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FOOTLIGHT CLUB'S ONE ACT PLAYS

High Class Presentation Thursday
Evening

"The Footlight Club presents four one-act plays"—so read the play program for last Thursday night. Alfred is following the lead of London and New York in trying out this innovation. In Alfred as in other metropolises, the experiment met undoubted success. If any one thinks that one-act plays are but a step removed from an uproarious farce or are fabricated of the stuff that movie melodrama is made, he should learn his mistake instantly. Perhaps it is the Irish plays and players who have raised the short play to the rank of dead earnestness. It would be hard to conceive a more over-whelmingly tragic effect than that imparted by Lady Gregory's "Before the Gaol Gate" in its swift and sure unrolling of its tragedy. Probably the short play like the short story, has come to abide as something not to tickle the palate but as a kind of writing to make people think and feel.

In every respect the choice of plays put on at Firemens Hall last Thursday night kept the level established hitherto, while the pieces themselves in mood, situation, setting and character delineation offered great variety. The whole program was unique and each play differed from its fellow as summer does from winter. In the first piece, "According to Darwin," the interest centered in the idea that charity, commonly supposed unqualifiedly benevolent, may curse the lives it touches. In the second and third plays the chief interest resided in the people themselves. In the last play, "The Maker of Dreams," the magnet consisted in the sheer beauty of its light-heartedness, the melodious language, the

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LEGISLATORS VISIT STATE SCHOOLS

Interest of Appropriations

The Hon. John Knight, State Senator from this district and the Hon. Wm. Duke of Wellsville stopped over Friday at Alfred University and inspected the School of Agriculture, the School of Ceramics, and several of the college buildings. They expressed themselves as much pleased with their visit and the work being done here. In addition it was promised that everything possible would be done toward securing the passage of an appropriation bill of \$45,000 for a new demonstration building much needed by the State School of Agriculture. It seems to be the policy of the governor this year, however, to limit appropriations for new buildings to the most urgent cases.

MOVIES VERY PRODUCTIVE FOR SWEATER FUND

First Athletic Council Benefit
Show a Big Success

While the large audience was watching "Brewster spend his Million" at the Athletic Council's first movie show, Saturday evening the students who are behind the plan were counting up the proceeds, which left them a profit which was much better than they had expected.

The hall was warm in spite of the low gas and the students and townspeople had filled the house. The move was a success in every way, never before were the pictures shown better and more smoothly, never was the audience so good humored, and after paying twenty cents at that.

The management has arranged to have some young men come along with the pictures each week, part way anyhow, and contribute to the liveliness of the entertainment with diverse methods of

amusement. It is reported that the young men will next week come from the Eta Phi House and one wild rumor has it that in the near future the young men will be none less than young women from the Brick.

INTERSCHOLASTIC MEET, MAY 16

Manager C. M. Potter '18 Sends
Out Announcements

The announcements of Ninth Annual Interscholastic Field and Track Meet to be held Wednesday, May 16, are on the press and will be mailed to the schools of Western New York and Pennsylvania within the week.

As yet no innovations have been planned, to increase the interest in this big event in Alfred's school year, but if as much enthusiasm is manifested as was shown last year, it may be necessary to curb interest rather than increase it.

Clifford M. Potter '18 is manager of the event and from now on will be one of the busiest men on the campus. The success of the Meet, while more or less dependent upon him, cannot be assured except by the hearty cooperation of all the students.

The Meet was inaugurated nine years ago for a sort of sub-freshmen day in which to advertise the school and get the students of the local high schools acquainted directly with Alfred. The Meet therefore may be the largest in history, the most successful financially and establish the best records, but from the point of view of its founders, will not be a success unless the participants go away feeling that Alfred was glad to see them, show them about and would more than gladly welcome them as an addition to the student body. Here is where all can contribute to make the 1917 Meet the most productive of new Alfred students.

"THE LABOR EVANGELIST" TO SPEAK AT ASSEMBLY

Rev. D. L. Schultz of Pittsburg
Tomorrow at Ten

At the Assembly hour tomorrow, Alfred will be privileged to hear the Rev. D. L. Schultz of Pittsburg, Pa. Dr. Schultz is endorsed by the American Baptist Home Mission Society as "The Labor Evangelist."

