



INTERCLASS SERIES TO HOLD THE STAGE

Basketball Interest Keen—Three Leagues Formed

The Varsity basketball season is over, but that is no indication that the ring is to be allowed to cool off, or the floor to get dusty, for those in authority are plotting grave events in this line of sport. At the request of Graduate Manager Whitford, representatives of the different classes from the College and Agricultural School met recently, and organized three Interclass Leagues that will play during the remainder of the season.

According to the schedule as arranged there will be leagues representing the college men and women, and one of the Ag men. It was decided that all games must be played on the dates scheduled, or they shall count as a forfeiture against the offending team.

It is expected that the games to be played, though not as fast as the Varsity games, will be more exciting and of greater local interest to the whole school. Those who possess a keen sense of humor, and a witty tongue must plan to attend each game for it is certain that frequent opportunity will be given these favored individuals to exercise their endowments along these lines.

The following schedule has been arranged and should be noted carefully, so that no misunderstandings will result:

Wednesday, March 1—

Frosh vs. Sophs—College men

Frosh vs. Sophs—College women

Saturday, March 4—

Frosh vs. Juniors—College men

Seniors vs. Frosh—College women

Tuesday, March 7—

Seniors vs. Juniors—College men

Juniors vs. Frosh—Ag men

Saturday, March 11—

Frosh vs. Sophs—College men

Seniors vs. Frosh—Ag men

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FARMER'S WEEK

PROGRAM FAR AHEAD OF PAST—ATTENDANCE SMALL, HOWEVER—EXHIBITS EXCELLENT.

Despite the stormy weather and the fear of scarlet fever, the eighth annual Farmers' Week held in Alfred, Feb. 22, 23, 24, 25, drew a crowd of 701 farmers and students. The attendance was considerably less than last year, but this was not the fault of the program, for if there is ever such a thing as the "best ever" it was exemplified last week.

From every part of the state came prominent officials and institute speakers who gave to the students and farmers an unusual opportunity to come into personal contact with the leaders in the agricultural world. A great deal of credit is due the committee in charge for securing and executing the best Farmers' Week program ever held in Alfred. This

year was probably the first time that every speaker scheduled for a lecture has been able to attend and in only one case was any speaker delayed.

For many years Director Wright has expected to give the Alfred people the chance to hear the State Commissioner of Agriculture, but until this year the Commissioner has always disappoint them. Those who attended the evening session on Thursday, however, had the opportunity of listening to Hon. C. S. Wilson, who directs the agricultural interests of the Empire State. Probably the most interesting and whole-souled talks were given by Edward VanAlstyne, Director Farmers' Insti-

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Varsity Five Defeats Cook Academy

Inability to Wake-up Nearly Cost Victory—Cook Fast

In a game remarkable for its snappy pass work and sensational shots, the Varsity five walked away from Cook Academy in the closing minutes of play, carrying with them the long end of a 42-38 score. The Varsity were clearly off their game and it was anybody's game until the final whistle blew.

The game started as slow as could be imagined, Alfred seeming dazed. Saunders scored first for Alfred, and then again. Quite as quickly DeFrancisco made good on a sensational shot and from then on the teams alternated in securing baskets. The first

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Glee Club to Make Its Debut

Concert Tonight Introduces New Organization

Tonight, for the first time in a period of years, a glee club representing Alfred, steps out upon the boards. Carefully trained and splendidly equipped, they are ready to demonstrate, to the college from which they come and to the town which surrounds the college, the place which they are to hold henceforth in the life of the community.

It will be remembered that even as far back as the Fiat Fair, the club had trained sufficiently to receive enthusiastic appreciation; however, the few numbers which they rendered then were, even in the face of their acknowledged

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UNIVERSITY ASSEMBLY THURSDAY EVENING

Promises to be Unusually Well Attended

The first regular University Assembly for 1916, which is to take place Thursday evening at eight o'clock, bids fair to be among the real successful events of the year. Neglect, inexcusable neglect, in this already limited activity, throughout the year has had one good effect, and that is to awaken the men to the importance of the occasion now that it has eventually arrived.

