



## ALFRED IN THE 50'S

The following letter from Miss Leona M. Thacher of Colorado Springs, and the extract from the diary of her grandfather, Safford M. Thacher, which accompanies it, provides an interesting side-light on college life at Alfred in the old days:

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Alfred University,  
Alfred, N. Y.

In looking through an old journal of my grandfathers', I find his account of his days at Alfred, which may be of interest to you. My grandfather was Safford M. Thacher of Hornellsville as it was then called, and he attended, as nearly as I can find out, six terms in 1851 or 52 and 53.

If your college is like my own Alma Mater, Colorado College, "old days" will be of interest to you all. I enclose a copy of the account.

My grandfather was for years the editor of the Hornellsville Times prior to his removal to Kansas in the pioneer days.

If you can use this, I shall be glad to have written it, if not, I shall not be disappointed.

Very truly yours,  
(Miss) Leona M. Thacher.

Alfred was considered one of the very best schools in New York State. It had a university charter and its curriculum was as broad as the colleges of the day.

The school was founded from philanthropic motives. The founder, William C. Kenyon, conceived that it was his mission to bring education within the reach of those of small means. He enlisted with him enthusiastic and ambitious young men of like motives. When I attended there were seven men on the Faculty—all college graduates. Then there were two or three female teachers also. The professors drew a salary of \$600 each, the president getting no more. They thought they were working for the good of humanity and that salary was not the chief thing. To make expenses for students low, the institution ran a boarding house at which table board was furnished at one dollar-per week. The price had been advanced, however, before I attend-

ed. But even the institution's price for board was not cheap enough to meet all cases. Many students formed clubs and boarded themselves. One girl, a most brilliant scholar, afterwards an author of books of poetry, and story, it was said, boarded herself for a whole term at an expense for eatables, of only \$1.50. She lived almost exclusively on corn meal mush and molasses. I am telling this for truth and not to make a good story.

In a few years Alfred drew a grade of students who were able and willing to pay reasonable prices, and rates at Alfred were advanced to the ordinary figures in other schools. It was always true however, that a needy student who merited help, found a quick response at Alfred and the road was made smooth for him.

To all the students at Alfred during Kenyon's presidency, W. C. Kenyon was the "Old Boss." He gave the special tone to the institution and infused a characteristic vim into his pupils. Boys unconsciously copied his mannerisms and intentionally mimicked his eccentricities. I used to hear men say, "I can tell an Alfred student whenever I meet him."

Kenyon was not the best teacher in the Faculty, nor was he the best scholar. Pickett far surpassed him in mathematical scope; Ford was far broader in general culture; Larkin knew twice as much in Kenyon's specialty, grammar; and in metaphysics, Allen outranked him out of sight. Yet, it was the "Old Boss" who impressed himself on every one he met. Other teachers imparted knowledge to their pupils, Kenyon woke them up. Other professors guided the students in their labors, Kenyon imparted the desire to know. Other instructors were lavish in pouring into the minds of receptive students from the great store of their own acquired knowledge; Kenyon gave the student a tremendous estimate of the value of the education he was receiving and of his own enormous abilities to use his education when acquired. Certainly it was not by personal flattery that he inoculated his "Boys" with "Big Head," but they caught the complaint from him in some way. In his first contact with raw students he was very apt to tell them plainly that they knew nothing. He was even almost brutal in his sarcasm. Angered by the stupidity of a new class in grammar, he said to them,

"Don't go through my barn yard, you are so green the cattle will eat you."

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## MISS CHIPMAN'S RECITAL

Miss Miriam Chipman gave her graduation recital at Firemens Hall, Monday evening. Her program, which was well chosen and rendered with Miss Chipman's well known talented interpretation and skill in technique, was listened to by a large and appreciative audience of her friends, who congratulate her most heartily on the successful completion of her musical course here. The program, a repertoire well suited to her range, included the following numbers:

- |  |                |
|--|----------------|
| I  |                |
| My Laddie (Scotch Love Songs)              | Thayer         |
| I Hear You Calling Me                      | Marshall       |
| Extace (in French) (Composer at the piano) | F. J. Weed     |
| (dedicated to Miss Chipman)                |                |
| Happy Lil' Sal                             | Bond           |
| II   |                |
| Four Indian Love Lyrics                    | Finden         |
| I The Temple Bells                         |                |
| II Less Than The Dust                      |                |
| III Kashmiri Song                          |                |
| IV. 'Til I Wake                            |                |
| III  |                |
| Oh Promise Me                              | R. De Koven    |
| Chantez Riez, Dermez (in French)           | Gounod         |
| Lullaby                                    | Ray W. Wingate |
| (dedicated to Miss Chipman)                |                |
| Oh Dry Those Tears                         | Del Riego      |
| Violin Obligato by Gustav Hammerstrom      |                |
| IV   |                |
| Carissima                                  | Penn           |
| Last Rose of Summer                        | Flotoac        |
| The Cry of Rachel                          | Salter         |
| Ray W. Wingate at the piano                |                |