As pastor of a Pittsburg church, Dr. Schultz became interested in the miners' strike in the Greensburg district. The coal companies had driven the families of the strikers from their houses into the road, from where they were taken and housed in tents erected on land rented by the United Mine Workers of America. Even the little he could do to relieve their acute sufferings and hardship gave him such an influence over these foreigners that they flocked to hear his messages from all parts of the troubled areas.

Realizing the great opportunities for an evangelist among the working people, the Baptist Home Mission board appointed Dr. Schultz as a "Labor Evangelist," and he comes full of interesting first-hand knowledge of conditions in the great industrial regions which are seldom, if ever, justly reported in print.

RECITAL OF MUSIC DEPARTMENT STUDENTS

Excellent Program Given

The large crowd that gathered at the Student's Recital, last Wednesday evening, received a rare treat in male solo work. Director Wingate of the Music Department, planned the event as unique in this particular, the only women on the program rendering piano solos. The recital was shortened by the sickness and absence from town of some of the numbers, but

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charm of posture, and the tinge of sadness. It was beautiful as the morning rose-bud dew-pearled that tomorrow is cast into the oven.

"According to Darwin," is almost brutal in its truthfulness. Perhaps the effect could have been softened without losing its poignancy if the triumph of modern surgery and charity, a living corpse, had been kept more back stage. The story:—A drunken fellow falls from a ladder, is taken to the hospital, where a "successful" operation saves his life only to make him a helpless cripple. In this condition he goes back to his brother and sister (they are penniless slum-dwellers). Without him, Betty and Tom can just manage to make an honorable living. With another mouth to feed, Tom is finally driven from home and Betty to a life of shame. The sheriff comes at last to evict them. What becomes of the cripple? The law cannot throw him into the street. This question the play did not answer. The acting was adequately done: it culled no attention to itself as acting, except in the thankless role of the cripple. It was a hard job,—almost as pleasant as working in a dissecting room—but roundly done by Mr. Clausen. Five acts of the terrible tensity of this short piece would have put the whole audience. Five acts of the terrible tensity of this short piece would have put the whole audience in a sanitarium.

"A Marriage Proposal" is a Russian play by Anton Tekeoff. A young peasant goes to a neighbor to propose to his daughter. Instead of the conventional billing and cooing, he twice embroils himself with the daughter, first over disputed land and second concerning the dogs of the respective families. The situation is complicated by repeated attacks of palpitation of the heart in the suitor, brought on by the excitement of quarreling and uncertainty concerning the love-suit. This play brought out strikingly the likeness and the differences in human beings American and Russian. It showed off the Russian peasant in his loquacity, his

contankerousness, his distaste for action. If an outlandish comparison is permissible, the give and take in this piece—and it is undoubtedly true to life—bore a striking resemblance to the hurly-burly rough and tumble play of young Scotch Collie pups. They mauled each other, linguistically speaking, unstintingly without ever striking a physical blow, and in the end, after nearly expiring from a hard attack of palputation, the young chap got the girl. What a household that would be, where disputes would be the main courses and a calm settlement the desert! We are assured that the picture which the little comedy gives of Russian life is in the main true. It ought, therefore, to help us to understand better what manner of folks these Russian peasants are. Mr. Rixford played the role of the country farmer, pleasurably and with restraint; in the part of the young neighbor-suitor Mr. Blumenthal did the best historic work we have seen him do and Mary Saunders made an ideal disputatious country girl. It evidently can not be said of the peasant girls of Russia, as was averred of the dogs, that they have a short lower jaw. Realistic setting and costuming added greatly to the effectiveness of the play.

