

Alma High School Notes

Last Friday's chapel period began with a very brief mass meeting in a vain attempt to instill a little pep for the game with Clare. Following this two more of the series of orations by members of the Public Speaking class were given. Elma Lyon dove deep into a deep subject, her presentation being headed "Liability for War." She quoted the cost of war and its many other evils and made a plea to Americans to lead in the establishment of universal peace. Bert Boothe delivered an exceptional oration on the Japanese immigration problem. He declared himself for practically absolute exclusion of these Orientals. His oration was well developed and very well presented, and although he was rather radical in some of his views, probably this was the best of the three orations which have been delivered on this same subject.

After the completion of the orations, Mr. Duffey introduced Mr. Rueckert, who has been aiding him for the last few weeks, in this city. Mr. Rueckert sang two or three songs and attempted to make an escape but he was called back for more encores. Finally he was forced to flatly refuse to sing another note before his applause ceased. He then gave a short address in which he outlined the three things which he considered foremost in importance in the life of a high school pupil. "First," he said, "get a right estimate of yourself. Under-rating your ability is bad but over-estimating it is much worse. His second statement was, "Get a good education," and last he appealed for spiritual development and loyalty to God.

On Tuesday afternoon the baseball team was given the chance of a lifetime to get even with their cruel and oppressive teachers. They did the job fairly well. The chance came in the Faculty-Alma High base ball game at Republic Field. Had it not been for one bad inning, when the teachers allowed seven students to cross the plate, the final result would have been doubtful. The game was not a shut-out, however, for Mr. Luchtman sacrificed to bring Coach Van Hoesen in for the pedagogic's only count.

Chaffin was on the mound for the students and Mr. Luchtman and Mr. Van Hoesen both cast their lots against Alma High's mighty batsmen. The high school team is a comparatively green team but on the faculty roll appeared such names of by-gone stars as Kelder, Luchtman, Barnhart, and Higby. These men Swigart, Yoder, Van Hoesen, Mullin, were not in training, however, and lost 9 to 1 to their proteges.

The Tawanka Campfire group is working on a play titled, "Leave It to Pully," which they expect to have ready for presentation May 12. The cast is to consist wholly of girls from the group. The play will undoubtedly meet with success, as do most of the Campfire ventures.

The Frosh party was given as it was planned on last Friday evening. The affair was really quite a success, although the attendance was not quite as large as might have been expected. The class decoration committee revolutionized the conventional crepe paper design which usually greets the eye of the entrant to the dance floor and instead built a sort of a diamond shaped cage for the orchestra and ran a fan shaped design of streamers from each corner of the orchestra booth to the sides of the floor. The colors were those of the rainbow typifying, they said, the spirit of spring. The music and the punch were both very good and the first Frosh venture met with unlooked for success. Credit for the guidance of the youngsters should go to Mrs. Rogers and Miss Kempf, the class advisors.

The Manual Arts department will hold an exhibit of the products of the students enrolled in the course, at the school on May 24 and 25. The exhibit will include two or three photographs of various designs, a library table, intricate candle sticks, and many other interesting specimens of woodworking art. The display will be exceedingly worth while and interesting to anyone who wishes to stroll over to the building on either of the two days. Visitors will also be shown the department which is probably the best equipped in the county. The equipment includes, beside the regular work benches, a band saw, a planer, two lathes, and a combination hand saw and lathe, the invention of Jack French of this city. All the power equipment is electrically run.

Miss Lovejoy's U. S. Civics class conducted a civil court case in class Friday. The plaintiff, defendant, councils, judge, clerk and jury were all drawn from the class. The case concerned a suit for damages against a railway company for injury received in a wreck, but since the two parties had not decided on how to wreck this train and just how badly it was wrecked the contest was chiefly who could tell the biggest story and produce the most bribed witnesses. However, such practical application of book-learning adds greatly to the students' understanding of his subject. Fortunately the case was dismissed with a hung jury.

Coach Mullin has called all track men for duty this week. He has announced that Alma will enter the Gratiot County track meet and if the showing made is satisfactory, the team will be taken to M. A. C. to compete in the state meet. The prospects are not exceptionally bright although Mullin has Elias, Anderson, Wyant, and Nelson from last year's squad. It is expected that some new material may be found and developed so that Alma will have a fairly strong entry in the county meet at least.

The tennis court has been scraped and rolled and filled in so that it is now ready for play. The time for use of the court has been divided equally between the boys and the girls and more attention will be paid to the sport this year than heretofore. No prediction can be made as to who will represent Alma on the court this year although several tournaments are being arranged by Mr. Yoder.

RIVERDALE

Harvey Farmer of Stanton was in town Friday on business.