## COLLEGE POLITICS

Various student elections are to occur this week and in the last month of school. Let's try to keep our politics, reasonably clean. Let's vote for a man because we are convinced that he is the man for the place, not because we happen to belong to the same organization or frat. We are aiming at student government for the students and by the students and we cannot afford to let prejudice affect the clarity of our judgment. We want capable men and women regardless of their affiliations to fill the administrative and executive offices which it is in our power to give them. Let's be careful, then, whom we choose.

## FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

The Varsity football schedule as announced today by Manager Crawford and ratified by the athletic directors, calls for seven games. The schedule is the heaviest played in years and will give the students a chance to show their boasted college spirit and worth. The season will open with Geneseo Normal at Alfred and close with Thiel College at Greenville, Pa, on Thanksgiving day. St. Bonaventure, our old rivals, come to Alfred for the first time in several years and Hobart will be played Election day at Hornell. Second team games will be arranged next fall with neighboring high schools.

The manager wishes to announce that an assistant manager will not be appointed but a competitive plan will be used. All those who wish to try out for this position are requested to report to the manager.

The schedule is as follows:

- Sept. 25.—Geneseo at Alfred.
- Oct. 2.—St. Bonaventure at Alfred.
- Oct. 9 ?—Frosh vs. Sophs.
- Oct. 16.—N. Y. S. A. at Alfred.
- Oct. 23.—Mansfield at Mansfield.
- Nov. 3.—Hobart at Hornell.
- Nov. 13.—Thiel at Alfred.
- Nov. 26.—Thiel at Greenville, Pa.

## SUMMER SCHOOL

Plans for Summer School are progressing finely, a fairly large registration is already assured and a successful session is anticipated. It is hoped by those in charge that all students, alumni and friends will do all in their power to make the Summer School a success. It is a great opportunity for students with entrance conditions to work them off, or for old students to revisit their Alma Mater and at the same time do some summer work.





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### ACADEMY VS. ALMOND

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Almond	A. B.	R.	1 B.	P. O.	A.	E.
Ferry, r. f.	5	1	1		1	1
Clark, p.	5			1	8	2
Palmer, s. s.	5			1		3
Borchard, 3	5					1
H. Borchard, 4				9		
Wyse 1	3	1		10	1	2
O. Ferry 2	4	1		2		2
Carter, l. f.	4	2	1			
Brown, c. f.	4	2	1	1		1
Totals	39	7	3	24	10	12

Two-base hits, Shean, Poole, Ayars.

Three-base hits, Vars.

Sacrifice hits, G. Tefft.

Base on balls, off Clark 3; off Shean 1.

Struck out, by Clark 6; by Shean 5.

Wild pitches, Clark; Shean 3.

Hit by pitcher, by Clark 4.

Time—1:50.

Umpire—F. Tefft.

The next game will be with Andover at Alfred, Tuesday, May 12, at 3:30.

### Y. W. C. A.

The leader on Sunday night was Miss Ruth Hunt. Mrs. B. C. Davis was present and gave us a most interesting talk on "The Ideal American Woman."

She spoke of how every girl when in the Grammar School had an ideal woman. "It might have been a teacher, an older girl or an older woman. This ideal is not your ideal today because you yourself have changed and therefore your ideals have changed.

Next Mrs. Davis told us four things she would have in her ideal, leaving other qualities to be mentioned by the girls.

These four were:

1. She must be educated.
2. She must be helpful.
3. She must be up-to-date, that is in knowledge of current events.
4. She must be a Christian woman.

### N. Y. S. A. STOCK JUDGING CONTEST

One of the features at the Alfred Track Meet on May 20th, will be a stock judging contest under the supervision of N. Y. S. A. The rules and regulations are as follows:

1. Each institution entering the contest shall have its team made up of three eligible students from that institution.

2. There will be two classes of contestants—teams from high schools having "A" an Agricultural course and "B" no Agricultural course.

#### Animals to be Judged

The classes to be judged shall be made up of three pure bred Holstein cows.

