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ALL CHURCHES TO AID THE "Y"

Gratiot Religious Bodies to Join in Supporting Work of Association.

TO ASSIST THE YOUNG MEN

Special Speakers Will Be Present at Services in Every Place in the County.

"Y" Sunday, October 26th in all of the churches in the county. Every one interested in boys' work should attend these services. Sixty men will present the programs in the different churches of the county, talking on "The Need of Boys' Work," and the "Y. M. C. A. Program." This will be a big day in the county. It is also Rally day in the Sunday schools.

The following is a list of speakers who will appear at the various churches:

Alma
Presbyterian church—Roy LeValley, county sec'y Ionia city.
Baptist church—O. L. Smith, Ithaca.

Methodist church—F. L. Convis, Ithaca.
Church of Christ—Tom Harrod, Ithaca.

Episcopal church—Dr. Drake, Breckenridge.

Breckenridge
Methodist church—Deputation team from M. A. C. with Mr. Rand, Clinton county sec'y.

Congregational church—F. A. Wood, Sanilac county secretary; J. A. Gerhardt, Alma; Mr. Grottenburg.

Baptist church—Howard Hanley, Alma college; Floyd Kruger, Alma college; Ezra Deveraux, Alma College.

Ithaca
Methodist church—Ralph Chisholm, Breckenridge; Rev. G. A. Osborne, Breckenridge; Carl McGee, Lapeer county secretary.

Presbyterian church—Deputation team from M. A. C. with L. T. Chapman.

Baptist church—Roger Zinn, Alma; Mr. Merrill, Alma.

St. Louis
Methodist church—Carl H. Washburn, Alma; Mr. Davis, Alma; J. M. Hopkins Breckenridge.

Christian church—E. T. May, Saginaw; Roscoe Ely, Alma; Melvin Vander, Alma college.

Presbyterian church—Mr. S. Nesbitt, Ithaca; Rev. Roberts, Ithaca; Clair Perigo, Alma college.

Baptist church—Rev. Rowlinson, Breckenridge; O. G. Colthorp, Breckenridge; Wesley Muscott, Breckenridge.

Riverdale
Methodist church—11:30 after Sunday school—Mr. Kelder, Supt. of schools, Alma; Wm. McFadden, Alma; George Olmstead, Alma college; Lester Allen, Alma college.

Middleton
Union Service—7:30, p. m. Christian church—F. L. Convis, Ithaca; O. L. Smith, Ithaca.

Perrinton
M. E. Sunday School—Mr. Otto, Alma college; Mr. Millard, Alma college.

Pompeii
7:30 Evening—Rev. Dewey Ithaca; Tom Harrod, Ithaca.

Ashley
Sickles, 10:00—Gordon Nelson, Ashley; Lewis Crowell, Pompeii; M. Davies, Alma college.

Sowers, 11:30—Same team that spoke at Sickles.

Ashley, 7:30—Union service—Same team that spoke at Sickles and Sowers.

Bannister
Methodist—Don Smith, Alma; Ralph Dean, Alma; Mr. Kemp, Alma college.

Elwell
Methodist—Mr. Becker, Breckenridge; Seth Sexton, Breckenridge.

Rathbone
Methodist—Ezra Deveraux, Alma college; Howard Hanley, Alma college; Floyd Kruger, Alma college.

Wheeler
Methodist—Dr. Skinner, Ithaca.

A short financial campaign is planned for next Monday. The county committee needs \$3500 to carry on the work of the association for the coming year. This amount includes the county's share to the "Y" college, the state and International committees for supervisory work in the county.

COMMISSIONERS ELECTED
Gratiot Board of Supervisors Elected Alma Man as One of the Three.

Saturday the Gratiot county board of supervisors elected the road commissioners, three in number, as provided under the county road system, and Alma was honored by having one of her citizens selected by the board as one of the three men to be elected.

The Gratiot road commissioners elected were George Kuhlman of Alma, James P. Gibbs of Ithaca and Frank Hines of Fulton township.