Can we say in all sincerity, "Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us"? This was the theme of the third playlet, "Pater Noster," translated from the French of Francois Coppee. The Cure, a friend of the poor and needy, has been wantonly killed by the rabble during the troublous times of the Paris Commune in 1871. His sister, Mademoiselle Rose, embittered by the loss of her brother, and by the rank ingratitude of the commons, is on the point of throwing over her religious faith. The spiritual crisis comes when one of the self-same rabble takes refuge in her house and implores protection from the pursuing officers. Not until the wretch has appealed to her in the name of her sainted and beloved brother does her heart soften. She then gives the refugee her brother's priestly garb, tells the officers that he is her brother, and thus enables the

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COLLEGE JUNIORS SELECT IBSEN'S "DOLLS HOUSE"

The Junior committee finally announces the result of their somewhat arduous labors of the past few weeks. In the selection of "The Doll's House," by Henrik Ibsen as the class play, a most judicious and successful choice was made, especially since their task was rendered doubly difficult by the necessity of rejecting their first preference "The Cricket on the Hearth." Although the caste has not been picked as yet it is expected that the play will be given sometime in March.

"THE GLOOM HAS WENT"

Decisively Ousted in Bout at Firemens Hall

That funny, funny tall man with the gold tooth; and that little, little red nosed man with the deep voce; yes, and that round faced ukalele kid. They were all there in the sketch "Banishes the Gloom" at the Athletic Council's movie show. From the moment that they rolled onto the boards in a wheel-chair until they reluctantly left the spot-light after the last joke had been cracked and "cabbage split" (for that is one of the powers of music, you know) they were one large hit. What a great variety of moulds there must be to turn out two such products of diverse dimensions as the string with the gold tooth and the deep voiced man, and with a vague indescribable likeness at the same time.

The young men that come with the pictures next Saturday evening promise to be fully as good.

To any vaudeville circuit wishing to sign up a new, modern, scintillating, corruscating effervescent, ingenious, melodious sketch by three young men, let it write to George Blumenthal, manager of "Blumenthal, Murdock and Sherwood—the College Comedienes."

The tryout for the Junior play will occur next Thursday evening. All Juniors will kindly bear this in mind and be present without fail. The judges will be Profs. Porter and Hart and Dr. Titsworth.

GLIMPSES OF FLORIDA AND CUBA

President Davis Addresses Assembly

It seemed good to see President Davis in his accustomed chair in Assembly on Feb. 7, after such a long absence, and the student body was interested to hear of his trip through Florida and Cuba. The party was first introduced into the state of Florida by arrival in Jacksonville, and was much interested in the peculiar geological formations in the state. The President did his best to describe them although handicapped by a "lack of Prof. Bennehoff's vocabulary." The many artesian wells, indicative of underground rivers, the acres of oyster shells left by the Indians, through which the roads have been cut, and the coral keys that surround the peninsula. The educational system is a growing ideal which started soon after the civil war and promises to run a close race with the practices of the East.

For governmental purposes the island of Cuba has been divided into six provinces, each having its own governor and government. In educational matters, Cuba is very much behind the States. There are no public school buildings in Havanna, all attempts at teaching, being carried out in scattered rooms in city blocks, and the island supports no rural education. The principal way of maintaining the national government is by a lottery which takes place every ten days, netting the government about one hundred thousand dollars each time. Gambling runs riot in Cuba and even the poorest, of which there are a great many, stake their few pennies in hopes of winning a large prize.

PRESIDENT DAVIS ADDRESSES AG ASSEMBLY

The students of N. Y. S. A. were greeted last Thursday morning at Assembly by a very interesting talk given by President Davis. He related many of his personal experiences on his trip through Florida and Cuba, and discussed Agricultural conditions in general. He also spoke of the educational and governmental conditions in Cuba.

ALL TOGETHER NOW FOR THE GYMNASIUM

Buffalo Branch Advances the Davis Gym Fund

The long-needed gymnasium now loms up as a near probability. No student nor alumnus of Alfred needs to be told how much it is needed, nor how much it will mean to us. What a basketball team we can put on their toes, as soon as we have it! What corking indoor contests among ourselves and with other colleges will be staged.

The fund for this purpose was begun by the Buffalo Branch of Alfred Alumni, under the leadership of Senator Leonard W. H. Gibbs, and his wife, Jessie Mayne Gibbs, both loyal Alfred workers, two years ago, and at Commencement, 1915 a fund of \$1500 had been secured. This fund has now grown through further efforts, and the friends of the University feel that the time has come to make the undertaking complete—to make the Davis Gymnasium a concrete reality.