Method I. The animals shall be judged according to Cornell score cards, 50 points out of a possible 100 being allowed for scoring.

Method II. The animals shall be placed by comparison as 1, 2 and 3 according to her value as a dairy type, 25 points will be allowed for this placing.

Method III. A write-up, not to exceed 200 words, giving reasons for placing shall count 25 points.

#### Time

Forty-five minutes will be allowed for scoring and placing and fifteen minutes for the write-up.

#### Prizes

A banner will be given by the New York State School of Agriculture to the team in each class winning the highest total points. A book on stock judging will also be given to the individual student in each class, making the highest total score.

Up-to-date the following schools have entered for the contest:

Class A—Little Valley and LeRoy High Schools.

Class B—Wellsville H. S., Canisteo H. S., Alfred Academy.

Correspondence, relative to the contest, has also been received from Scio and three schools in Cattaraugus County.

The judges of the contest will be Farm Bureau Agent F. C. Smith, Prof. DeVoe Meade and Superintendent E. E. Poole.

### REGAN PITCHING SOME

Our man Regan is still pitching like a king for Cornell. The Sunday's issue of the Buffalo Express contains a Cornell write-up which states that Regan is pitching a heady game and Cornell is willing to admit that his head and good left arm play for more than half in putting Cornell out of a tough position.

### COUNTRY LIFE CLUB

The regular meeting of the Country Life Club was held on Thursday evening. A goodly number were in attendance to enjoy the program, which was as follows:

School Song—We Have Arrived

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Piano Solo Mrs. C. B. Blanchard

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Debate—Resolved "That President Wilson has dealt wisely with the Mexican Situation"

Affirmative—Harold L. Peet, Mrs. Wm. Buck, Arthur Booth

Negative—Howard F. Bowles, Nora Blowers, Harry Anderson

All, who were present, agreed that this was one of the best meetings ever held at Country Life Club. The debate was on a subject of vital interest to our country at this time and beside the entertainment furnished by it, the members of the Club were benefitted by the broad consideration of the topic, that resulted from the research of the participants. The judges rendered a decision in favor of the affirmative party.

After the program, the members, without any persuasion, wended their footsteps toward the third floor, where our ever hospitable Domestic Science Department contributed to the evening's entertainment with a "Sugaring Off" party. A number of lively games stimulated the appetites of the members present. The sap seemed to be flowing in abundance and it was a merry gathering that disbanded with cheers for their hosts on the upper story of Ag Hall.

### BUFFALO GAME CALLED OFF ON ACCOUNT OF WEATHER

Rain and mud effectually prevented the playing of the game here with the University of Buffalo scheduled for Monday afternoon. The Buffalo players arrived at noon only to return in the morning without playing. The game promised to be interesting and the management, teams and prospective spectators were alike, disappointed.

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# N. Y. S. A. NEWS

## N. Y. S. A. CAMPUS

Lynn Langworthy, '14, attended Country Life Club last Thursday evening.

Miss Cheesman was called home Friday on account of illness of her brother.

Some elm trees have lately been set out, along the walks by the state barns.

H. E. Austin, instructor in dairying during '12-'13, was in town Friday.

Many applications of prospective students for next year have been received.

Ivan Adams, '15, who is employed at Perry, N. Y., recently visited Roy Clark of Syracuse.

Director Wright will be at Cornell next Friday and Saturday attending the dedication of the new Forestry building.

Mr. A. J. Nicoll and C. A. Maynard, members of the Board of Control of the newly authorized school of Agriculture at Delhi, N. Y., were visitors of the Ag School last Wednesday.

John E. Middaugh, a short course student at N. Y. S. A. during the winter of 1911-12, died at his home in Belmont on May 4th. The funeral occurred on Saturday, President Davis officiating.

Prof. Place had the floor at chapel last Thursday. He performed, as he expressed it, "His annual bird stunt." The professor distributed his enviable col-

lection of feathered beauties among the audience and then proceeded to discuss with the art of a master, the identification, habits and songs of the various birds represented.

No comment on Prof. Place's entertainment is needed by any one, who has ever attended N. Y. S. A., except perhaps that it was typical of him.

## CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION

What is faith? How can we strengthen it? These are specimens of the questions which Miss Angeline Wood explained and answered last Sunday evening. In the open meeting, opinions were exchanged as to how we showed our faith in our everyday life and how it effected those about us. The weather being pleasant, a goodly number were present and are anxiously awaiting the chance to attend meetings lead by other members of the faculty.

