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COLLEGE ENDOWMENT CAMPAIGN COMPLETED

SCHOOL BUDGET SMALLER

ANNUAL BUDGET WILL CALL FOR ONLY \$113,015

TO ELECT TWO BOARD MEMBERS AND VOTE ON PURCHASE OF PROPERTY.

School Meeting is Monday Night

The annual meeting of the Alma school district, fractional Arcada and Pine River, will be held Monday evening, July 10, in the high school auditorium, at which time the voters of the district will be asked to elect members of the school board to succeed William W. Medler and Carl H. Washburn, whose terms expire at that time, to approve the proposed budget of the district and to pass upon a proposition to purchase 18 lots in Elmwood addition to the city of Alma, to be made a playground and park at Republic school.

The budget that will be proposed by the school board for the approval of the voters of the district is smaller than that of a year ago by over \$3,500.00 and this in spite of the fact that the salaries of the various teachers of the Alma Public Schools have not been decreased. The proposed budget calls for \$113,015 as compared with the budget of \$116,735 passed by the voters of the district last year. Some of the reasons for the decrease in the budget are said to be the fact that the interest on bonds this coming year shows a good decrease over last year, and the fact that not as large a sum is provided for books this coming year as last year.

The school board will offer for consideration the matter of the purchase of eighteen lots—Nos. 88, 89, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107 and 108 of Elmwood Park addition to the city of Alma, at the Monday evening meeting, at a cost of \$200 each. The plan of the board and others interested in the matter is to not only round out the grounds at Republic school, but also to provide a park and playground on the east side. It will be up to the voters to decide whether or not they desire to purchase the lots.

The terms of William W. Medler and Carl H. Washburn as members of the school board expire with the Monday evening meeting, and the voters will be asked to name their successors. Mr. Washburn was appointed a member of the school board about a year ago to succeed Fred Slater, when he moved from the district. So far as known both of these men are candidates for reelection to the board, but neither is making the slightest effort to make certain that they will be returned, being in the nature of receptive candidates. Whether or not any opposition to their selection will develop is not known. So far there has not been the slightest intimation that any candidate may oppose them for a place on the board, and present expectation is that both men will be re-elected Monday evening.

Nine Were Injured At Crystal Lake

Nine Lansing people were injured, three of them very seriously at Crystal lake Sunday afternoon, when a bus driven by Charles Riley, attempted to pass a car on the narrow road by the lake, and crashed into a tree, and was completely wrecked.

Six of the people were able to return to their homes in Lansing the first of the week, but the others were so badly hurt that it was necessary to leave them at the hotel at Crystal for medical attention.

Those injured were Charles Riley, driver of the truck; Mrs. Charles Riley, mother of the driver; Miss Letha Riley, Miss Lilly Little, Charles Riley, father of the driver; William Daniels, Mrs. William Daniels, four year old son of Daniels, the two year old son of Daniels. Mrs. Little, mother of Lilly Little, was also in the truck, but she escaped without injuries.

See Cash, the wool man, for top prices on wool. Phone No. 657. 50-lfc

WE THANK YOU PAT

Along with a charming little note thanking us for past favors Congressman Patrick Kelley, candidate for nomination for United States Senator, against Senator Charles E. Townsend, has sent The Record a cut from one of his late photos, and asks that we destroy the old ones and use the new. Its kind of "Pat", but who is going to pay for this particular piece of advertising. "Pat" true to his word is endeavoring to run a "cheap" campaign, and evidently at the expense of the editors of the state.

HAVE YOU GOT 'EM

People around the country are holding on to more than \$20,000,000 worth of 3 1/2 per cent Victory notes upon which interest is no longer paid, it has been announced by Secretary Mellon of the U. S. Treasury Department. The 3 1/2 notes were called for redemption on June 15, and interest on them ceased on that date.

Borton Takes Both Hudson and Essex

The Alma Garage Company announces that it has been selected as the agency for Hudson and Essex motor car for Alma and territory. Mr. W. A. Borton has been investigating the Hudson-Essex proposition for some time and is particularly enthusiastic about both makes. He looks for substantial business from the first.