And it is to be a memorial of love and appreciation from all of us to our honored President, Boothe C. Davis. It is to be here to speak of his work, his devotion, his success, speak to those who come back to bless their Alma Mater, and to those who eagerly come here in the years to come, drinking at the fountains of learning and high idealism which flow deep and pure from Alfred's classic halls.

Let the younger Alumni make it their tribute. Who of us has not long realized a deep debt of

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was excellent in every way.

The program as given was:

Piano Solo—L'Elancee—Mazurka de
Salon—Wachs

Ruth Canfield
Dear Heart of Mine
Curtis Tatje

O Press Thy Cheek
J. Clyde Preston

Over the Ocean Blue
Carlos Camenga

Eyes That Used to Gaze in Mine
Lohr

J. Norbert McTighe

The Old Mother
C. E. Dievendorf
Requiem
Homer
Jessie D. Vars
At Dawning
Cadman
Ralph Mohny
Banjo Song
Homer
Alfred Hamilton
Blow, Blow Thou Winter Wind
Sarjeant
Burtis Murdock
The Flower That You Gave Me
Barry
Edward Saunders
Piano Solo—Mazurka Silver Stars
Bohm
Beatrice Wilcox

Sutton Fills in Kanakadea Picture Gaps

One might have thought that a movie company was in town last Friday, when Mr. Sutton of Hornell came up to take those pictures for the Kanakadea which did not turn out well in the bunch that White took. Even though the thermometer was close to zero, men in basket ball suits ran the streets, glee club members paraded in dress-suits and fraternity groups appeared for to be took.

Dr. Snaveley Secured For Summer School

The Summer School management has been decidedly fortunate in securing the services of Dr. Guy E. Snaveley, Registrar and Professor of Romance Languages of Allegheny College, Meadville, Pa., for the session of 1917. Dr. Snaveley will teach Spanish and French. This gives promise of some very strong work in these courses.

Orophilian Parliamentary Practice

The Oro meeting held Saturday evening was devoted to parliamentary practice. Prof. J. N. Norwood acted as chairman and instructed the members in many of the fundamental rules as addressing the chair, making a motion, amending a motion, rising to a point of order, and going in to and out of the committee of the whole.

Three new members were taken into the lyceum, A. J. Snell, Roy Witter and Paul DeMott.

LIBRARY NOTES JANE ADDAMS

Jane Addams, in her new book—"The Long Road to Woman's Memory"—considers in the light of her own reminiscences the

theory of race memory. The question is discussed from woman's viewpoint solely, and she illustrates it with numerous anecdotes. There is pathos, but there is also cheer running through it like a current from the warm sympathy of the author. The book concludes with a chapter on her own personal interpretative memory with Egypt as a background. The book is original and very interesting.

Wayland Negus '20 was called to his home in Geneva, Sunday, by the death of his grandmother.

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Senior Announcements Ordered

The senior class of the college has placed its order for a most tasty and attractive announcement with which "The Class of Nineteen Hundred Seventeen, Alfred University, announces the Exercises of Commencement Week, June second to seventh, Alfred, New York." The folder will also bear an embossed seal in purple and gold.

It is hoped that by next year the way of thinking will have evolved sufficiently to prompt the class of Nineteen Hundred Eighteen to call themselves from Alfred College.

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TEACHERS' AGENCIES AND TEACHING

The grim reality of the fact that their college course is nearly over, that the protection of college halls is to be theirs but little longer and that they will soon enter into an attempt to wrest a living from the more or less cold and unresponsive world, was never clearer to the minds of the Seniors than at present. For, during the past few weeks they have been under a regular fusillade of circulars from Teachers' Agencies. It seems as though nearly everyone who knows of one vacancy and twenty-five possible applicants is trying to collect a two dollar registration fee from each applicant and a five per cent commission from the successful one of the twenty-five.

No profession offers greater chance for social service than that of the teacher. Because of its great demand, ease of access and lack of apprenticeship, it offers a simple solution to the graduate's job seeking problem. The woman elects it because of its immediate large salary, its short hours, prestige and chance to serve humanity. But more and more men are selecting it as a tidying-over plan which shall furnish them a chance to look around and save something with which to go on, without working with their hands.