With these amends in mind the committees have been working hard to insure every part of the dance being up to all expectations. Keating's orchestra of Olean, one of the best orchestras in this section of the state has been secured to furnish music, and in this respect alone some idea of the plans are foretold. The student body has responded to the interest taken by the committees, and indications are that everybody of "terpsichorean bent" will be present Thursday evening.

C. W. O. MEETING

The majority of college women met Thursday evening, Feb. 24,, at Kenyon Memorial. Prof. M. I. Hart spoke on the "Object and Work of the College Woman's Organization." The subject of doing away with special permits was discussed and it was decided to wait until next meeting to vote on it. In April the new officers will be elected for next year.

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

The Brick women surprised their matron, Mrs. Middaugh, by a birthday supper, Sunday evening, Feb. 27, 1916. In appreciation, Mrs. Middaugh was presented with a fine ivory toilet set.

N. Y. S. A.

NOO YAWK CLUB TRAP-SHOOT CONTEST

Spring Event to be Arranged—Silver Cup Offered

Preparations are under way for the spring trap-shooting contests, which were so successful last season. These contests will be held, about four in number, at intervals of about three weeks. They will be open for the members of the Club and their friends. Regulations are now being made concerning invitations, shells, etc. As an added feature, a silver loving cup, seven inches high, including a gold medal attached, will be rewarded the member with the "eagle eye." This will probably be at the wind up of the season. As yet no dates have been set.

AG FROSH SLEIGHRIDE

The Ag Frosh enjoyed a pleasant sleighride and evenings

entertainment last Monday when three large sleigh loads of students went to Almond. The Grange Hall was hired for the evening and supper was served in the basement by the Grange ladies. The evening was passed in dancing and playing of games.

Three large tables accommodated the large number which was present and an excellent supper was served at about 10:30 p. m.

The party returned at a reasonable hour, all feeling that the evening had been a great success. Chaperons were Miss Wood and her brother, also, Prof. B. E. Pontius.

N. Y. S. A. CAMPUS

Among the old Ag students present at Farmers' Week were: H. B. Stout '15, Lynn Langworthy '14, Paul Green '15, George Griffin '14, Supt. French '10, of the Belvidere Farm.

GLEE CLUB TO MAKE ITS DEBUT

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success, hardly a fair judge of the societies worth. Tonight must decide that, for the entire program is designed to that especial end. Care has been taken to provide a varied entertainment, and the numbers have been so arranged as to guard against a monotony arising out of too long a series of similar pieces.

The training will be at once apparent with the statement that most of the numbers will be unaccompanied. The difficulties which such an arrangement involves have been overcome, leaving as the advantage the finer shades of harmony which the piano is apt to obscure.

It would seem as though the growth of the school, its broadening interests have demanded of our more social accomplishments, some times correspondingly increased. As a result, we have,

instead of a quartet, a glee club, the Alfred Glee Club. Alfred welcomes it.

BRICK DANCE

The annual dance of the Brick girls will be held Tuesday, March 7. The committee has been appointed with Mable Hood '17, as chairman.

"And, Bill, have you been to 'The Birth of a Nation'?"
"Sure; I've slept in one."
"What?"
"In a Pullman car, you boob."
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SOPH-FROSH BATTLE TOMORROW EVENING

Both Men and Women Contests Much at Stake

The second game of the Soph-Frosh basketball series will take place to-morrow night. Although the Frosh had it fairly easy the first game, it was evidenced by the Junior-Soph game Saturday night that such will not be the case next time. However the Frosh have also done some practicing since that first game.

To-morrow night will also be staged the underclass women's contest. The Sophs under the leadership of Harer have a very fast combination. This team has three of the varsity first string players. Wilson, captain of the Frosh, has been giving the quintette consistent drilling so the Sophs have some hard work cut out for them in upholding their record of no defeats.

ASSEMBLY

A very entertaining hour was given to the student body on Wednesday, Feb. 23d, by Prof. Weed of the Music department.

Mr. Weed gave a short paper on the life of Moszkawski, finishing the address by a number of choice compositions by the great musician and composer.

