

MT. PLEASANT SLAUGHTERED BY ALMAITES

MAROON AND CREAM TEAM
JUMPS ON NORMALS FOR
EASY WIN IN LAST FRAY.

Teachers Never Get Into Lead

Revenge is sweet and it has probably never been as sweet to the Maroon and Cream as that which came Alma's way Friday night when the Presbyterians jumped all over the highly touted Mt. Pleasant Normal aggregation for a 41 to 25 victory on the Teachers floor and then added insult to injury by also copping off the reserve game 18 to 10.

Early in the year before the Alma clan was thoroughly organized and going in good shape the Normal defeated the local aggregation on the local floor 20 to 12, and had every expectation of winning by a big score on the home floor. It was one of the most confident aggregations that Alma has opposed this season. Verily pride goeth before a fall.

Not once during the entire game did the Mt. Pleasant aggregation look like a winner, Alma taking the lead at the start and holding it throughout the entire game. The longer the game progressed the greater became the rout of the opposition. Messrs. Brooks and LeCronier going to pieces in the final few minutes of the fray, the latter even starting to battle in a way not allowed by the rules to such an extent that Coach Parker of Mt. Pleasant, a clean-cut coach and a good sport, ejected LeCronier from the fray, in which he was no longer of much benefit to his team. At the end of the first half Alma was leading 18 to 12 and in the second half just continued to pile up the counters on the hapless Normalite aggregation of basket losers, which was bewildered by the whirlwind attack of the Maroon and Cream. In the second half Alma piled up a far larger margin than in the first half. The Maroon and Cream margin in the first session was 6 points, and in the final half 10.

Francis and Calkins were the shining lights for the Teachers, these two lads playing their usual consistent game. In the second half, however, Calkins could not elude the fine Alma guarding, and falling to secure a field basket he was yanked for Warner. The Carson City lad, however, could not penetrate the Alma defense, leaving Francis as the only man able to score a field basket in the second half, aside from one lucky blob shot that Brooks nailed.

The entire Alma aggregation was going great, every man being in the game every second. The guarding during the entire contest was superb, and much credit for this work must be laid at the door of Crittenden and "Cuddy" Shaver. Johnston and Carty were the high scorers from the field, the former getting seven field baskets and the latter five. They were greatly assisted in their efforts by Kirker and Hickerson, the former also managing to break into the basket scoring column as did Shaver in the final half.

Alma may well be proud of the aggregation which wound up the season in such a brilliant fashion, defeating a team that has been acknowledged all year as one of the finest teams in the state. Starting the year with almost an entire new lineup the job of building a team to face veteran aggregations has been no small one, and the success that came to the efforts of Coach Campbell and his men are clearly shown from the clean-cut defeat that was handed Mt. Pleasant. During the game fourteen fouls were called on the Normalists and thirteen on the local outfit, which shows how fiercely the two teams were battling.

Alma Mt. Pleasant
Kirker rf Francis
Carty lf Calkins
Johnston c Brooks
Shaver rg Cameron
Crittenden lg Shelton

Substitutions—Alma: Hickerson for Kirker; Mt. Pleasant: LeCronier for Cameron, McCracken for LeCronier, Warner for Calkins.

Field baskets—Johnston 7, Carty 5, Kirker 2, Shaver, Francis 4, Calkins 2, Brooks 2.

Fouls—Kirker 6 out of 10, Carty 3 out of 4, Brooks 7 out of 13.

Score first half—Alma 18, Mt. Pleasant 12.

Referee—Roper, M. A. C.
In the preliminary game, the college reserves defeated the Normal reserves 18 to 10. Part of Campbell's reserve team did not show up in time for the fray and as a result he was forced to use his substitutes in the first fray, but this did not weaken the Maroon and Cream for the big game of the night. The low score in this fray is accounted for from the fact that only 12 minute halves were played.

CARD OF THANKS
We wish to thank the kind friends for their sympathy and flowers, the minister for his words of comfort, the singers for their beautiful songs and St. Lodge No. 188 P. & A. M. for their services, and all who assisted in any way in our late bereavement, the death of our Father and Brother, Selden Caldwell.

C. R. Brower and family, G. O. Brooks and family, Mrs. Wm. Stewart.

Eight Men To The Tournament

Alma High's basket ball team will compete this week in the Central Michigan basket ball tournament at Mt. Pleasant Normal, the local outfit being in class B.

