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ALMA, MICHIGAN THURSDAY AFTERNOON, MARCH 2, 1916

WHOLE NUMBER

FATHER AND SON DINE TOGETHER

Y. M. C. A. Banquet Last Friday Was Brilliant Success.

OVER 300 IN ATTENDANCE

Campfire Girls and Teachers Wait on Father and Son Banquet.

The man who was not in attendance at the "Father and Son" banquet missed one of the few profitable meetings he has the pleasure of attending in a lifetime.

Preparations had been under way for months to make it a successful affair and everyone in attendance voiced with one accord the praise of the banquet and program committees.

During last week the town was canvassed by committees of business men selling tickets which admitted a "father and son." No man was allowed to take his own son, and unmarried men of marriageable age were assigned a "son," so practically every male inhabitant of the city between the ages of thirteen and fifty were present.

Probably the most worried of the two was the "son." The natural boyish inquisitiveness, of wondering what kind of a man would take him raised havoc with lessons for several days previous to the banquet.

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At seven forty-five supper was announced and two by two, man on the left and boy on the right, the long row entered the gymnasium and filled the long rows of tables laid to receive the guests.

The Rev. J. W. Priest in a few appropriate words pronounced the invocation and the banqueters settled to enjoy the menu, which was served by the Miner restaurant and was up to their usual high standard of excellence.

Following the final course President Crooks of Alma College took the floor and succeeded in raising his voice above the din of knives and forks, to perform the duties of toastmaster.

In his jovial but earnest way Mr. Crooks first introduced our own Mr. Chas. G. Rhodes, secretary of the Alma school board.

The high school Glee club next rendered an excellent selection, "Natures Lullaby," after which Pres. Crooks after recalling all the "mean" things he knew about, introduced his brother-in-law, who was no less than the Rev. Paul B. Hickok of Washington, D. C.

BUTTER TEST

Jas. Gargett of Sumner township who is fast developing into a Holstein breeder, reports a record test for 14 days as follows:

Segis Mercedes Pieterzes Korndyke No. 215,760, 3 years and 25 days old for 7 days, 449.1 pounds of milk and 18,095 pounds of butter.

This record places the last heifer among the very select three year olds, there being but a few to equal or exceed her record in this state.

MOTHER AND LITTLE GIRL SEEK SHELTER FROM COLD

The pitiful sight of a ragged half-demented mother and thin child, bright eyed little girl, greeted Mrs. Edward McLain at her home, three miles south of town, when she returned from church a week ago last Sunday morning.

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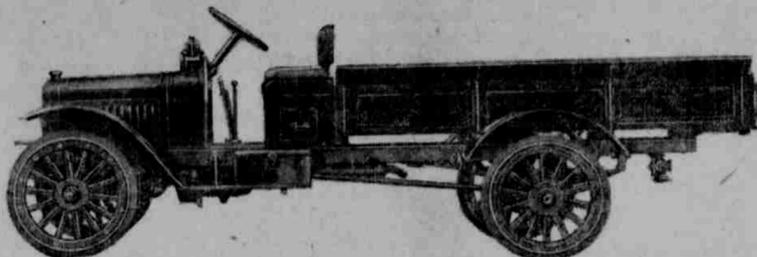
RELEASED FROM \$9,000 JUDGMENT IN U. S. COURT

Through the efforts of James G. Kress, attorney for John M. Montigel, in the case of United States vs. John Martin Montigel and Charles S. Naldrett, together with the assistance of friends, the large judgment in said cause has been released as against Mr. Montigel, and the levies heretofore made by the United States against the real estate of Mr. Montigel, have all been discharged.

This has been a long drawn out litigation and both Mr. Kress and Mr. Montigel are to be congratulated upon the splendid settlement effected in the case.

I will sell at public auction on my farm, one mile west, three and one-half miles south of Alma, Saturday, March 29, at 1 o'clock, a quantity of farm property.

WHERE OUR CITY STANDS IN THE MOTOR WORLD



In calling our readers attention to the automobile section being published with this week's issue of The Record one cannot help as they read the news and advertisements of the large number of high-grade cars being offered to the public, but realize that our own city stands among the very first in the manufacturing of the great automobile industry.

While no space is devoted to the auto section to the merits of the Republic Trucks made in this city, the great plant located at the edge of town stands as the best advertisement to the community and traveling public, of the merits and excellent qualities of these famous motor trucks.

Two years ago the first "Republic Truck" was made in this city with the intention of giving to the public the very best that could be bought in motor truck service.