Tuesday the commissioners went to Lansing to receive instruction regarding their work and to get information regarding the road laws.

Best candies—DeLuxe—77-fc

ATHLETIC FUND

Campaign for Funds at College Has Been Started.

The drive for a \$5,000 athletic fund at Alma college for better equipment, more suitable for the needs of the institution, was started Monday in the chapel service which was turned over to the students. At this time speeches were made by a number of the students of the college each of whom took up at least one phase of the needs of the college in athletics.

It was announced just before the close of the service that the students would be asked to make pledges to the fund on Wednesday morning and at that time nearly \$500 was pledged. It was stated late yesterday that there were still more than seventy students to be solicited.

The pledges so far made at the college are exclusive of faculty members who will make their pledges to the fund later, and it is now believed that when the total number of pledges from the students have been turned in that the fund will be about \$650.00.

After the college has been thoroughly solicited, the drive for the athletic fund will be carried into the city and also among the Alumni of the institution, and there is not a doubt in the minds of the backers of the campaign, but what the goal, which has been set will be reached.

Best ice cream—DeLuxe—77-fc

GREAT POLITICAL CAMPAIGN NOW ON

Managers of Blue and White Tickets Have Wonderful Visions of Success.

One of the hottest political battles that has been waged in many a moon around these 'are diggin's is now on in full blast, between J. W. Blakely, Blue presidential candidate, and Alex W. Brunner, candidate for vice president, on the one side and Ezra L. Smith, White presidential candidate, and Dr. Graham, candidate for vice president on the other, each slate being highly desirous of conducting the affairs of the Gratiot club this coming year.

As a result of the great excitement which this political battle is causing and probably will continue to cause until the election on November 13, the services of an expert political writer have been secured to cover the ground carefully and point out the merits of the respective candidates and other matters pertaining to the campaign offices of the Blue and the Whites brought out some highly interesting data regarding the candidates. J. M. Peterson, who is directing the campaign for J. W. Blakely and Alex Brunner made the following statement regarding their fitness for the office, "Mr. Blakely has been vitally interested in the club since its inception, and was one of the main springs that has been making the whole works move. Mr. Blakely is broad, and the fact that Mr. Brunner is straight and narrow will make them a strong team to head the club. As it has been stated that everything that has been men tough turns to gold, we will have no fear of the future financial condition of the club, when we elect them. The long experience of the men in various affairs in Alma will also aid them in conducting the club affairs in good shape. I predict that they will be elected with a handsome majority."

Herb Scharlach was only seen with difficulty at the campaign offices of the Whites, because of the trouble that was experienced in shoving and elbowing our way through the ward heelers who crowd such offices. When asked what the chances of Smith and Graham appeared to be at the election he was positive in his remarks.

"Win. Of course they'll win. Not a chance to lose. This man Smith who heads our ticket is a real guy; an eminently good fellow, who appreciates good stories, good cigars, and is vitally interested in the Republic and in politics in general. He has always been a prominent character. As for Graham, where can you beat him for a live one? And always a corking good word for anyone and everyone. Why we have chosen men of distinctive types and they cannot be defeated."

Thus the election result is made plain by the campaign managers, and relying on tips received from one or the other some highly interesting bets and wagers have been made. The first bet in which the long green figured was 2,500 to 500. "Bill" Minis, that real sport, who managed the "Desk Swipes" this past summer has wagered a Buick 4 against a suit of clothes against Smith and Graham. Tomer has wagered with Fay that if Blakely loses he will roll a small sized peanut from Brunner's store to Davis' cigar store, along the edge of the street curb. Peterson is so certain that his candidates will be elected that he has agreed to haul Mr. Quinn in his wheelbarrow from the club to Brunner's and back again, with said Peterson wearing a Palm Beach suit, straw hat and tennis shoes. Understanding that red is a mourning color in some countries, Mr. Rhodes has promised Mr. Smith that if he is defeated that for seven long days he will wear a brilliantly shaded necktie of red. The seven days is to include one Sunday. Dun Ham, expert political writer.