"In my investigation," said Mr. W. A. Borton, "I learned that the Hudson and Essex companies have always had a splendid reputation with their owners, dealers and distributors alike throughout the automobile industry, as well. Automobile men tell me that their product has always been of high standard and that they have unusual financial strength. I went most carefully into the entire matter, including construction methods, principles and workmanship of the two cars, and am confident that no other cars offer as much for the price asked as the Hudson Super-Six or the Essex. I feel fortunate in being selected as their representative for this territory."

"While in Detroit I was shown a number of letters sent in by Hudson and Essex owners which certainly spoke volumes for the long life, economy, ease of handling and comfort which the construction and engineering principles of the Hudson and Essex make possible."

"I can assure users and prospective users in Alma that in either a splendid, attractive Hudson or in the smaller, lighter but no less attractive Essex that they will find a car by far the best buy that they have experienced in years."

"Our new stocks comprise the latest models in both cars and we invite the public to inspect them and examine their fine points."

Central Michigan Fair in August

Prizes to be offered the best appearing lady and gentleman horse rider (appearance of mount and horse considered) is expected to draw many admirers of this sport to the Central Michigan Fair to be held here August 22-26.

The Lansing Tent and Awning company has hung up an attractive prize for the best lady rider and a prize will be offered for the best gentleman rider. The judging will take place on Thursday and Friday of fair week.

In Lansing and Central Michigan are hundreds of horse fanciers, many of whom have been in touch with the manager of the fair regarding the racing and show cards. There will be races daily, attractive purses having been arranged. The Hotel Kerns has made a very liberal donation toward a \$1,000 pacing race purse and other firms have expressed a willingness to donate toward them. A large barn and stablemen's quarters have been erected on the grounds and fast horses soon will be receiving daily workouts on the half mile track. This track is of regulation size and a few weeks ago was the scene of some fast automobile races, the drivers expressing themselves well pleased with the straightways and turns.

There will be a showing of the best livestock in Michigan and points outside the state. It is the plan of the promoters of the fair to make the livestock exhibit a feature of the exposition. It is probable some prize winners from the Michigan Agricultural College at East Lansing will be shown.

Sport Shop in New Location

The Sport Shop, conducted by Merrill Ellison, on N. Woodworth avenue, for some months past, has been moved from its former location to the Suydam building at the corner of East Superior street and Woodworth, where it is now nicely located.

It was the desire of Mr. Ellison in moving the Sport Shop to acquire larger quarters, which were badly needed in the business, which had been showing a good growth, particularly in the tire and repair end of the business.

The firm, as in the former location, will handle not only tires, but all kinds of fishing tackle, ammunition and all of the other things that the sportsman loves and needs.

Mr. Ellison also announces that in connection with the new place free air will be supplied from the Woodworth avenue side of the building.

GYMNASIUM CONTRACT LET ON MONDAY

OWEN, AMES & KIMBALL OF GRAND RAPIDS GET THIS AND OTHER WORK.

At a meeting of the building committee of the Board of Trustees of Alma College, held Monday, the contract for the new memorial gymnasium-auditorium was let to the firm of Owen, Ames & Kimball of Grand Rapids, one of the large construction firms of that city, which now has the contracts for large hotels in that city, which total over two and a half million dollars of construction work.

Two other matters pertaining to building were also taken up by the building committee Monday. One of those has to do with the completion of the remodeling of the old gymnasium into a modern chemistry building. The first floor of this structure was remodeled last summer and a greater part of the chemistry department was moved into the new quarters last fall. This summer the second floor of the structure, which was formerly used as the gymnasium, will be remodeled and the entire chemistry department of the college will soon be located in this structure.

The matter of completing the rooms on the fourth floor of Wright Hall, on the Cedar avenue side of the building was also taken up, but no final decision was arrived at. This wing of the fourth floor of Wright hall was never completed, and the growth of the college is such that the room is now needed. About ten rooms can be secured by finishing up this wing of the fourth floor. The architects are preparing plans for the work, and a decision will probably be made when these are ready.