Dr. L. S. Morey of Breckridge, was a Riverdale caller Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Stacey and sons, Leo and George, visited relatives at Seville Center Sunday.

Rev. and Mrs. H. R. Strong were Elwell visitors Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Forquer and daughter, Evelyn, visited relatives at Sumner Sunday.

Mrs. Edward Freed has returned from Alma where she has been ill for some time in a hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Britten spent Sunday with their son, Claude, and wife north of town.

Henry Curtis of Edmore was in town Friday on business.

Miss Florence Strong and Miss Lillian Swarthout of Alma, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Moble Thursday.

Blaine King has returned from Eaton Rapids where he has been working for the past month.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Rice have moved to Alma.

Mrs. Fred Leiter spent Monday and Tuesday with relatives at Six Lakes.

Mrs. H. R. Strong made a business trip to Jackson last Wednesday Thursday.

Mrs. A. Carmer was called to Owosso last week on account of the serious illness of her daughter, Mrs. Claude Parkinson.

Horace Johnson was home from Clare over Sunday.

Mrs. Emma Dailey of Forest Hill spent the week end at the farm home of Andrew Lewis.

Miss Dagmar Van Alstine who attends Mt. Pleasant Normal spent over Sunday with her parents.

Mrs. Paul Mack and Miss Reta Green have returned to Detroit after spending the past two weeks with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Green.

Miss Twila Bradley was home St. Louis over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Bemis were Alma visitors Saturday.

Miss Mira Greenman has returned home from Alma where she has been visiting at the home of Mrs. Oliver Jacques for some time.

Wm. Harry of near Vestaburg was in town Friday on business.

Last Friday afternoon the Ladies of the Home Missionary Society gave a reception at the M. E. church in honor of the new members, from Riverdale, Elm Hall and Sumner Center. Mrs. Ezra Smith of Alma gave a very pleasing talk, and after a short program of music, refreshments were served. An enjoyable afternoon was reported by all those who had the pleasure of attending.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Kellie visited relatives at Winn, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Forsger and daughter, Evelyn, spent several days last week in Lansing, guests of their daughter, Mrs. Edgar Erskin.

Miss Lillian Horton has returned to Reed City.

The funeral of Mrs. Mary Hyde who passed away at her home in this place Monday at the age of 83 years, was held at the M. E. church Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock. A large number of relatives and friends attended.

Mrs. Libbie Rice is visiting her daughter near Forest Hill.

Fred and Alfred Looker have returned to Detroit.

Merle Forquer has accepted a position in a Barber shop in Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lester entertained friends from Edmore Sunday.

Dr. and Mrs. E. M. Highfield spent Thursday evening in Alma, guests of Mr. and Mrs. O. O. Kates.

Richard Hudson is working in Grand Rapids.

Mrs. Thomas Lucas has sold her Ford Touring car to her father, Orrville Welch.

Mrs. S. Coonrod is visiting at the home of her brother, Lee Schaffer, of Auburn Heights.

Wm. McGee of Pontiac is a guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Webb, north of town.

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Birdsall and children of near Clare were here to attend the funeral of Mrs. Mary Hyde.

Dr. Norman Brownridge has recovered from his recent illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Oswald Gould spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Bert Magerman of Alma.

Miss Frankie Davenport spent over Sunday with her sister, Mrs. David Manley of Vestaburg.

Behe Sadler of Alma visited friends in town Saturday.

Mrs. Leonard Putnam and son of Alma spent last week with her mother, Mrs. Dewitt Murtaugh.

Mr. and Mrs. Alanson Harrison and children spent Sunday with relatives at Ferris Center.

A. M. Konkright was home from Flint over Sunday.

Hugh Walker of Vestaburg was in town last week on business.

Mr. and Mrs. O. O. Kates and daughter, Helen, Dr. and Mrs. T. J. Carney, Miss Elizabeth Carney, Mrs. John Burkheiser and daughter, Betty of Alma, were guests of Dr. and Mrs. E. M. Highfield Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Moble and son, Donald, visited friends in Alma Sunday.

Rev. and Mrs. H. R. Strong and daughter, Eliouse, spent Monday and Tuesday with their son, Ross, and wife of Sheperdsville.

Mrs. Agnes Crawford of Breckridge, visited her daughter, Mrs. Millard Hopkins, Sunday.

Miss Pearl Metchel was home from Alma over Sunday.

Jack Heifinger of Alma spent Sunday at the Fred Greenman farm north of town.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Swarthout entertained relatives from St. Louis Sunday.

Lyle Nelson and family have moved from Riverdale to their farm near Elwell.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Parks and children have moved from the Harry King residence to the George Parks farm north-east of town.

Mrs. Wm. Parks has returned from her two weeks visit with relatives at Edmore.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Valance and family spent Sunday near Vestaburg, guests of Mr. and Mrs. Cash Erskin.