To these men it is a blind alley job and a dampener of ambition. The comparatively large salary for the short hours of work is enough to spoil many of those whose inclinations were primarily in other directions. These men as teachers, are misfits, a burden to themselves and the profession. To the student who doesn't want to take up teaching as a life work, remember that the graduate of the school of "looking around" is like the graduate of the school of experience—too old to work.

AGS ATTENTION

A Word to the Wise is Sufficient

For the benefit of all those in the Agricultural School who may not know it, especially the Freshmen, it is hereby announced that at the beginning of the school year, a cheer leader and assistant were elected by the student body.

This cheer leader was elected to lead cheers, naturally, and his assistant to lead them in case of the absence of the cheer leader proper.

To eliminate the possible repetition of having a Freshman rise on all fours in chapel and lead a school cheer, a thing which was done on Thursday last, and must not happen again, this warning and advice was thought advisable.

In all probability the spirit which prompted this undignified act, was primarily a desire to be in the lime light on the part of the offender. In the first place there was no occasion for cheering. The fact that the students of the Agricultural School have the reputation of being a little bit "crude" and lacking in tact is founded on just such things as the above mentioned exhibition. Let us get away from these acts which justly characterize us as being a little "crude." Loud talking in public places, roughhousing, boisterousness, all these things count toward the reputation we justly deserve. A little forethought, will do much to remedy the situation, and it certainly can be remedied.

THINK and then act, instead of acting and being subject to ridicule and criticism as the result of our acts.

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poor fellow to escape. The interest of the play is in the struggles between hatred and kindness in the heart of Mademoiselle Rose. Miss Anderson was well adapted for this role. She played it understandingly and sympathetically. Her voice sometimes failed to mark sufficiently the contrast between the indifferent and impassioned scenes. This play was really a drama of only one part; the other characters, which were well taken, were minor roles. The piece was somewhat slow in getting under motion, but taken all in all it represented the greatest emotional depth of any one of the four. Its beauty was inward beauty and emotional truth, and did not adhere in any flourishes or frills or spectacular play. It is indeed a triumph when amateur actors can present such a drama successfully.

Quite at the antipodes was the fourth play, "The Maker of Dreams," a fantasy by Oliphant Down. It was a light-spirited, wholesome comedy of the insouciant comedian, whose fancy is attracted by every pretty face and fair figure, but is blind to the quieter, more substantial charm of Pierrette, his co-laborer in the show business. Its appeal was akin to the appeal of a delightful sunset or a bit of filmy lace. It left the audience in a very mellow mood. Its spirit is well expressed by Pierrot, the hero himself, when, after he has discovered the heart of Pierrette, he says to her: "Pierrette, let us sit by the fire and put our feet on the fender and live happily ever after." Harold Clausen, Mildred Taber and Meredith Maxson took the parts, respectively, of Pierrot, Pierrette and the manufacturer. Their playing fitted admirably the spirit of the piece. The acting throughout was characterized by real finish. Miss Taber had great odds to fight against, for she had been confined to her room for nearly a week with a hard cold. She played her part beautifully in spite of her illness. It is eloquent of Mr. Clausen's ability and versatility when he could do so well the two so different parts of the half dead

paralytic in the first play and that of the light-hearted, fanciful youth of the last.

It is to be doubted whether the Footlight Club has given its guests an evening any more full of varied and wholesome pleasure than last Thursday night. It was due to the excellent choice of pieces, the high grade acting, and the discipline and histrionic vision of Miss Weed who did the drilling.

It was an evening of pleasant surprises. First, the curtain went up on time. Actually! In Alfred! The pauses between plays were not as apparent as usual. Then, too, there was a student orchestra that rendered delightful music which was all too little applauded. It is to be hoped that this same band of musicians may be heard again very soon.