Mr. Ames of the Grand Rapids firm is to have charge of the building operations in connection with the new gymnasium. He is expected to arrive here within a few days, and operations will be started just as quickly as possible. Expectations are that the new structure will be ready for use late in the fall. Every hope is held that it will be available for the beginning of basket ball practice immediately after the Thanksgiving vacation.

Members of the building committee, who were at the meeting were W. W. Tanner of Saginaw, W. O. Hughton of Grand Rapids and Francis King and Mrs. W. A. Bahke of Alma.

FREE VAUDEVILLE

The free vaudeville entertainment given for the people of this vicinity Wednesday evening by the business men of Alma was one of the best attractions that has yet been presented.

Three fine acts were given, each one a feature act in its class. One of these was an exceptionally interesting horizontal bar act that drew its share of the applause from the large crowd. Another was a Scotch feature act of high class and the final number was a trick bicycle act.

Another fine entertainment is being promised for next week by the committee of the Alma Merchants' Bureau, which has these attractions in charge.

In accordance with naval regulations, the colors are raised at 8:00 o'clock in the morning and lowered at sunset. In the army the flag is raised at sunrise and lowered at sunset.

STEADY HAND ON THROTTLE SAVES CHILD

ENGINEER'S PROMPT ACTION PROBABLE MEANS OF SAVING TWO YEAR OLD.

Girl Knocked From Track Into Ditch

Maude, the charming little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Cole, living on Grafton avenue, could not celebrate the glorious Fourth along with the other children, and neither could she celebrate her second birthday as do most little kiddies of that age. Little Maude was struck by an Ann Arbor passenger train, southbound, Monday morning, at the Grafton ave. crossing and is in an Alma hospital recovering from the injuries that she sustained. Maude's birthday happens to fall on the same day that all Americans celebrate as the nation's birthday.

Little Maude, whose home is only a short distance from the railroad crossing on Grafton avenue, had gone down the street just a short distance Monday morning, and when the south bound Ann Arbor train left the depot Maude was in the immediate vicinity of the track. Maude continued to walk towards the track, all unsuspecting of the danger that might lie ahead.

Reaching the railroad track Maude stepped into the danger zone, just after the train had started to cross Ely street, and it was almost upon her before the little tot was seen by the engineer of the train, which was then starting to slow down to take water and coal. Quickly he sensed the danger, threw on the brakes and brought the train to a stop as quickly as possible. It could not be stopped in time to save an accident, but its speed was cut down to a great extent, and as the engine reached little Maude, she was thrown to one side into the ditch, lightly compared with the way she would have been thrown had not the engineer seen the little tot.

Her head was cut and she was otherwise injured, but the presence of mind of the Ann Arbor engineer had averted a fatal accident. The little girl was rushed to a local hospital, where she is receiving medical attention. Soon she will be able to return home again, a happy frolicking little girl, little realizing the danger that she has gone through.

T. B. Death Rate Falling Rapidly

Lansing, July 6.—A report of the United States Public Health Service furnishes interesting figures of the death rate, from various causes, prevailing in 1910 and 1920 in the United States.

In 1910 the general death rate from all causes was 14.9 among each 1,000 inhabitants of the country, whereas in 1920 it was reduced to 13.1—a decrease of 13 per cent.

In the same years, the tuberculosis death rate from all forms of the disease, for the entire country, was 160 in 1910 and 114 in 1920, for each 100,000 population. These mortality figures indicate a decrease of 29 per cent. Tuberculosis has therefore been reduced more than twice as fast as the general death rate during the years under study.

"There's a reason," as a certain popular advertisement would put it. The reason is that the general public has become interested in tuberculosis to a much greater extent than it has in the prevention of other diseases. The public is making tuberculosis its own problem, not leaving it to physicians alone.

And the moral of the figures cited by the United States Public Health Service, according to the Michigan Tuberculosis Association, is that now is the time to increase the efforts against this disease. If the efforts of the public are followed by such good results then they should be kept up so that by 1930 the reduction in the death rate will be still greater. The tuberculosis death rate can be cut in half during that time if the public will give their earnest attention to it.