SPRING DRESS-UP IS COMING NEXT

Fashion Makers Say, "We Need Not Wait for Easter."

DATES, MARCH 27 TO APRIL 8

National Movement, When Everyone Will Aid Nature to Rush Spring Season

Christmas is a thing of the past, most of us have recovered from the effects of New Year's eve, Ground Hog and St. Valentine are laid on the shelf for next year, our worthy President's birthdays have been given due celebration and the nation as a whole is looking forward to the next topic of interest and discussion.

With the late advent of Easter the annual spring-dress would be held up, were it not for the alert Dame Fashion who has set aside the dates of March 27 to April 8, as the season for all to lay aside the cumbersome winter clothing and don the light, free-and-easy apparel of spring.

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THE TRAIL OF THE LONESOME PINE

The greatest of the season's productions, "The Trail of the Lonesome Pine" with Beth Merrill as June, comes to the Wright opera house, Friday, March 10.

The production has a beautiful scenic mounting and it met with capacity greetings in long runs in Boston, New York and Chicago.

ANOTHER MUSICAL TREAT FOR THE PEOPLE OF ALMA

Former College Tenor Will Return for a Concert in this City.

The music lovers of Alma will be much pleased to learn that Mr. T. A. Fannell, tenor, who taught in the college two years ago will return for a concert on next Tuesday evening.

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ARCADA FARMER CLUB BANQUET

Annual Meeting Was Held on Thursday of Last Week.

ABOUT 150 IN ATTENDANCE

Fine Musical and Literary Program Was Exceptionally Well Rendered.

It has been a custom for some years with the Arcada Farmer's club to hold one meeting each year at Alma usually as the guests of some of the Alma members, last Thursday was the appointed day and the hostesses were Madames Weese, Baker, Crandell and Priest.

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ZETA SIGMA HOLD THEIR ANNUAL STAG BANQUET

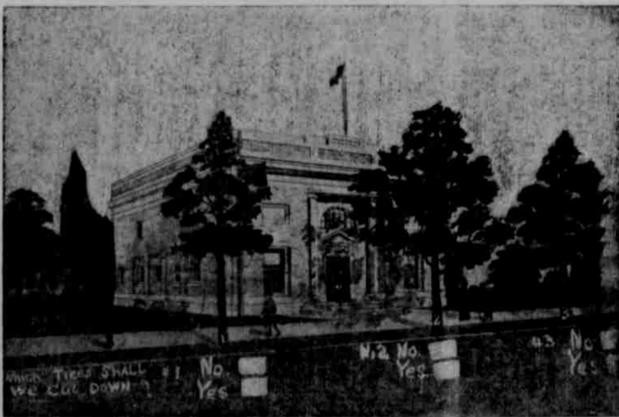
One of the big events of the year for Zeta Sigma, the annual Washington's birthday stag banquet, was held Saturday evening at the Wright House.

The large and beautiful Zeta Sigma banner, presented to the society by the men of '16, was on display for the first time at a social function, aided greatly in enlivening the appearance of the room.

Medler's orchestra furnished the music and were given rousing applause. The festivities began as the music struck up and the company marched in to their places.

After the toasts and the singing of the Zeta Sigma song the affair broke up, leaving pleasant memories of "Good Fellowship."

WHICH TREE SHALL BE CUT DOWN?



The officers of the First State Bank have been offered many suggestions regarding the propriety of leaving the trees in front of their new bank building on Superior street.

Some of our people say: "Cut them all down." Trees are out of place on our main business street. They hide the building and in the autumn fill

the gutters with leaves. Others say that these trees have been protected for years and they are ornaments to our streets and to the building with its surrounding lawn.

On account of the interest in this matter which has been shown by many of our public spirited citizens,

and the fact that these trees may be considered by some as public property, the bank authorities state that ballots have been prepared similar to the cut above and it is desired that every person in this city and surrounding country shall call at the bank and register their vote regarding these trees during the next few months.

TENTH ANNUAL MEETING OF ALMA BOARD OF TRADE

Many New Members Enrolled and Directors are Elected for Ensuing Year.

The tenth annual meeting of the Alma Board of Trade was held at the City Hall on Tuesday night. A good attendance of business men were present and a very enthusiastic and interesting meeting was held.

After the meeting adjourned the new board of directors met and organized as follows:

President—C. F. Brown. Vice President—C. G. Rhodes. Secretary—D. L. Johnson. Treasurer—C. H. Washburn.

President Brown will announce the several committees later. The Board of Trade have had a busy year and have accomplished much for Alma, and the prospects for next year are far better.

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