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Varsity Five Defeats Cook Academy

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half ended with the score 24-22 in favor of Cook, which in view of the increasing slacking of speed on the part of the Varsity was extremely foreboding.

The second half showed a decided change in the Varsity's playing. They played a closer guarding game, and as a result the visitors opened up some of the best pass work seen on the floor this season, and clearly outshone the Varsity on this type of play. However, the scoring continued, until at the end of the period, the purple and gold men had secured 20 points to their opponents' 14, thus giving them the final score of 42-38.

For Cook, Reinbach at R. F. caged the most baskets, five in number. He was closely pursued for first honors by Torrerosa, Pratt, and De Francisco who caged four apiece. Their passwork was of the first class variety and clearly befuddled the Varsity. The clever long shots of Captain De Francisco at R. G. kept the crowd on edge. Warren at C. was the only member who failed to produce a basket.

As usual Capt. Decker at L. F. scored the greatest number of baskets, six in number, but his all-around playing was sadly lacking and as a result his only poor game of the season must be registered against him. Maglin, at R. F. put up one of his best exhibits, caging the ball for five

goals, with Saunders at C. hot on his trail with four goals. Cottrell at R. G. was clearly off his game on guarding, but managed to score three goals. Conderman at L. G. played his regular hard game and clearly was the best Varsity player. His guarding was good and he also produced two baskets.

The summary:

Alfred	F. B.	F. P.	T. P.
Decker, L. F.	6	2	14
Maglin, R. F.	5	0	10
Saunders, C.	4	0	8
Cottrell, R. G.	3	0	6
Conderman, L. G.	2	0	4

Total	20	2	42
Cook	F. B.	F. P.	T. P.
Reinbach, R. F.	5	0	10
Torrerosa, L. F.	4	0	8
Warren, C.	0	0	0
Pratt, L. G.	4	0	8
De Francisco, R. G.	4	4	12

Total 18, 4 38
Referee, MacClelland, Alfred.
Timer, Fiske, Alfred.
Scorers, Brown, Cook; Wight, Alfred.
Time of halves—20 minutes.

A fast preliminary was staged between the college sophomore and junior teams, which the former won 24-4. The game was uninteresting due to the ease with which the underclass team ran away with the rival class. The all-around work of the Sophs was decidedly superior, while Crawford and Poole played the best individual game for the 18ers. For the juniors King gave the best account of himself, although he lacked his usual ability to cage the sphere.

Line up:		
Juniors	C	Sophomores
Ayars, King	L. G.	Blumenthal
Davis, Bliss	R. G.	Randolph
Green, Sheppard	R. F.	Gaiss
King, Hopkins	L. F.	Poole
Green		Crawford

JUNIOR PLAY SET FOR MARCH 18TH

Conditioned, However, On Ability To Secure Hall

Alfred is to see an English Society play, presumably on the eighteenth of the coming month. Under the direction of Miss Weed the junior class of the College has been working for some time to realize it. Naturally the play will not contain the whole class, but a cast selected on the competitive basis from among the juniors, is at work.

The very nature of the play affords an opportunity for some very nice acting. Because it is a society play, and particularly, an English Society play, it cannot depend for its success so much on the rapidity of its action as on the reality and truthfulness of its representation. The costumes will be very interesting in themselves, also. Many of them will come from the homes of Alfred people, out of the chests where they have remained so long. Once more they will help to enliven the interior of an English ball room.

The play, we have said, is a junior enterprise and the receipts from it are to be used as an aid in the publication of the Kanakadea.

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Tuesday, March 14—
Frosh vs. Seniors—College men
Juniors vs. Seniors—Ag men
Tuesday, March 21—
Sophs vs. Juniors—College men
Seniors vs. Faculty—College men
Saturday, March 25—
Sophs vs. Seniors—College men
Seniors vs. Sophs—College women

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What is the reason for the delay that is experienced in Alfred in settling definite dates for different events? Is it based on sound causes or is it mere shiftlessness? It is not peculiar to certain organizations, but it seems to affect all our activities. Whatever the reason there should be a better understanding of what a poor policy this waiting until the eleventh hour to set a date is. It affects adversely, both financially and from a point of view of the support that the students give it. Anybody, who is awake to advertising value, will realize that when a date of an important event is not decided upon so that it can secure mention in a paper no more than once that the best results cannot be obtained. Come let us be more business like in dealing with these matters.