LAST DAY GIFT OF \$55,000.00 BY MRS. DODGE FOR HORACE E. DODGE PROFESSORSHIP MEANS SAVING CONDITIONAL PLEDGES TO ALMA COLLEGE

KEEP THINGS HUMMING

William Smith of St. Johns, chairman of the Michigan Public Utilities Commission, and at present a candidate for the nomination for congressman on the Republican ticket at the primary to be held September 12, is making things hum already around the district. "Bill" was in Alma again last Saturday evening, his second visit in a weeks time. "Bill" held open house for his Alma friends at the Wright House, and a large number of them visited the candidate during the evening.

Coleman C. Vaughn of St. Johns, former secretary of state, Judge Edward J. Moinet, and a number of other well known political leaders of the district, who hail from St. Johns and adjacent territory were in Alma with the congressional aspirant.

PURCHASED THE MEDLER STORE

HANLEY CONSOLIDATES COR- YELL AND MEDLER ELECTRIC STORES IN ONE PLACE.

Clarence Hanley, well known Alma electrical worker, who about a month ago purchased Coryell Electric Shop from Lewis Hudson, has purchased the retail end of the Medler Electric Company business and has consolidated the two electrical shops at the location of the Medler Electrical Company on East Superior street.

Mr. Hanley has been in the electrical business in this city for some years, entering the business about the time that Mr. Medler did, the two being associated at that time under the firm name of Medler & Hanley. Soon after Mr. Hanley withdrew from the firm and since that time has been engaged in both the retail business and in the contracting end of the business at different periods.

About a month ago he again entered into the retail electrical business in Alma, when he purchased the Coryell Electrical Company store from Lewis Hudson. Last week a deal was consummated, whereby he purchased the retail end of the business conducted by the Medler Electrical Company and Monday the two retail stores were consolidated.

He will not only conduct the retail store, but will also do wiring and repair work.

Mr. W. W. Medler and his two sons, who were associated with him in the Medler Electric Company, will continue in the electric business, but in the future will devote their entire time to the contracting end of the business.

Mr. Medler and his sons at the present time have a number of electric contracts which are requiring their full time.

More Picric Acid Coming to State

A second big allotment of picric acid, totaling 1,250,000 pounds this time, has been granted to Michigan farmers for land clearing work, according to announcement of L. F. Livingston, land clearing specialist of the Michigan Agricultural College. The explosive will be delivered to farmers of the state in car lots, county agricultural agents pooling orders from their districts under the direction of Mr. Livingston, who is in charge of the distribution.

The picric acid is distributed by the U. S. Department of Agriculture, Bureau of Public Roads.

A large assignment of the explosive several months ago proved inadequate to meet demands for stump blasting material.

"Our experience with picric acid last fall and this spring has shown that this explosive is beyond a doubt suitable for land clearing work," says Livingston. "A thousand pounds is the maximum which can be allotted any one farmer. The cost will be seven cents a pound, f. o. b. Ft. Wingate, New Mexico, where it is to be carted, plus the freight rate to the consumer."

Addition of hundreds of acres of land to Michigan's total will result from the picric acid shipments. The explosive, while effective, is comparatively cheap, and will make possible land clearing operations which could not otherwise be attempted.

Final Tabulations of Funds Shows a Total of \$647,430.32 Received During the Campaign Conducted for a Total of \$685,000 Additional Endowment to the Institution.

REGARD DRIVE AS A SUCCESS IN VIEW OF BUSINESS DEPRESSION

The Alma College endowment campaign came to a close at midnight Friday, June 30, at which time sufficient pledges had been made to insure to the college all conditional pledges, which made a total of \$645,567 when the drive for funds came to a close. Since that time some few pledges which were in the mails at the time have been received and the final tabulation made yesterday shows a total of \$647,430.32 during the campaign.

On Tuesday, June 27, when tabulations of the pledges and subscriptions were made, a total of \$571,000, including all conditional pledges was all that could be recorded, and it was feared that the sum needed to clinch the various conditional gifts could not be reached. Including conditional pledges a total of \$625,000 was needed. There were two large conditional gifts, one of these being for \$75,000 from the General Education Board (Rockefeller Foundation), and one of \$50,000 from the Carnegie Corporation.

