, burned over; \$15 per acre. Two 80-acre farms, unimproved, cut-over hardwood land, close to new railway, \$15 per acre; other lands. WM. L. LaCHAPELLE, Alpena, Mich. 188014

#### ANNOUNCEMENT

For the convenience of those wanting meat delivered, I have entered the Union delivery. No raise in the price of meats will be made on this account, but a charge of three cents will be made for each delivery, except when purchase amounts to \$1.00 or over, in which case delivery is free.

18821w J. A. BARTLEY.

#### ALL OUT OF SORTS

Has Any Alma Person Never Felt That Way?

Feel all out of sorts?

Tired; Blue, Irritable, Nervous?

Back feel lame and achy?

Perhaps it's the story of disordered kidneys—

Bad blood circulating about;

Uric acid poisoning the body.

There's a way to feel right again.

Stimulate the sluggish kidneys;

Do it with Doan's Kidney Pills.

Doan's are recommended by many Alma people.

Here's one case.

Mrs. Josephine Vannormar, 416 W. Mechanic St., Alma, says: "For years I suffered from rheumatic pains in my back and limbs. I was nervous and dizzy, didn't sleep well and in the morning felt all tired out. The kidney secretions bothered me. Doan's Kidney Pills greatly relieved these ailments. I hadn't used them long before the dizzy and nervous spells left, together with the rheumatic pains. Doan's Kidney Pills can be depended on to give good results."

Price 50c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mrs. Vannormar had. Foster-Milburn Co., Props., Buffalo, N. Y.

#### Subject for Congratulation.

Maybe a man is lucky if his wife takes an interest in politics instead of reading best sellers and feeling hurt because he can't act like one of the heroes.

#### Rheumatism Yields Quickly to Sloan's

You can't prevent an attack of Rheumatism from coming on, but you can stop it almost immediately.

Sloan's Liniment gently applied to the sore joint or muscle penetrates in a few minutes to the inflamed spot that causes the pain. It soothes the hot, tender, swollen feeling, and in a very short time brings a relief that is almost unbelievable until you experience it. Get a bottle of Sloan's Liniment for 25c, at any Druggist and have it in the house—against Colds, Sore and Swollen Joints. Your money back if not satisfied, but it does give almost instant relief.—Adv. Apr.

## The Dutch Kitchenet

It Will Please You



This is one of the many exclusive lines to be carried in our re-modeled store

# G. V. WRIGHT

FURNITURE DEALER  
FUNERAL DIRECTOR

ALMA The Best City Of Its Size MICH.

# Spring Clearance Piano Sale

## Pianos And Player Pianos

Our Spring Orders are placed with the several factories we represent and we must make room for the goods soon to arrive, therefore we offer some **Special Bargains** in shopworn, slightly used pianos.

One Especially Fine Player Piano Slightly Used at a Big Reduction.

One Beautiful Conway Slightly Used for Demonstration Splendid Bargain.

One Hallet & Davis, Our Highest Grade at a Big Bargain, Just Returned from Studio at Big Rapids.

Piano Cased Organs--Three--And Several Cottage Organs Big Bargains as We Must Have the Room.

These are all at our Alma store, if you are unable to go handily, write or phone for our Auto--Service Free--We will come and get you and take you home again. Satisfaction guaranteed, we never consider a sale completed until the purchaser is satisfied in every way. Our years of dealing with the people of Central Michigan prove this.

## C. A. SAWKINS PIANO CO.

Alma

Central Michigan's Largest  
Piano Merchants

St. Louis