With the wind-up of the basketball season, in a manner not overly satisfactory, due to the small number of games, we are brought face to face with the requirements that confront a small college as-

pirant in the basketball world. It is unlike that which presents itself in football and baseball in which sports practically every college is represented, for there are comparatively few small colleges that play the indoor court game. Early in the year several minor colleges gave promise of turning out fast teams, but as the season advanced they were not to be found.

This situation makes it necessary, in order to play collegiate basketball, to throw our fortunes with large colleges. This fact must be borne in mind next year, and, while the Fiat thinks that Alfred for various reasons, could make her best showing in basketball, it is going to demand some serious work. Above all it must necessitate the interest and support of the student body.

COLLEGE CURRENT AFFAIR COURSE

Result of a Too Apparent Need—
Professors Norwood and
Clarke In Charge

A current events course? Why of course, every high school student should be obliged to take such a study, but then a college student has no need for that work. True as this may seem Alfred has a current affairs class, this semester, and it has a purpose other than the bestowal of one hour's credit upon those taking it. The need of such information in college, which Dr. Norwood characterized as "incomprehensible that students should study about Charlemagne, and wouldn't know who Kitchener is," led to the inauguration of this subject. The lack of information on current problems among college students has become almost traditional, as evidenced by the far from flattering results in a questionnaire copied in a recent Fiat from the Buffalo Express.

This situation, which was especially noticeable in the History and Educational Departments under Dr. Norwood and Prof. Clarke respectively, caused these profes-

sors to see the practicability of a study of modern problems. A plan was discussed and as a result Dr. Norwood and Prof. Clarke are conducting jointly, the course, in which sixteen are enrolled. In order to make it a subject of college caliber, a plan of more than mere newspaper reading was outlined.

Among the work that must be followed out systematically, aside from whatever other work may be taken up, is the careful reading of a daily, from which must be followed up and all the items clipped that can be found on one or two articles. Also each member takes the Independent, which has to be reported on every week, while everybody has two monthly magazines on which to report and put in the index box cards recording articles on current events in these publications. As more definite evidence of what they are obtaining from their reading, a summary of one article at the end of each month must be prepared by every member.

One of the most important phases of the general scheme is to teach the students to discriminate as to the authenticity of news articles. To distinguish between a rumor, an associated press dispatch, editorial, government report and other sources, is just what the average reader fails to do, and is the cause of an immense amount of harmful information. The course attempts to correct this, and, so to this end, brings out the value of the source of an article, and intelligent and critical reading of the modern press.

THE MINISTRY AS A VOCATION

Paul Micon To Visit Alfred

Paul Micon, representing the Y. M. C. A. will be in Alfred, March 12, to present the "Cause of the Ministry" to the students. Mr. Micon will preach in the morning at the regular church service, and will hold a conference of the students in the afternoon and will speak to the Y. M. C. A. at the evening session.

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AMERICAN CERAMIC SOCIETY

Alfred Well Represented—Take Important Part In Program

On Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of last week, was held at Cleveland, Ohio, the eighteenth annual meeting of the American Ceramic Society. The sessions were of exceptional interest owing to the production problems which have arisen since the war began.

The following papers, prepared by Alfred men, were presented during the meeting:

"Chemical Porcelain," Prof. E. T. Montgomery and M. G. Babcock.

"Dehydration of Calcium Carbonate," Prof. E. T. Montgomery.

"A Study of the Drying Behavior of Clays," M. G. Babcock '15.

"Slag Paving Brick," Prof. E. T. Montgomery, P. W. Burdick '15, M. M. Groves '16.

"Use of Domestic Materials in the Manufacture of Porcelain," Director C. F. Binns, G. Blumenthal '17.

A "get-together smoker" was

held Monday evening. During the evening Director Binns gave a report on the progress of the New York State Student Branch of the American Ceramic Society since its inauguration at Alfred, early in the fall. Next year it is expected that the Society will send a delegate to the meeting, the Ohio State Branch being represented by one this year. About twenty-five Ceramic students from Ohio State University were in attendance at the regular sessions.