## N. Y. S. A. ALUMNI NOTES

Harry Byers, '13, has accepted a good position on Maple Grove Dairy Farm at Durhamville, Oneida Co., which is owned by N. C. Perry and managed by Marion Dillman, a Special at N. Y. S. A., '12-'13.

Harley Robinson, '14, and Ernest Button, '14, are testing cows at Syracuse at present.

Lewis Crocker, '14, has been elected school trustee in his district near Fredonia.

## A CAMPAIGN

For what purpose? To boost N. Y. S. A. How? That's for all Aggies to suggest.

Dean Bailey, in his speech at the Commencement exercises of the 1913 class, suggests an excellent idea, whereby schools could be uplifted to a remarkable extent by suggestions and criticisms from the alumnus of the institution.

The Ag staff of the Fiat Lux proposes to promote this idea. The editor solicits correspondence in regard to the subject from not only the alumnus, but every person who has ever been a student at N. Y. S. A. Do you know that the most progressive business concerns of today are asking for and actually paying for original ideas from their employees, providing of course they can be of practical use to them? The benefits therefrom have been inestimable.

Do you realize that N. Y. S. A. could be carried to an even higher plane of efficiency through a similar agency? Unquestionably the students of N. Y. S. A., past and present, have reaped benefits from the experience and resulting suggestions from those who have gone before. Are you willing to contribute the results of your experience and observations at N. Y. S. A. to the uplift of your Alma Mater, for the benefit of future students? What is your duty?

In order to stimulate your interest, in this idea, we submit a few questions below for your consideration and perhaps to develop a line of thought.

Do you think the school should require students, who have not been brought up on the farm, to stay here all year round for at least one year and work during the growing season on state farm? They would then go out with a knowledge of the practical as well as the theoretical side of Agriculture. Consider that it is difficult to find many farms where all the plans advocated here are carried out and value of what is taught proven? What additional equipment would be needed on the state farm to make this suggestion possible. Should the state

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We think we can give a little inside information on the Mexi question. We have received a tip from the Navy department in the form of a letter from Lieut. S. P. Pinkensken, very respectfully yours, (until we get you) inviting us to enlist in the Marine service. This can mean but one thing; we should never have been called on unless there were something doing; that is certain. Ergo, ein Krieg ist im Anzug.

We are torn by conflicting emotions: Fiat Lux must go on; is it our duty to assist in maintaining the august dignity of our Government on the bloody deck of a superdreadnaught or to use our editorial influence in the same cause? The pen is mightier than the sword and anyway we might not get a sword; therefore we feel that we must remain behind with the Government devoting ourself to the tasks that require a modest and unassuming heroism that is quite as great in its way as that of the brave re-

cruting officer who is sticking so nobly to his post through these perilous times.

The editors of this eminently successful and predominantly magnificent medium of news transmission are seriously contemplating a method for "corralling" news. A small, round, square box with the inscription "Fiat Lux Gossip" will be attached to the wall of the Carnegie Library vestibule. You will assist our gossip editor—Mr. Lew Crawford—greatly, if you will place in this box the written records of the actions and proceedings of students over the week-end. We expect anything. All will be taken thankfully, except, perhaps, the gum wads, buttons and old rags that will no doubt find their way into this galaxy of news, gossip, scandal, etc., etc.

We find that there is a great quantity of good reading material in the library that comes from the pens and brains of students in other institutions of learning throughout our land. It is interesting to note the different view points, the different problems and the novel methods of attack.

Some of the editorials deal with athletic difficulties, others with general problems, yet we notice a similarity to our own ideals of student thought and student spirit. It is a fine thing to keep in touch with the world at large, but remember we are in college and colleges have a little world of their own. "Keep up" on other colleges and their "dope" or you'll be behind the times.

It is very interesting to watch the excitement at our local fires. We had a small but nevertheless, well attended hen house fire on South Main last Tuesday evening. The Eta Phi Gamma fraternity came in a body. Burdick Hall also was present and evidenced a rather drowsy interest. The Brick damsels fluttered in through the darkness and watched the roasting fowls with watering mouths. When it was found that nothing further could be done in the line of life saving, the curiously clad collection dispersed.

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**CAMPUS**

Clarence Clark, '06, is in town for a few days.

R. C. Burdick spent the week-end in Independence.

Jessamine Fenner week-ended at her home in Almond.

Ina Withey spent the week-end at her home in Allentown.

Footlighters are rushing to put the play on, on schedule time.

Don't forget the movies Wednesday night. Special music.

Lewis Crawford spent the week-end at his home in Cameron Mills.

The German Club will meet with Miss Randolph, Thursday evening.