This caused the college authorities to lay the facts regarding the campaign before Mrs. Horace E. Dodge of Detroit and on Friday President Crooks received a gift from her for \$55,000 for the establishment of the Horace E. Dodge professorship of Economics and Business. This made certain the fund that was needed by the college to claim the conditional pledges.

PASTOR TENDERS HIS RESIGNATION

REV. EDWARD E. SHOULDER WILL COMPLETE PASTORATE ABOUT SEPTEMBER FIRST.

Rev. Edward E. Shouler, pastor of the First Baptist Church, has resigned and will bring his work to a close here about September 1, according to his present plans. The church board has not yet acted on the resignation, which Rev. Shouler has presented, but he says that the decision that he has arrived at is final. In this church the pastor serves three months' notice, which was recently tendered by Rev. Shouler.

It has been known among his friends that Rev. Shouler has received calls to other churches and has been offered larger salaries at various times during his pastorate in Alma. In fact, he made a proposition to come to the local church and before it was accepted had been tendered an offer that carried a \$400 larger salary. It is understood that it has been a somewhat difficult matter for the congregation to raise over the present salary, which is said to be about fifty per cent more than the church had ever paid.

Mr. Shouler has had a large and broad experience, going from the teaching profession to the ministry soon after the close of the Spanish-American war, in which he served. In connection with his work in the ministry he has rendered a valuable service in filling lecture course numbers, chautauqua dates, and has during this time written for magazines, daily papers and religious periodicals. He is at present member of the American Literary Association.

One of the earliest and most successful pastorates was at Ottawa, Kansas, seat of Ottawa University. During his senior year in the university he worked under the direction of Dr. Edward Judson, in connection with the Judson Memorial Church of New York City. Following this he held important pastorates in New York and Indiana.

During his pastorate at the local church many changes have taken place for the good of the church, and no doubt will be of benefit to the church for years to come. The congregation has been increased by baptism about twenty per cent of the resident membership; the amount paid for missions has been about three times greater than that raised in any previous period of the church's history. Every department of the church has correspondingly increased in efficiency. The Bible School has

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ed by the college to claim the conditional pledges.

Mrs. John F. Dodge of Detroit, a member of the board of trustees of the college, made an additional gift also on Friday of \$10,000. This raised her total of gifts in the campaign to \$15,000.

The formal closing of the campaign marks the first step towards the bigger Alma College and its success in the future will not only be an important factor in the community life of Alma, but will be reflected in the entire country.

The original goal of the endowment was \$685,000.00, and with the amount that has been secured, the college has realized practically 95 per cent of the sum that it sought, which is rather remarkable, when it is considered that the campaign has been underway in one of the most severe times in the country's history, especially as regards business and finance.

As a result of the various conditions which were faced during the campaign, the authorities at Alma College are highly pleased with the results which have been obtained.

President Crooks stated that a part of the money will be used to wipe out a war time deficit that the college faced, and to pay for some big improvements that are being made at the college. The new gymnasium-auditorium, which is to cost about \$80,000, is included in the building program provided under the endowment campaign, as is the completion of the work of remodeling the old gymnasium into the most modern chemistry building that any small college in Michigan can boast. The first floor of the old gymnasium was remodeled last year, and this year the second floor will be remodeled. Both the chemistry building and the gymnasium are to be ready for use late in the fall, the former probably by the time that college opens in September.

In discussing the endowment campaign President Crooks spoke of the wide interest that there had been in the campaign, over 6,300 people making pledges of financial assistance, which he believes augurs well for the future of the institution.

Unlike most of the Michigan colleges, which are now planning on endowment drives, the campaign which has just been concluded by Alma is the first widespread endowment campaign that the Presbyterian institution has waged. In the past the financial aid to the college has come almost without exception from a small group. Now hundreds of Michigan people are thoroughly acquainted with the desires of the future that Alma has, and also with Alma's needs.

Another thing in connection with the campaign is of interest—it is understood that Alma is the first of the Michigan sectarian colleges which has received financial aid from both the General Education Board (The Rockefeller Foundation) and from the

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