CIRCUIT COURT CALENDAR OUT

Big List of Cases for October Term Which Opens This Coming Monday.

FOURTEEN CRIMINAL CASES

Balance of Those Listed Are Law or Chancery Legal Battles and Divorces.

The Circuit Court calendar for the October term, which commences on Monday, October 27, contains a list of seventy-nine cases, fourteen of which are criminal cases. Forty-nine are law cases, four are chancery and twelve are chancery divorce cases.

The following are the criminal cases:

People vs. Alma Spencer, larceny.

People vs. Edgar Ferris, poisoning cattle.

People vs. Ollie Worden, appeal.

People vs. L. D. Edgar Arris, violating probation.

People vs. Edward W. Wilson, violating probation.

People vs. Roy C. Hoff, violating probation.

People vs. Dan Welch, larceny.

People vs. Bernard White, bastardy.

People vs. Charles Moon, larceny.

People vs. Ivan Glazier, assault with intent to commit murder.

People vs. Mary Barlett, bigamy.

People vs. Mary Barlett and Jesse Carpenter, lewd and lascivious cohabitation.

People vs. Ollie Worden, resisting an officer.

Law cases follow:

John Jacques vs. John Murphy, trespass.

James Mills vs. P. M. Railroad company, trespass.

William Walker vs. J. B. Whiton, attachment.

The Motor Securities Company vs. Republic Motor Truck Company.

Charles Sawvel vs. Dannie Brown, appeal.

Parry Mfg. Co. vs. Judson Cox, appeal.

James H. Updegraff vs. Frank Bacon et al., trespass.

Lyman Maples vs. Ray J. Rogers, assault.

Levi M. Marriott vs. Township of Elba, trespass.

Lewis Mfg. Co. vs. Frank W. Ruger, trespass.

Burt Stull vs. James Redman, trespass.

North Star Township vs. Douglas Ackles, appeal.

George N. Lanphere vs. Abigail Ackles, trespass.

Sylvester Brazee vs. Farmers Mutual Fire Insurance Co.

Harold B. Moore vs. Ross Miller, et al., appeal.

John W. Sifton vs. Western Car-buretor company.

Burt Nelson vs. Charles Fisher, appeal.

Louis Schultheiss vs. George Clark, et al., trespass.

Morley Bros. vs. Channing Parsons et al., trespass.

The Republic Motor Truck Company vs. Buda Motor Company.

Alfred Ek vs. Horace B. Angell, attachment.

Voight Milling Company vs. George L. Jessup, trespass.

Newell Smith vs. Gratiot Foundry Company, appeal.

Horace Esselstyn, et al. vs. William E. Wilcox, appeal.

In the matter of the estate of Lewis B. Wolford.

In the matter of the estate of Alvin E. Brown.

Fred W. Hooper vs. Marcus Pollasky.

Clinton Nelson vs. Marcus Pollasky.

National Cash Register Company vs. Sawkins Piano Company.

Iowa City State Bank vs. Fred A. Slater.

John W. Myers vs. Charles E. Byers, appeal.

Studebaker Corporation vs. Don Hayes and L. C. Mills.

Theodore Martin and Mary Martin vs. Frank W. Ruggles, et al.

International Mill and Timber Company vs. Kensington Heights Home Co. et al.

Chancery cases (divorce)
George W. Baughman vs. Pearl R. Baughman.

J. C. Langdon vs. Lulu Langdon.

Abbie M. Lewis vs. Arthur W. Lewis.

Minnie Welch vs. Alice E. Wyant.

Effie L. Miller vs. Wellington I. Miller.

Glady's Leona Pinckley vs. Maurice D. Pinckley.

Veima E. Ball vs. Byron E. Ball.

Esther E. Abbott vs. Silvers B. Abbott.

Mary Reed vs. Benjamin Reed.

Erma Vance vs. Asa Vance.

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ROLLER MILLS TO OPEN AGAIN

Have Been Rented by the Owners to Abram Tucker, a Successful Miller.

OPENS ABOUT NOVEMBER 1

With Mills Again in Operation Alma May Again Become Center for Farmers.