A QUERY FROM THE FOOT- LIGHT CLUB

To the Editor of the Fiat Lux:

Sir:—We of the Footlight Club wish to thank all who responded so appreciatively to our efforts last Thursday night. But one thing has troubled us a little—we have been puzzled by the amusement that greeted the first play; we have failed to see what caused such bursts of laughter. Certainly it was not the author's intention to present a laughable episode. But he did try to teach a vital lesson by a bit of brutal realism, and this was the idea which we had in presenting the play. Perhaps we had over-estimated our dramatic ability in choosing such a strong play and thereby failed in our interpretation. If this was the case we are deeply humiliated and wish to apologize to the author and to the audience.

The laughter, in itself, was not a serious matter, nor did it hurt us, but it showed plainly that there was something wrong, and we are very anxious to discover what that something was.

Great Britain has two objects: to secure a permanent peace for herself and to punish Germany. When it comes to the conference at the Hague the first thing the British representatives lay upon the table will doubtless be a demand that Germany annex Ireland.—Independent.

IN SOCIETY

Gentry Club

The first meeting of the Gentry Club was held last Friday evening, in the Studio appartments. The Club being only in its infancy; has not as yet made final decision upon its officers. Meetings will be held on the first and second Fridays of the month. It is hoped that this popular Club will become one of Alfred's permanent organizations.

College Juniors To Entertain Frosh

The annual entertainment of the Freshmen by the Juniors will take place at Firemens Hall next Wednesday evening, Feb. 14. As the date intimates, the program will be in the nature of a "Cupid's Commencement."

Everything will be done to make the evening enjoyable in the "heartiest" manner possible.

Ag Juniors Give Party To Seniors

The Junior class of the Ag School will entertain the Seniors at a valentine party at Firemens Hall, tonight. Dancing and refreshments will be the chief features of the program.

PERSONALS

College

Blanche Minogue '20 was in Hornell Friday.

Ruth Bennett '20 spent the week-end in Hornell.

Prof. Mabel I. Hart was in Hornell over the week-end.

Anna Savage '18 was at her home in Hornell over Sunday.

Muriel Early '20 was at her home in Andover over Sunday.

Prof. Binns was lecturing in New York City over the week-end.

Genevieve Hart '17 spent the week-end at her home in Corning.

Elsie Swallow '19 spent the week-end at her home, in Corning.

Lowell Randolph '16 of Cornell University was home over Sunday.

Elmer Hunting '16 of Canisteo was in town Saturday and Sunday.

Wm. Buck '16 of Silver Springs accompanied the basket ball team from that place Saturday evening when it met the local high school lads.

Ruth Brown '18 and Mildred Whitney '17 were in Hornell, Thursday.

Geo. Crawford '18 spent Saturday and Sunday at his home in Cameron Mills.

Mrs. Parker of Wellsville has been visiting her daughter, Hazel '17, the past week.

Olive Thomas '16 of Wilson, N. Y., was visiting friends in town over the week-end.

Mrs. Laurence Bliss, of San Francisco, Cal., was a guest of Julia Wahl '18 several days the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton of Orodale, N. J., are visiting their son, Alfred '19, and daughter, Florentine '19.

Miss Binns has taken up her duties as matron of the Freshman House. Mrs. Allin is convalescing at the home of Prof. Binns.

Prof. and Mrs. G. M. Willson entertained several of the younger faculty members and others at a "kid party" Saturday evening.

The banquet of the New York City branch of the Alumni Association will be held a week from tomorrow evening, Feb. 21, at the Hotel McAlpine.

Mrs. Porter who has been visiting her daughter, Professor Porter, during the past week, was called to her home at Ripley, N. Y., by the death of her sister.

A meeting of the Theological teachers and students was held at the Auburn Seminary, Friday to Sunday. Wardner T. F. Randolph '20 represented Alfred.

Pres. Davis leaves Thursday morning for Albany to attend the meeting of the State Association of Colleges and Universities which will be held in the Educational Building.

Thursday afternoon the women of the college botany class gave a reception to the male members. Light refreshments followed a most interesting program on "Cross Pollination."

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Can You Say It?

Mr. Milligan much admired mongst the men merrily makes mufflers to mitigate the mortal misery of mighty England's military masses.

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The Red Bus Line solicits the patronage and support of the students and faculty of Alfred University.