Pres. Davis attended the Ministers' Meeting in Hornell, Monday.

Howard Brainard of Andover was a visitor in town last Wednesday.

Leland Coon, '14, of the Music department, will give a recital June 6.

Miss Susan Hooker and brother Lewis spent Saturday and Sunday in Nunda.

A large class went to Hornell, Sunday evening to receive Confirmation.

Earl Burdick and Coral Barney spent the week-end at their homes in Belmont.

The Orophilian public session will occur at Memorial Hall, Saturday evening.

Robert and William Garwood have been at their home in Garwoods for a few days, called there by the illness of their mother.

The Assembly this week will be given up to the student body for revision of the campus rules, adoption of a new student association constitution, and such other business as may come before it.

The Misses Wallace, Kerr and Williams, spent the week-end with Miss Michler at her home in Hornell, attending the play at the Shattuck.

Professor Bennehoff will deliver a stereopticon lecture on "Sex Hygiene," Tuesday evening at eight o'clock, at the Setinheim. The lecture is primarily intended for the class in Anatomy but all others, students and townspeople, who are interested will be welcome.

Movies every Wednesday night.

Much entertaining was done Monday evening. There are compensations for the weather.

Christeen Keim, '14, returned to her home in Olean, Thursday morning for a week's rest, and to recover from an attack of rheumatism following her recent illness.

The Sophomores should make their choices as to major and minor subjects as soon as possible. Miss Little and Professor Norwood will be glad to consult with those who are undecided as to their future work and to receive reports.

A large number of students and townspeople attended the production of "Within The Law," at the Shattuck opera house in Hornell, Saturday evening. The play was put on by the American Play Co. and was by far the best of the season. The large auto bus of the Hornell-Bath line was pressed into service, to accommodate the Alfred delegation.

**ASSEMBLY ADDRESS**

Wednesday, May 6

Professor Wingate of the music department gave the assembly last week a rare treat in the form of a musical program including the following vocal numbers: solo from Elijah; Aria from The Season; Cato's Advice, Huhn; Negro Sermon, Cook; A Tragic Tale, Slater; Trouble, Woodman.

**ALFRED BOY TO THE FRONT**

The following from the Nebraska State Journal concerning a son of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Whitford of this village, will be read with interest:

"A. C. Whitford, a fellow in the department of geology, has severed his connection with the University of Nebraska in order to take a position with Princeton University. During the field season of 1913, Mr. Whitford completed a geological survey of half of Brown County, collected several hundred samples of alkali waters in that vicinity, and made a large collection of fossil animals.

"In the work with Princeton University he will be sent on a tour through southeastern Sioux county, where he will collect material for the Princeton museum. Mr. Whitford will have special opportunities for study at that university which, are not afforded at Nebraska."

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**Article I. Name**

The name of this organization shall be the Students' Association of Alfred University.

**Article II. Purpose**

Realizing that the faculty have supreme authority over all matters connected with student life and yet knowing that they are willing to co-operate with the students to promote the welfare of the school, the students have organized themselves into the Students' Association of Alfred University in order to develop a wise and intelligent self-control, to preserve and regulate beneficial customs and traditions of Alfred, to have charge of and control all college elections and to assume, whenever expedient, the control of student affairs, all subject to the further provision of this constitution.

**Article III. Membership**

Section 1. All persons enrolled as students in the College of Liberal Arts and in the New York State School of Ceramics of Alfred University shall be considered members of this Association.

Section 2. No tax shall be levied for the support of this organization except as may be voted by the Association for any purpose that the Association may deem necessary.

**Article IV. Organization**

Section 1. The Students' Association shall be headed and represented by a Senate consisting of five members, three from the Senior class and two from the Junior class. There shall be in addition to these one consulting member from each of the lower classes who shall have no vote.

Section 2. The Senate shall have a President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer, and such other officers as it may deem necessary. The President, Vice President, and Secretary and Treasurer shall also act as officers of the Students' Association.

**Article V. Elections**

Section 1. On the second Tuesday in May of each year the Junior and Sophomore classes shall elect their representatives to the Senate. Continued on page seven

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furnish board or books as compensation for the required labor? Much of the work on the farm could be done with the student help and think of the many experiments they could carry on.

This is only one idea. How many more there are. What about the different courses offered in the school? From your knowledge of them, how could they be improved? What essential equipment is there lacking? The gardening class in the spring term has the opportunity of working outside. Should the state provide a larger greenhouse, so that the gardening classes during the winter would have more chance to do gardening work even though it is on a smaller scale than out-of-door work.