The Alma Roller Mills will be opened again within the next ten days and the City of Alma promises to again assume its former standing as one of the leading market centers of this section of the state.

It was announced Tuesday by Mr. L. A. Sharp that the roller mills had been rented to Mr. Abram K. Tucker, an experienced and successful miller and elevator operator of Concord, Michigan, who will take possession of the property on Saturday, November 1.

Mr. Tucker lost his mill in Concord by fire during the summer and since that time has been casting about for a suitable property, and after having gone over a number of mills, he became convinced that the local roller mills offered the best proposition that could be located in Michigan, and overtures started to secure the property.

It is understood that in renting the property Mr. Tucker has secured an option for the purchase of the property at any time before July 1, 1920, and it is regarded as more than probable that before that time he will organize a company to take over the mill and mill property, which is understood to be worth far more than the purchase price in the option.

Mr. Tucker will be in Alma very shortly and will get the mill into shape for business, which will be started just as soon as possible. It is expected that announcement will be made in next week's issue of The Record.

ENTERTAINS TEACHERS

W. C. T. U. Received the Teachers of Alma Schools Saturday.

On Saturday afternoon Mrs. P. M. Smith opened her home to Frances Willard Union for a reception to the teachers of the city. The program was unusually good, the first number being a solo and encore by Prof. Hosmer, with Miss Roberts at the piano. Miss Struble and Miss Huff played a very pleasing duet and Mrs. J. McKenzie gave a vocal solo and very graciously responded to an encore.

Supt. Kelder made some very encouraging remarks in regard to the work done by the W. C. T. U. in the past, and foretold of mighty uplift work to come. He said in part: "All reform movements have been set in motion by men and women with a vision, seeing great benefits for future generations in the working out of such reforms. The successful forward movements of their various departments have proved a great blessing to community and national life."

He spoke of co-operation of the public school with the W. C. T. U. in their mutual work of clean character building of the child, and a more righteous community life.

Mrs. C. L. Wood spoke of the Jubilee Drive, the forward movement of the national W. C. T. U. It was in one million dollars and securing an augmented for the purpose of raising one million new members. Michigan's quota of the one million dollars is seventy-two thousand. Alma Union is organized for this work and expects to raise her quota of two hundred and fifty dollars by March, 1920. This money is to be used to help extend the work of World Prohibition, Law Enforcement, Americanization, Child Welfare, Anti-Narcotics, etc. She spoke of the rapid progress being made in different countries toward world prohibition.

The greatest opportunity for constructive service is before us. While splendid things through this organization have been accomplished in the past by molding public sentiment, scientific temperance instruction in our public schools, and along many other lines, we are looking forward to greater things in the future, for moral, social and political betterment throughout the countries of the world.

After the program a buffet lunch was served, Mrs. E. C. Crandell and Mrs. C. L. Wood presiding at the prettily appointed table.

Altogether it was a very pleasant and profitable afternoon.

ASSESSED VALUATION

Figures for the assessed valuations for Gratiot county show an increase of between nineteen and nineteen and one-half million dollars, the entire valuation put by the state board being \$54,237,695.

The raise in the assessed valuation in Alma is over one hundred per cent, the new assessed valuation for the city being \$13,044,845. The valuation by wards follows:

Real Estate	Personal	Total
1 \$3,348,900	\$4,692,630	\$8,041,530
2 2,471,450	302,935	2,774,385
3 696,650	248,710	945,360
4 953,600	335,570	1,289,170

Be a real American, join the Red Cross.

GOOD POSITION

Major Greene Has Been Appointed to Attorney General's Office.

Maj. James A. Greene, former judge advocate of the 85th division, is the new assistant attorney general appointed by Alex J. Groesbeck to act as counsel for the state food and drug department in the prosecution of violations of the prohibition laws and the pure food code. Maj. Greene succeeds the late Lee H. Pryor.