Some of the strongest high school teams in this section of the state are in class B, which is for high schools with less than 500 students, and it is expected that this class will bring out more real competition than will class A in which Flint and Bay City will battle for the honors. Manistee, a team which won the Class A tournament at the Normal last year is entered in Class B this year with the same team that she had last year and probably will be a favorite for the honors. Mt. Pleasant and Alma are expected to be the two teams that will force Manistee to the limit to hold her place, if she retains it.

The first two teams in Class B will later go to the state tournament a week later and contest there for the state championship. The local aggregation has a high hope of being able to place among the first two teams and for the first time since the establishment of the district tournaments, prove strong enough to get to the state finals.

The men who go to Mt. Pleasant with the local outfit are Elias, Sartor, Anderson, Veeder, Atkinson, Lamb, Patterson and Wyant.

Saginaw Triangles To Play in Alma

The Alma College basket ball team which brought its regular season to a close last Friday evening by thumping the Mt. Pleasant Normal, one of the state's best aggregations, by a score of 41 to 25, will meet the Saginaw Triangles Friday evening on the High School floor in a benefit game for the Alma College Athletic Association.

The Triangles form one of the most formidable semi-professional teams in the Saginaw valley, a team that has beaten everything in the valley that has had nerve enough to card them, and which has also won from some of Detroit's classy organizations, including the Square Deal Millers.

That the fray will be a real contest is not doubted and the fans who are desirous of getting another look at the team which humbled the crack Normal aggregation will have a good opportunity Friday evening to express their appreciation to the green team, which developed during the year into one of Michigan's best.

Saginaw Club Will Train in St. Louis

The Saginaw Aces of the Michigan-Ontario league will do their spring training in St. Louis this year, and with the Saginaw club arranging some training camp games it will be possible for the people of Gratiot county to see the Aces in action without leaving the county, and will assure them of seeing what will probably be the very best brand of ball that the county will see this year, as there is little expectation that any of the towns and cities of Gratiot will attempt to foster a real fast diamond aggregation this year.

The Aces are due to arrive in St. Louis about April 5, and will have about thirty men in the training camp at the start of the training season. Some of these men will probably be released with a short time, but a greater part of them will probably be kept there during the entire training season.

WRIGHT SCHOOL

Miss Pauline Isham of Middleton is the new teacher at the Wright school, Miss Packer being too ill to finish the term.

Mr. and Mrs. George Fink entertained Mr. and Mrs. McIntosh and family and the Misses Rosa Stern and Esther Brown of Alma.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rockafellow and little son, James, of Alma spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Rockafellow.

Mrs. Lottie Adams has returned to her home from Jackson where she has spent the past five weeks.

About 50 neighbors gathered at the new home of Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Vance last Friday evening and gave them a welcome to the neighborhood. Dancing was indulged in to the wee small hours of the morning. A fine time was had by those who attended.

Mr. and Mrs. George Rayercraft and little son of near Forest Hill spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. A. Wiley.

Several from this vicinity attended the church services held at the Graham school house Sunday evening.

Mr. Isham entertained his two cousins and wives from Middleton Sunday.

Mrs. Matilda Webb spent Sunday with Mrs. Metcalf.
Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Childs and daughter spent Thursday with his mother near Shepherd.

CARD OF THANKS
We wish to express our sincere thanks and deep appreciation to our many friends and neighbors for the beautiful flowers, comradeship and untiring assistance given us during the sad bereavement in the loss of our good mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Fuller, Mr. and Mrs. Henry M. Fuller, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Fuller, Mr. and Mrs. George Fuller, Mr. Charles Fuller, Mr. and Mrs. Elsworth Brunkhart, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Somers.

WIN COUNTY COURT TITLE

HIGH SCHOOL TEAM BURIED
ITHACA HIGH FIVE BY COUNT
OF 23 TO 10.

The Alma High School basket ball team romped off with the Gratiot County court title Thursday evening by swamping the Ithaca High quintet under a count of 23 to 10, the Ithacans being outclassed from start to finish of the fray by the local eagles, even in spite of the big handicap of the poor floor at Ithaca.