Junius Krehbiel '04, with a Chicago Heights Terra Cotta Co.

M. Llewellyn Bell '07, Carnegie Steel Co., Pittsburgh, Pa.

R. Guy Cowan '07, Cowan Art Studio.

C. Forest Tefft '14, Fiske & Co., Darlington, Pa.

I Andrew Krusan '14, Forke Insulator Co., Victor, N. Y.

The above were the Alfred graduates in attendance.

The officers elected are as follows: L. E. Barringer, President.

Mr. Barringer is the installation engineer of the General Electric Co., at Schenectady, N. Y., and a wide-awake Ceramic man. E. K. Pence, Vice President; Edward

Orton, Jr., Secretary and Herford Hoke, Treasurer. The meeting place for the session of 1917 has not been decided on, but it will doubtless be in or near New York City.

The members of the Student Branch of the A. C. S. will hear a detailed report of the meeting from Director Binns and Prof. Montgomery at the next session, which will probably be held about March 8th.

Y. W. C. A. PRESENTS PAGEANT

In Connection With Jubilee Week
—Ablly Portrayed

On Sunday evening the Young Women's Christian Association presented "The Girls of Yesterday and Today." In the form of a pageant, the increasing importance of the Association in the lives of women, was shown, since its foundation in the year 1866.

After the responsive readings, a prologue showed in tableau, the conditions of working people in 1866.

Scene I

Signing of the Y. W. Constitution
House Mother Edna Jackson
Daughter Mildred Carnes

Scene II

Y. W. Room of City Association
Representation of work among girls
Country girls—

Mildred Taber
Ethel Larson
Dorothy Stevens

City girls—

Hilda Ward
Ruth Canfield

College students—

Eva Williams
Ina Withey
Elizabeth Davis

Camp Fire girls—

Dorothy Baxter
Mildred Place
Martha Cobb
Rachel Richmond

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South America—Ethel Smith
China—Ellen Holmes
Japan—Mable Hood
Holland—Enid White
Russia—Katryne Vander Veer
Sweedeen—Alpha Brown

Scene III

Processional, representing by costume the decades from 1866-1916

The speaking parts were taken by Eva Witter as "1866" and Mary Hunting as "1916." Music for the evening was furnished by

Mary Saunders. The success of the evening was due to the willing co-operation of the women under the capable direction of Hazel Perkins, chairman of social committee of the Y. W.

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tutes of New York State, on Rural Citizenship, and by W. N. Giles, Secretary of the State Grange, on the Unification of the Various Agricultural Interests. These men who have spoken to thousands of mixed audiences all over the country, have the power of so presenting their subject matter that everyone is interested.

The Tuesday morning session opened with a lecture on Breeding for Egg Production by W. G. Krum of Cornell, who is well known to most of the readers. Mr. VanAlstyne, Director of Farmers' Institutes, was next on the program and his talk was very interesting for the farmers of this section, "The Present Outlook for the Sheep Industry" being his topic. Dean Cook from St. Lawrence, also spoke on a subject of interest to farmers of Southern New York, his topic being, "Methods Involved in Profitable Milk Production."

It would require too much space to give a complete resume of the many interesting discussions and lectures but they can be taken up in a general way. Dean Cook, Dean of the State School of Agriculture at St. Lawrence University, presented to the farmers of Southern New York, the modern methods of milk production as it is carried out in his county, which ranks first as a dairy county of the state. Being a partner of a firm which is producing certified milk for the commercial trade he is well qualified to speak on this most important phase of agricultural life.

Prof. LeRoy Anderson of Cornell, gave two lectures on the feeding of farm animals and an illustrated lecture on agriculture in California, with special reference to the fruit industry. Mr. Anderson, whose home is in California and who has spent many years studying the conditions of that great state, presented to a large audience, the wonderful development which modern agriculture has reached in the West.