Mr. and Mrs. John Young entertained relatives from Williamson over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Rice of Alma spent Saturday evening and Sunday with Mrs. Julia Rice.

Mrs. Patrick O'Brien of St. Louis was a week end visitor at the Deener farm west of town.

George Guilds was an Alma caller Friday.

Mrs. Carrie Treace expects to move into her new home which she recently built at Vestaburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Hill and children spent Sunday at the farm home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Valance.

A. Van Alstine was in Mt. Pleasant, Friday.

Mrs. Frank Gee of Sumner Center called on friends in town Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Johnson visited relatives near Sumner Center Sunday.

Drake Phelps is gaining nicely from his recent illness.

Mr. and Mrs. John Seaman of near Sumner were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Williams, Sunday.

Mrs. John Howe and children spent Friday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Johnson south of town.

Miss Ila Guilds was home from Grand Rapids last week.

George Allen of Wheeler was a business caller in town Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Fisher entertained relatives from near Sumner and Crystal Lake Sunday.

Mrs. Charlie Deid has returned from her two weeks visit with her son, Clair, and wife of Davinson.

Mr. and Mrs. John Freed and children, spent Sunday near Elwell, guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. Apple.

Mrs. Clair Reid and daughter, Margreta, of Davison are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Hicks.

Mr. and Mrs. P. Jerome and children of Alma were week end visitors at the James Jerome farm.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Battles and son, Vincent, spent Sunday with relatives near Mt. Pleasant.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry White and children visited relatives at Seville Center, Sunday.

TOWN LINE

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Church received news last week of the death of her brother-in-law, William Esterbrook, of Seattle, Wash.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Shreeve of Lansing, are the proud parents of a baby girl. Mrs. Shreeve was formerly Miss Beatrice Sanders from near Forest Hill.

Earl Martin and friend of Alma, were callers at Matt Johnson's Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. Elisha Church is reported as not being so well at this writing.

Mrs. Arthur Church of Toledo, has been visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Elisha Church and family.

Wm. Adams had the misfortune to lose his house by fire Saturday afternoon.

Purl Whitcraft spent Saturday night with the Shoemaker boys in Arcada.

Burt Hagerman and son, were callers at Frank Whitcraft's Sunday morning.

George and Harold Shoemaker of Arcada spent Sunday afternoon with friends in this vicinity.

Charlie Spalding and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Church, spent Sunday afternoon with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elisha Church.

Mrs. Ivah Whitcraft visited friends in Alma Saturday.

Miss Josephine Johnson spent Saturday and Sunday with Miss Grace Packer near Forest Hill.

CITY COMMISSION

Alma, Michigan, April 25, 1922. Regular meeting of the City Commission of the City of Alma in session at the Council Chambers on above date.

Meeting called to order at 8 o'clock p. m. by Mayor Charles R. Murphy.

Present—Commissioners Greaser Glass, Archer and Chick.

Absent—None.

There being a quorum present the Commission was declared in session. Minutes of the preceding regular meeting were read and approved. Commissioner Chick is excused.

Table with 2 columns: Bill/Claim, Amount. Includes items like Alpert Pipe and Supply Co. \$52.71, Alma Elec. and Batt. Co. 51.60, etc.

Table with 2 columns: Name, Amount. Payroll list including V. Lowe \$22.80, F. N. Grover 48.00, J. Wells 4.00, etc.

Moved by Commissioner Greaser and supported by Commissioner Archer that the above bills as read be allowed and the clerk be instructed to issue checks in payment thereof covering Vouchers No. 933 to 949. The vote was: Ayes—Commissioners Greaser, Glass and Archer. Nay—None.

WHAT ONE MOTHER DOES Mrs. P. Bennett, 7 Wawayanda Place, Middletown, N. Y., writes: "I have given Foley's Honey and Tar to my little boy, and cannot recommend it too highly as I think it is the only medicine for coughs and colds." Fine for croup and whooping cough, as well as coughs and colds. Contains no opiates. SOLD EVERYWHERE IN ALMA (Advertisement)

Moved by Commissioner Greaser supported by Commissioner Archer that the decree from the Circuit court awarding damages amounting to \$26,046.00 against A. R. Purcell be received and filed. The motion prevails. Moved by Commissioner Glass supported by Commissioner Archer that the ordinance regulating the operation of Riverside cemetery be introduced and filed. Ayes—Commissioners Greaser, Glass and Archer. Nays—None. Moved by Commissioner Greaser supported by Commissioner Glass that the Commission adjourn until Friday, April 28, 1922 at 8 o'clock p. m. The motion prevails. Charles R. Murphy, Mayor James C. Hayward, Clerk



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