The Ithaca team has won frays from St. Louis and Breckenridge, the former a five that Alma has not met this year, so that the victory over the Ithaca team clearly demonstrates the right of the Alma outfit to the county championship. The teams in the southern part of the county, such as Middleton, also fell before Ithaca.

The guarding of the Alma team during the entire fray was good, the Ithaca five being able to connect for only three field baskets during the entire fray.

Alma had little trouble in piling up the counters on Ithaca, Elias leading in this respect with five hoop-ringers. Sartor had just one less than the big center and Anderson added the other.

"The" Sartor by rolling in three fouls was the high scorer of the night with eleven points to his credit in the game. The entire team played good ball behind the scoring end of the quintet, this fact making possible the Alma victory by a large margin.

Lineup and summary:

Alma Ithaca
Sartor rf Rod Lake
Wyant lf Hubbard
Elias c Douglas
Anderson rg Gladstone
Veeder lg Roe Lake

Substitutions—Patterson for Wyant, Atkinson for Anderson, Lamb for Atkinson. Field baskets—Elias 5, Sartor 4, Anderson, Roe Lake, Rod Lake, Hubbard.

Fouls—Sartor 3, Roe Lake 4.
Referee—Bottom, Mt. Pleasant Normal.

ITHACA

The mother-daughter banquet will be held the evening of Tuesday, March 21, and the father-son banquet on Friday, March 24. The banquet for the former will be served by the Methodist Sunday School class of the Methodist church. The following committee on arrangements and sale of tickets was appointed: Mrs. C. M. Hays, Mrs. H. E. Lewis, Mrs. George Cashmore, Mrs. Clyde Daniels, Mrs. Alex McArthur. The latter banquet and program will be sponsored by the Knights of King Arthur.

Mrs. Mary Thomas of Alma was in Ithaca Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Kille are visiting this week their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Sutton in Detroit.

Mrs. John Wright of Highland Park visited the past week with her mother, Mrs. John Sevey, and sister, Mrs. George Rogers.

Members of the Macabee Club were entertained for their regular club meeting at the home of Mrs. Theodore Bloss Thursday afternoon. This was the annual meeting and election of officers took place: President, Mrs. Floyd Whitman; vice-president, Mrs. M. H. Davis; secretary, Mrs. Mamie Long; treasurer, Mrs. Linnie Allen. Mrs. Leland Helfer won a honor piece and Mrs. Milton Davis consolation in a guessing contest.

Mrs. A. E. Mulder of Clare spent the first of the week with her mother, Mrs. Carrie Welch.

Mr. and Mrs. Neal Smith of near Lake George were guests the last of the week of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Goodwin.

Mr. and Mrs. George Rogers and children spent Sunday with relatives in St. Johns.

Standard Bearers met on Tuesday evening with Miss Genevieve McCall for their regular meeting. Miss Kathleen Davis and Miss Eloise Reynolds are the captains in the membership contest now going on in the society.

Misses Grace Rowell and Mildred Kashneider spent Wednesday and Thursday in Grand Rapids in attendance at a millinery opening and selecting new spring goods.

Mrs. Sarah Shanafelt of Owosso is spending a few weeks with her daughter, Mrs. George Langhere.

The regular meeting of the Women's Foreign Missionary Society was held at the home of Dr. and Mrs. R. G. Dean Tuesday afternoon with nearly forty present. The business session was conducted by the president, Mrs. J. B. Gardner, the "mystery box" by Mrs. Minaker and the program by Mrs. George Davis.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Wright are moving from the Voress house on North street to the house owned by Mrs. Parker near the school house.

Eight ladies were entertained Wednesday at a six o'clock dinner by Mrs. Carl Ranger complimentary to her mother, Mrs. Edith Hawley of Detroit, who is visiting Dr. and Mrs. Ranger. After dinner bridge was played. On Tuesday evening Mrs. Hawley was honor guest at a dinner given by Mr. and Mrs. Fred Vanbuskirk at which Dr. and Mrs. Carl Ranger, Mrs. Edith Hawley, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Brown and Mr. and Mrs. Charles G. Graham were guests.

George McNabb, aged 60 years, died early Monday morning at his home three miles east of Ithaca. Surviving are the wife, a daughter, Florence, and son, William. Mr. McNabb was

a member of the Sowers Memorial church.

Donald Hoffman of Alma spent the week end with Ithaca relatives.