Dr. J. F. DeVine, a leading live stock man of New York, gave two valuable discussions of diseases and emergency treatments of

farm animals. Dr. DeVine was here last year and the students and farmers were all anxious to hear this well known veterinarian. Dr. DeVine will be remembered because of his connection with the campaign against the foot and mouth disease. He is an authority on all matters pertaining to veterinary science.

As has been mentioned, the State Commissioner of Agriculture, Hon. C. S. Wilson, was able to be present. Arriving in Alfred ahead of his scheduled time. Mr. Wilson kindly consented to talk a few minutes Thursday afternoon, and in his short talk he impressed upon the farmers of this section the necessity of raising more meat. Sheep and even hogs were advocated by Mr. Wilson as a solution to the meat problem of New York. The main trend of his address in Firemens Hall, Thursday night, was the standardization of farm products. He plead with the farmers of New York to place in the market, not more produce, but a high grade standardized product, one which can successfully compete with the great products of the west.

Until this condition shall be brought about, the farmers of the east, even though they have the better product, can never compete successfully with their more progressive brothers of the far west, who fully realize the necessity and value of a product which is uniform and honestly packed by organized farm association. Will the farmers of New York never grasp the fact that, although they have a first class product and are within easy access of the world's greatest market, they are far behind the distant progressive business farmer of the west who understands and utilizes that great medium of trade, the advertising press? Numerous prominent speakers laid great emphasis on this great question during the past week. How many farmers are going to forget their individuality for awhile and think seriously of this great issue. If even a few can be convinced that this is a good plan, then the promoters of this Farm and Home Week will feel that something of real value has been accomplished.

H. A. Emerson of the State Department of Foods and Markets, gave in a very few minutes, some interesting facts concerning this new department. How many farmers know of the work which this new department of Foods and Markets is doing for the selling end of the farmer's business. John J. Dillon, who is publisher of the Rural New Yorker, is at the head of this new work and is working day and night to better the conditions in the markets and do away with the middleman. This work is still in the experimental stage but already has done a great work in securing a higher price for the farmer and lower price to the consumer.

The legal side of agricultural life was well expounded by Hon. G. L. Flanders of the State Department of Agriculture. Mr. Flanders has for many years been at the head of the department which investigates violation of our agricultural laws and some idea of the extent of his work may be gained from the fact that over 1700 cases passed through his hands during the past year. Farmers are only human and many of the important cases were violations committed by some unscrupulous person who believes that it's not wrong to steal if you don't get caught.

The subject of organization and unification of agricultural interests were well handled by W. N. Giles and F. N. Godfery. These men are both well known to Alfred audiences and their mission was a noble one. It is through their organizations that the first great step towards the betterment of our farm conditions is reached. Local farmers who are connected with the Alfred Grange are well aware of this fact.

H. M. Bowen, Wyoming Farm Bureau Manager and F. C. Smith of the Allegany County Farm Bureau, were representatives of the great work which this bureau is carrying on. Their work although very important, is well known to most of the readers and so will receive only short notice here.

A new project to take the place of the cow testing association was discussed by W. L. Markham of the Erie County Bureau and

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to many it seemed to open a new line of education for the dairy farmer. This project is now under way in Erie County under the supervision of Mr. Markham.

The potato situation was discussed by Mr. Dean, President of the Potato Growers' Association, and Prof. H. G. Bell, Agronomist of the National Fertilizer Association. Prof. Bell gave lectures on the Physics of the Soil, the Chemistry of the Soil and Potato Production. Prof. Bell has been for many years connected with colleges and experiment stations and is well versed in all points dealing with the soil and its cultivation.

Prof. A. E. Wilkinson handled the Growing of Truck Crops and the Growing of Vegetables for Market. A. H. Remsen gave a demonstration on Growing and Potting Flower and Vegetable Plants which is closely allied with the truck business.

The important question of farm draft power, the horse, was ably handled by Prof. B. E. Pontius of N. Y. S. A., who gave an illustrated lecture on Desirable Types of Horses. Coming from a great draft horse state, Mr. Pontius can readily see the advantage to be gained by New York farmers in breeding the heavier type of horse which the market demands.