The new assistant attorney general has had considerable experience along the line of his new duties. He formerly was prosecuting attorney of Livingston county and served three years in the state's legal department when Grant Fellows was attorney general. Attorney Greene resigned from the attorney general's office and came to Alma a few years ago, forming a partnership with William A. Bahke. Shortly afterwards he was appointed city attorney by Major Ira H. McKinney, and the partnership between the two attorneys was dissolved. When the war broke out, and the training school was opened at Fort Sheridan, Attorney Greene attended the officers' training school and was given a commission there as a first lieutenant. He was assigned to Camp Custer and promoted to major and judge advocate of the division. Later Major Greene went to France with the 85th division and only recently returned to this country.

SEEKING PLEDGES FOR MEMORIAL TO TEDDY

Roosevelt Memorial Campaign is Being Waged Throughout County this Week.

This is Roosevelt Memorial week. A county organization was effected last Friday afternoon at two p. m. The meeting was called to order by Alf. F. Crawford who was elected permanent chairman and treasurer, J. N. McCull was elected secretary.

Mr. Crawford presented the purposes of the organization which briefly stated are to erect at Washington a suitable monument for this great American. Of course all subscriptions are voluntary but methods of organization somewhat similar to those employed in the liberty loan, Red Cross and other drives are being employed.

This organization began its work Monday last. It is proposed to complete the drive by next Sunday night. The subject was presented at some of the churches last Sunday night and will this week be presented in all the schools of the county. Next Sunday will be the final clean-up day for the drive. The appointment for Gratiot county will be \$1700. This would be only about 5c a piece for every citizen. Many will give many times that amount. Every one should be glad to contribute something even if it is only a few cents. It is not so much the size of the contribution, but the number who give which determines the honor to be paid to one of the greatest men our country has ever produced. It is hoped that every vice president, every teacher and preachers in the county is pushing this drive with energy. Gratiot owes it to her self to go over the top this week.

Here is a list of the vice presidents:

Ithaca, William Roberts; Alma, J. W. Blakely, Homer Hunham; St. Louis, A. S. McIntyre; North Shade, D. G. Locke; Fulton, Roy Dodge; Washington, B. C. Hall; Elba, Henry Rose; Hamilton, L. G. Hull; North Star, Vern Eyer, Henry Kennett; Newark, Evert Mulholland; New Haven, Chas. Heisler; Sunner, B. I. Gee; Arcada, B. F. McNall; Emerson, Ernest Muscott; Lafayette, Jesse Pettit; Wheeler, N. W. Bradford; Breckenridge, Chas. Merrill; Bethany, Frank Peach, J. C. Robinson; Churches of county, Howard Potter.

Pledges in Alma for the Roosevelt Memorial fund may be made at either of the Alma banks or at the drug stores up to Monday evening, October 27.

AUTOMOBILES STOLEN

Two automobiles have been stolen here within the past few days one of which was later located in a ditch near Pompeii, where it had burned up, and the other was located in a ditch near Stanton last night about three hours after it had been taken.

The first, a Briscoe automobile, was taken Tuesday night from the Schick feed barn, where it had been left. The thieves started south with it and near Pompeii went into a ditch and the car caught fire and burned up.

Early last evening a Ford belonging to the D. W. Robinson stores was stolen from in front of the Superior street store and less than three hours later advice was received that it had been found in a ditch two miles west of Stanton. Officers are still seeking the men who made off with it.

TURN BACK CLOCK

One hour past midnight, Saturday night is the time that all clocks in the country will be set back one hour, at which time the daylight-saving law ceases to be operative, and goes into the discard.

Circulation counts—we have it.

BOY KILLED LAST NIGHT

Homer Fadden of this City was Run Over by a Pere Marquette Train.

LAD MET DEATH INSTANTLY

Eight Year Old Boy is Said to Have Crawled Under Freight Train.

Homer Fadden, the eight year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Fadden, residing at the corner of State and Center streets, was instantly killed early last evening when run over by a train, on the Pere Marquette railroad, near the Alma plant of the Michigan Sugar company.

The young lad, in company with another of about the same age, was peddling bills in that part of the city, and were evidently making a short-cut by way of