The field is prepared. It is up to you, yes you, to sow the seeds of thought, then see that they germinate quickly and mail the harvest to the editor. Behold, the time is at hand. Do it now.

### N. Y. S. A. CHAPEL TALKS

N. Y. S. A. had the pleasure of listening to President Davis at chapel period, last Tuesday. The topic, which he discussed, was, "The Development of Political Morality."

Pres. Davis stated that some people think there is a degeneracy in political morality, that it is worse this century than it was in the last. They have an idea that in the pioneer days, when the country was poor, morals were

best and as it has become richer the political morals have degraded. The opinion seems to be that everybody in government affairs is working for their own selfish benefit. The speaker referred to the impeachment of one of our governors and the imprisonment of a New York Senator recently, as examples of the influence that causes such beliefs.

President Davis does not agree with those who hold such views and in an extensive comparison of the types of people existing today with those of the past, he convinced his audience that his opinion is based on good grounds.

The speaker said: "Where there is no temptation to steal, public moneys are not likely to be stolen." Such was the case in by-gone days when the government did not have much money to steal because the people had all the money and the government was trying to get it from them. Evidence of the latter is shown by the letters of credit issued in 1773 for which four years later, the government agreed to redeem at only forty cents on the dollar, and later on only gave one cent on the dollar. Money was also raised by lottery and for ten years after the issue of the lottery tickets, the officials discussed whether they would pay these or not. By a compromise, of the two parties existing at the time, the people agreed to pay all these old debts providing the government would locate the proposed new capitol at Washington.

Another instance of corrupt morals pointed out, was the case of

Robert Morris, the great financier of Revolutionary times. Morris, it will be remembered, borrowed money on his own personal credit, from France, to help support Washington's army. Later years found Morris in prison for debt, yet he has always been considered a patriot.

Graft did not make its appearance to any extent until after the Civil War, which gave men an opportunity to build up large industries. Railroads, particularly the Erie, were built up and monopolized at this time. The men controlling the Erie used it as a tool to get control of the gold in the United States treasury. The Fisks and Goulds, through the agency of the President's brother-in-law, influenced Grant to give them a means of securing that object.

In recent years, temptation has come to political officials to embezzle political funds, though they pretend to be instituting a system to eliminate such practices.

Considering the greater temptations put before men today. President Davis upholds that political morals are better today than ever. Needless to say, the faculty and students derived great benefit from President Davis' talk and are looking forward to the privilege of listening to him again before school closes.

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# CONSTITUTION OF THE STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION OF ALFRED UNIVERSITY

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more classes shall meet and nominate candidates for the Student Senate.

Section 2. Each class shall place in nomination twice as many candidates as it is entitled to members on the Senate for the following year, namely, six for the Junior class and four for the Sophomore class. Nominations shall be made by formal ballot. A list of the nominations shall be placed on the bulletin board immediately after the nominations are made.

Section 3. On the following Wednesday the election shall take place in a meeting of the Student body. This meeting shall be presided over by the President of the Senate. He shall appoint tellers to take and count ballots.

Section 4. Elections for each class shall be held separately. Ballots shall be provided for each with the names of the candidates written thereon. Each student is entitled to vote for as many candidates as there are members to be elected from each class, which is done by marking off the names of those for whom they do not wish to vote.

Section 5. The three candidates in the Junior class and the two in the Sophomore class having the largest number of votes respectively, providing each has a majority of all the votes cast, shall be declared elected.

Section 6. In case the required number of candidates do not receive a majority of all the votes cast, balloting shall continue until an election is made, the lowest being eliminated at each ballot.

Section 7. The Freshman class shall elect its consulting member some convenient time prior to May 25th of each year.

Section 8. The incoming class of the following year shall elect its consulting member some convenient time prior to October 1st.

Section 9. The President shall be elected on the Wednesday following the election of the Senators at a joint meeting of the retiring Senate and the newly elected Senate, presided over by the retiring President.

Section 10. The new Senate shall complete its own organization.

## Article VI. Eligibility

Section 1. The President of the Senate shall be a Senior and he shall have served on the Senate either as a Representative or as a Senator prior to his Senior year, provided individuals so qualified have been elected to positions in the Senate.

Section 2. Members of the Senate shall be eligible for re-election.

Section 3. No member or representative of the Senate shall lose his seat on account of a change in his college ranking.

Section 4. Three consecutive unexcused absences from meetings by any member shall terminate his membership. Excuses shall be presented to the Senate for acceptance or rejection.