The mechanics of the farm was discussed by Prof. L. B. Crandall of Alfred. Concrete construction was his subject for an illustrated lecture. Prof. F. S. Place also gave an illustrated lecture, his subject being Birds and How to know Them. His demonstration of rope splicing was also of practical value to the farmer. Concrete road construction and other state highway con-

struction was discussed by Wm. Collins of State Highway Dept.

Mr. Banta, who is in charge of the poultry department here, gave a demonstration on Handling and Grading of Eggs. The milk situation was ably handled by Adelbert Sheffield, who also gave demonstrations each day in the dairy building, assisted by his students. Owing to the non-arrival of his slides, Prof. L. C. Whitford was unable to give his lecture on Farm Sanitation.

Prof. C. O. DuBois spoke briefly on the Rural School, that most important of rural problems. It is to these younger boys and girls that we must look for the fulfillment of the plans of the present generation, and it is becoming more and more necessary to start the rural education in the lower grades.

A work, which has been carried to such an ultimate success during the past week must be guided by one who understands the needs of the people. Such a one is Director W. J. Wright and his assistant, C. O. DuBois. To these two is due the credit for giving Alfred the best Farmers' Week program ever heard in the history of the Ag School. Besides securing and directing the entire week's program Director Wright spoke very earnestly to a large audience in Firemens Hall, Thursday evening.

A resume of the week would not be complete without the Domestic Science program, but this will be discussed under a separate heading. Special features will also be found in another column.

One more Farmers' Week has come and gone, the class rooms are free from exhibits and the students have returned to their

routine duties with a full appreciation of the many opportunities which have been presented them. This work is for the students as well as for their elders and if you did not attend, that is your own loss; those who did are the gainers.

Domestic Science

A great deal is heard of the necessity of educating the farmer, but it is only quite recently that the subject of Domestic Science has been carried into the farm home and rural districts, and not one of you can say that it is not needed, for of what avail is all this great effort toward the farmers' education if that atmosphere of the home is not equalized by the like education of her who is the companion and co-worker, the farmer's wife and daughter.

And the education of the farm woman is not only in the language of the cuisine or the culinary department, but also in the various other important phases of farm and rural life, such as household management, power in the home decoration, the choosing of textiles, rural school sanitation and many other topics of interest and importance to the rural woman.

Prominent among the speakers who sought to reach the farm home by means of the mother and sister were: Mrs. Emma Cole Ayars, Mrs. Agnes Clarke, Mrs. Ida S. Harrington of State Department of Agriculture, Miss Elizabeth Rennert, Public Health Nurse, and Miss Bertha Titsworth of Cornell University, also Miss Annette J. Warner of the same institution. The local faculty also were represented by Miss Angeline Wood, Miss Julia Wood, Miss Grace L. Cheesman, all of Alfred. Mr. Krum, who entertained the ladies as well as the men, took an active part in the Domestic Science program, giving two very interesting lectures on market poultry and its preparation.

The third floor of the Ag Hall was given over to child welfare exhibits and serving of tea each afternoon.

Room 12 on the first floor was the scene of a rural sanitation ex-

hibit from which many a good lesson could be learned.

In Room 28, was the potato exhibit, Almond Grange winning the silver cup. Despite the poor year the exhibit was very good and some high class potatoes were shown. Entries and prizes will be given next week.

The poultry show was rather small, not as many birds being shown as was expected. These entries and prizes will also be given later. The dairy building was open for inspection at all times and practical work was in progress each morning and afternoon.

The exhibits were, like the attendance, not large, but full of interest and educational value, all blending together to make this year the "best ever."

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Varsity Basketball Season Ends

Various Reasons Bring Close—Honors Even

The game with Cook on Saturday evening marked the close of the Varsity basketball this season. Due to lack of interest by the greater portion of students, the few minor colleges that play basketball, and the present financial condition of the athletic association, it was thought best to discontinue the schedule.

The season cannot be termed a failure. With the faithful work of a few, in spite of the unpleasant difficulties which were met with, the team succeeded in winning three games of the six which were played.

The season was opened with a defeat by the State Highway team of Hornell composed of former college stars. In the return game tables were turned and the Varsity were the winners. The next contest with the Wellsville Community Club was an easy victory for the Varsity.