Mrs. C. E. Burt, Mrs. William Roberts and Mrs. George Rogers were hostesses to the members of the Presbyterian Aid Society, which was held Tuesday afternoon at the home of Dr. and Mrs. C. E. Burt. Officers were elected as follows: Mrs. C. E. Burt re-elected president; Mrs. John Mathews, vice president; Mrs. Ray McCall, secretary; Mrs. Charles Fleming, re-elected treasurer. Forty were present. Refreshments were served.

James Mouser of North Star township was in Ithaca Saturday and called on his mother, Mrs. John Mouser, who is spending some months with her daughter, Mrs. Joseph Kinsel.

The past Noble Grand club met Tuesday evening with Mrs. Edwin Rolfe. A class of candidates was initiated at this meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Cowles are entertaining their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Tim McEnderfer, and family who have sold their farm near Pompeii and will move to Leslie where they will run a meat market with her brother, Will Cowles.

Greatest Pleasure in Life.

The wearing of a beautiful kimono was stated to be the greatest pleasure of 980 women of Tokyo, in response to a questionnaire sent out by the Hoed, a Tokyo daily. Attending the theater came next with 720 women calling it their greatest joy. One hundred and fifty women answered "visiting friends" as the greatest satisfaction of life. The more simple-minded 100 maidens replied that "good things to eat" are the greatest sources of their heart's delight. The more sophisticated 50 answered "beauty of nature" as affording them the maximum of pleasure. Only 30 women confessed their greed for wealth.

Miner's Cradle.

The cradle is a simple appliance for treating "pay dirt" earth and gravel containing gold-dust. It consists essentially of a box, mounted on rockers, and provided with a perforated bottom of sheet iron in which the "pay dirt" is placed. Water is poured on the dirt, and the rocking motion imparted to the cradle causes the finer particles to pass through the perforated bottom on to a canvas screen, and thence to the base of the cradle, where the gold-dust accumulates on transverse bars of wood called "riffles."

Rainbow in Summer and Winter.

Why is the rainbow so frequently seen during the summer and so seldom during winter? Its formation, we are told by Prof. W. J. Humphreys, the eminent meteorological physicist, requires the coexistence of rain and sunshine, a condition that often occurs during local convection showers but rarely during a general cyclonic storm, and as the former are characteristic of summer and the latter of winter, it follows that the occurrence of the rainbow correspondingly varies with the seasons.

Energy Derived From the Sun.

It is estimated that the work done on this planet of ours by the radiant energy of the sun is equal to that which would be required to pump from the ocean enough water to supply a Niagara 75,000 miles wide. To equal the energy which the earth receives from the sun would call for a row of Nippon encircling the earth three times, with every foot-pound of energy utilized in electric horse power.—Philadelphia Ledger.

Sharing With Others.

What we share with others is that which enriches both giver and recipient. The richest man is the man who knows how to endure adversity as well as prosperity. He is the one who knows contentment. It is he who adapts himself to inevitable conditions. One's knowledge may be shared. Others may profit by that one's mental possessions. One's time should include large measures for others. Service should be given unstintedly and unselfishly.—Exchange.

Fine Buildings in Buenos Aires.

Although the Teatro Colon, Buenos Aires' opera house, is far famed as the largest in the world, the architectural jewel of the city is the magnificent Jockey club, on the Calle Florida, the fifth avenue of the southern metropolis. Its staircase is wide and pillared, of green marble. The furniture of one of the banquetting rooms was taken over in its entirety from an old French chateau. It has a great fencing hall.

Entirely Willing to Oblige.

Mrs. Smith engaged a new housemaid and was annoyed to find that the girl persisted in addressing her as "Mrs. Smith." She remonstrated and suggested that she should address her in the same way as the other maids did. "Well," said the girl, thoughtfully, "I can't call you ma'am or mum; I always call mother that. But I don't mind calling you auntie if you like."

Difference in Greetings.

About a hundred years ago there was an English duke who used to return home at daybreak after a night's gambling at his club. There were only two persons stirring in that part of London at that hour—the duke and a cobbler commencing his day's work. They always greeted each other. "Good night, friend," said the duke. "Good morning, sir," said the cobbler.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Many friends from different parts of the County have asked me to be a candidate for County Drain Commissioner. Accordingly I have decided to be a candidate for nomination for that office by the Republican party, at the Primaries September 12th, 1922.

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