Section 5. Any member is liable to impeachment for misconduct in office by a two-thirds vote of the Senate and can be removed from office by a two-thirds vote of the entire Students' Association.

**Article VII. Meetings of the Senate**  
Section 1. The Senate shall hold regular meetings each week at a time set by the Senate at the beginning of each year. All of the regular business must be performed at this time.

Section 2. Special meetings may be called by the President at any time.

Section 3. Three members shall constitute a quorum in these meetings provided both Junior and Senior classes are represented.

## Article VIII. Powers

Section 1. The President shall preside

at all meetings of the Senate, of the Association and at all mass meetings. In his absence the Vice President shall preside.

Section 2. The Secretary and Treasurer shall keep the minutes of all meetings of the Senate, of the Association and of all College Mass Meetings; he shall attend to the correspondence of the Association and perform such other duties as are usually performed by the Secretary of such an organization. He shall also have charge of such funds as are voted by the Association.

Section 3. The Senate shall have authority over all college customs and traditions; it shall organize and conduct all college Mass Meetings; it shall regulate and supervise student activities as stated in the constitution and regulations of student activities; it shall have complete charge of all student elections; it shall represent the Association in all its relations with the Faculty, Alumni, Trustees and other exterior bodies; it shall be authorized to use discretionary power in all matters requiring immediate action.

Section 4. The Student Senate shall have power to take cognizance of violation of the Campus Rules and shall be a Court of Last Resort in the interpretation of these rules as provided in the Campus Rules.

Section 5. The Senate shall deal with all cases involving violations of the Honor System as stated in the Honor System Constitution.

Section 6. It shall be the duty of the Senate to condemn any practice which may be deemed not in accord with the true college spirit; to summon to its meetings individuals indulging in such practice or violating Campus Rules, and in case of proven misconduct, to inflict penalties which it shall deem expedient.

Section 7. In all cases its power may extend to public censure of individuals or groups of individuals for misconduct.

## Article IX. Meetings

Section 1. All meetings of the Association, called for the purpose of elections and amending and revising the Constitution and By-Laws, shall be called by the President through a notice in the issue of the Fiat Lux preceding the meeting. All items to be considered shall be included in the announcement of the meeting.

Section 2. Special meetings may be held at the call of the President.

Section 3. Fifty members of the Association shall constitute a quorum at these meetings.

## Article X. Amendments

Section 1. This Constitution and By-Laws may be amended at any regular meeting, provided such amendments have been read before the Student body and published in the Fiat Lux one week ahead.

Section 2. The Athletic Association Constitution, the College Womans' Organization Constitution, the Honor System Constitution may be amended as stated in the different Articles under their respective Constitutions.

Section 3. The Campus Rules shall not be amended except during the month of May and prior to the date set for nominations and only in the manner herein-after provided.

Section 3a. The Junior and Sophomore classes, on recommendation of the Student Senate, shall each appoint a committee consisting of three members for the purpose of amending or supplementing these rules. Such measures as they adopt shall become a part of said rules when adopted by the association.

Section 4. This Constitution shall go into effect upon its ratification by the Student Body.

## BY-LAWS

### Chapter I

#### Campus Rules and Regulations

Article I. The Campus Rules shall be

incorporated into the By-Laws of the Constitution of the Students' Association of Alfred University.

Article II. Section 7. Amendment. The final sentence shall read: "In addition to this shall be included the Park, Library Square, the Tennis Court and the Athletic Field."

Section 13. Only Seniors may wear the College Seal.

Section 14. All Freshmen when walking in company with an upper-classman shall carry any books and parcels belonging to said upper-classman.

Section 15. No Freshman fellow shall walk on the campus with a Freshman girl.

Article III. To Section 2 shall be added the words: "and tug of war."

Section 5. In the tug of war contest an equal number of men shall be selected from each class, and said contest shall take place as designated by the Senate.

Article IV. Section 1. The words: "five miles from Alfred" shall be changed to "fifteen miles from Alfred."

Article V. Section 4. The words "fifteen in number" shall be made to read "ten in number."

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### Student Senate—

Frank M. Hill, '14, Pres.  
Bessie F. Bacon, '15, Sec.

### Class Presidents—

1914, Ivan L. Fiske  
1915, Mildred F. Saunders  
1916, Correl A. Barney  
1917, Harold Saunders

### Athletic Association—

Ivan L. Fiske, '14, Pres.  
Elsie Thrall, '16, Sec.

### Y. M. C. A.—

Ford B. Barnard, '16, Pres.  
E. E. Saunders, '17, Sec.