The trip to Mansfield was a decided disappointment. The team lost mainly because they were unable to contend with the slippery condition of the floor. The next game with Olean Y. M. C. A. was a heartbreaker to the team and students. It was the hardest and fastest contest of the season, Alfred losing by one point. The final game with Cook Academy was a victory for the Varsity after a stirring contest.

Capt. Decker at left forward clearly was the star player of the team. His accurate shooting and good all around work was a big feature in the Varsity victories. Not once did he cage less than five baskets, his highest being ten.

Maglin at right forward played a good guarding game but failed to find the basket enough, as should become a forward. The last game showed him at his best with a total of five baskets.

Cottrell, at right guard, played a brilliant guarding game. He followed the ball closely, and was sensational in his shooting.

Conderman at left guard, put up a fine exhibition of guarding.

His work as a guard leaves no question of his ability unsettled. He generally managed to cage a couple baskets a game.

Saunders at center, showed up well, coming to the front especially in the last two games. His jumping continued to improve throughout the season, while in the last contest he also caged four baskets.

Other men who were out regularly for the team were Hopkins, Perry, Witter, Parkhurst, and while they did not register as Varsity players, were instrumental in the work of the team. Next year, when it is expected that football will have been put upon the foundation desired, it is planned that basketball will be next in line for concentration of the athletic officials, and thus make her record one of the best of small colleges.

ALUMNI

Dr. Daniel Lewis '69, of New York City, a trustee of Alfred University, was in town last week to attend the meeting of Board of Managers of the Agricultural School. Dr. Lewis, who is one of the most valued members of the University Board of Trustees, expects to give up his practice and remove to Alfred in the spring where he will occupy the Lewis homestead.

F. L. Titsworth, A. U. '07, the man who promoted and helped manage the recent Alfred Alumni dinner at the Hotel McAlpin, in New York, comes to our notice as managing other things with as much success and satisfaction as this. In the March, 1916, issue of Crowley's Magazine appears Mr. Titsworth's picture above the following highly complimentary but not exaggerated statement:

"Circulation Manager of Scribner's Magazine, a new man in the circulation field who has already made a splendid record as a real circulation builder, because he does not fool with schemes, but intelligently promotes the standard methods of magazine selling, always giving liberal terms and practical co-operation to all reliable magazine sellers." Those that remember "Ferd," will recognize in this, his old characteristic methods that carried

him through his college course so well.

Dr. Lewis Has New Novel

"Those About Trench" is a book by Dr. Edwin H. Lewis '87, Dean of Lewis Institute, Chicago. Dr. Lewis, who is known to Alfred through his various visits to the University Commencements, and his doctor's oration at the 1910 Commencement, is a brother of Mrs. B. F. Langworthy, mention of whom was made in last week's Fiat as heading the movement to organize a branch alumni association in Chicago.

Concerning the novel the book reviewer of the Chicago Herald for February 20th says:

You're either the one who said that Dr. Lewis knows more than it's right for any one human being to have stored away in his brain or you're one of the many who have agreed with that sentiment or you've a surprise awaiting you when you meet him. So whoever you are you'll not want to miss "Those About Trench." (Macmillan).

I hasten to assure you that it is not a war book despite the presence in it of the Austrian tragedy and the word Trench in the title. Trench is the name of a doctor who lives and works for Halsted street. The scene of the story shifts from the west side of our own town to the far, far east. The Balkans background it for a time.

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Mrs. D. H. Rogers, a former student in Alfred, died suddenly at her home in Alfred Saturday evening. Mrs. Rogers, who is a sister of B. S. Bassett, a member of the University Board of Trustees, has lived in Alfred the greater part of her life, and has always taken an active interest in the University.

ELECTION OF REPRESENTATIVES FOR ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION COUNCIL

On Wednesday morning at chapel time a special meeting will be held in chapel for the purpose of electing one professor and three students as members of the athletic council for the year 1916-17. At the same time a meeting will be held in the college chapel for the same purpose. This is very important and every student professing to have the interest of the University athletics at heart, is urged to be present. Don't stay away from the meeting and then raise a protest against the result of election.

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