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M. Grover Babcock, '15, Mgr.

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Raymond C. Burdick, '14, Mgr.

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Aaron M. Coon, '15, Asst. Mgr.

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### N. Y. S. A.

### Senate—

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Ruth E. Boynton, '14, Sec.

### Athletic Association—

Earl Sardeson, '14, Pres.  
R. Griffiths, '14, Sec.

### Class Presidents—

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1916, George Brainard

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**Cast of Characters**

Wal Tildin, the store keeper  
Mildred Whitney  
Mandy, his wife Eunice Anderson  
Uncle Josh Mary Saunders  
Tip Perkins Hazel Parker  
Myry, his wife Ruth Watson  
Betty, their little girl  
Dorothy Wells  
Si Rose Trenkle  
Artametia, his wife Leona Hoffman  
Pete Snodgrass, a bach Edna Jackson  
Jack Tolby Nellie Wells  
Miss Daisy Blossom, the school marm Hazel Perkins  
The Fallen Angels—  
Beelzebub Eva Witter  
Satan Hazel Parker  
Belial Ruth Watson  
Mammon Jessica Davis  
Molach Dorothy Wells

**ACT I**

Place—Hell Time—Eternal Night  
Fallen Angels cast from heaven, plot revenge.

**ACT II****Scene 1**

Place—Punkin Hook Store Time—later  
The plot thickens  
Revenge under motion

Mammon arrives  
The curiosity of the farmers aroused

**Scene 2**

Place—Same Time—Two nights later  
The women get wise

**Scene 3**

Place—Grange Hall Time—Same Night  
The women foil the devil  
Result—Happiness

**ACT III**

Place—Same as Act I Time—A little later  
Consternation in hell over Mammon's report  
Grand finale

At the business session held after the program, the following officers were elected for the remainder of the year:

President, Fucia Randolph  
Vice President, Luella Eells  
Secretary, Leona Hoffman  
Critic, Mildred Saunders  
Tellers, Edna Jackson and Hazel Parker.

**OH YOU FROSH**

History Prof.—“Why are the Middle Ages known as the Dark Ages?”

Wise Frosh—Because there were so many knights.”

**ALLEGHANIAN**

Saturday evening the new officers of the lyceum assumed their respective responsibilities, and the program of the evening was presented. But owing to the fact that the various public sessions take up half of the remaining Saturday nights of the semester, there will probably be only one or two more regular meetings of the lyceum before Commencement. Therefore the Allies should get together and make these sessions worth while.

During the regular course of business, the lyceum voted to send flowers to C. S. Barker at the Wellsville Sanitarium in remembrance of his past active interest in the lyceum.

The session was necessarily short owing to the rehearsal of the Operetta “Princess Chrysanthemum,” which is scheduled, if nothing intervenes, for the Saturday evening of May 23.

**CERAMIC NOTES**

A number of trees and small shrubs have been received by the School. These will be planted about the premises and will add to their beauty.

The New York State Ceramic Society met at the home of Prof. Binns last Thursday. Forrest Tefft, '14, presented a paper on “Eulectics.”

On Wednesday morning the Juniors and Seniors of the Technical Course will start on a trip to inspect the various plants associated with the Ceramic industry. They will visit Corning, Buffalo and Niagara Falls, and will return by the end of the week.

A shipment of “green ware” that is, unburned ware, has been received by the School from Syracuse University to be burned.

The Juniors are trying their hand at flower painting. The Sophomores and Freshmen are working on groups of still life. The students are showing quite an aptitude for this kind of work.

Prof. Binns has completed two garden jars. A small tree will be planted in each and placed at the entrance to the School. This will improve the appearance of the entrance to the School very much.

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**ALFRED IN THE 50'S**

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The boys and girls who went to Alfred were certainly a verdant lot in their first term. It was surprising how quickly a mental awakening put a polish on the exterior form and manners. An awkward, homely slouch of a boy, soon became a bright presentable youth, quite at home in any one's drawing room. In my day, the most of the boys and girls who attended school at Alfred for a few terms formed attachments which ended in matrimonial alliances, and I do not know of a single marriage which had its inception at Alfred which afterwards had a history in divorce courts! I first met my wife at Alfred, but we did not enter on the courtship period of our acquaintance until several years later.

**ALUMNI NOTES**

The class of 1909 is planning a reunion for next summer.

Prof. Clarence Clarke, who has been teaching in the Idaho State Normal School at Lewiston, Idaho, is visiting his mother in town.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Langford C. Whitford, a daughter, Barbara, May 8.

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