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Agricultural School

Miss Marie LaLone '18 was in Hornell, Saturday.

Miss Madelia Tuttle is improving very rapidly at the Steuben Sanitarium.

Miss Ella Palmerton '17 was called to her home, recently owing to the death of her father.

Donald Alderman '18 was at his home in Olean over the weekend.

Lewis Gaper '18 is slowly recovering from an operation of appendicitis at a Geneva Hospital.

Programs for the Farm and Home Week may be obtained by applying at the School of Agriculture.

Professors Pontius and DuBois spoke at a Farmer's meeting at Arcade, last Thursday and Thursday evening.

Professor DuBois will be in Alfred the remainder of the year, having completed his Extension School work.

Miss Grace Cheesman will attend the Institute at Cornell University this week, representing the Home Economics department of N. Y. S. A.

Kenneth Treshott '17 has returned from St. James Mersy Hospital, Hornell, where he underwent an operation for appendicitis two weeks ago.

Miss Marguerite VanOrner '18 has returned to N. Y. S. A. to resume her work. Miss VanOrner has been absent since the Christmas vacation owing to the serious illness of her mother.

SIGMA ALPHA GAMMA

The meeting of the Sigma Alpha Gamma which is in charge of the Seniors, will be held Thursday evening, Feb. 15.

The curtain will rise at 8 o'clock for the presentation of Hiawatha.

COUNTRY LIFE CLUB PROGRAM POSTPONED

The regular meeting of the Country Life Club last week was postponed owing to the fact that nearly everyone was much enthused about attending the Footlight Club productions. The Club will meet on Thursday next and a very good program is to be looked for.

IN OTHER COLLEGES

College Boys' Ideal

A number of college youths lately put forward their ideal of a "girl that is worth while" and among other things mentioned as qualifications of their ideal that she is broad-minded, sympathetic, tactful, unselfish, optimistic, trifty, of good disposition, moderate in all things, bears reverses without worry, is modest, true, home-loving and religious. But what would such a girl want with the average college student. — Baltimore American.

Basket Ball Too Rough on Grid Stars

Following the injury of three gridiron heroes in the early part of the basket ball season, players of Walter Camp's favorite parlor pastime have been debared from further playing on the University of Southern California basket ball team.

To Make Smith College Into University

An initial expenditure of \$2,000,000 for real estate alone is involved in plans for the development of Smith College—the largest women's college—into the first women's university of the world. The registration of the college has grown from 14, in 1875, to 1,725 this year.

Lawrence Receives \$62,500

Lawrence College, Appleton, Wis., recently received a promise of \$62,500 toward a new chapel-auditorium, if a like amount could be raised among Appleton citizens. The name of the donor was withheld.

MOVIES SATURDAY NIGHT

At the time we go to press, it is unknown just what picture will be shown. Watch the bulletins.

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gratitude to this noble school? Let us make it our undertaking to see that the full amount that is needed is pledged, and over-pledged, before next June. Fiat Lux calls on very reader to lend a hand. This is essentially a students' enterprise.

Read, and let's have your serious thought, the letter from Buffalo Branch this year.

Dear Alumnus and Friend of Alfred:

A new "Gym" for Alfred! The prospect sounds good to those who remember how greatly it is needed. President Davis has doubtless written you that a gymnasium is included in the new Improvement Fund.

The Buffalo Committee wishes to bring this item before you as a special object for the Twentieth Century Alumni to work for—a building and equipment that will mean better physical fitness for the young men and women attending Alfred, our beloved Alma Mater. We are asking your co-operation to help complete the plan begun by the Buffalo Branch, of "making Prexy a present from his own graduates."

There was a wide and quick response, last year, to the call for a small amount from each of our younger alumni to start the fund. Now we ask you to be one of three hundred who will designate at least \$50.00 each of your subscription to the Improvement Fund for this purpose. That will make the Davis Gymnasium a certainty. You need not pay all at once, but in two years—or three.

It may be that you will wish to give more than \$50.00 to this object, as a number have done. It may be that you will not be able to give \$50.00. We still want you to have a substantial interest and part in the Davis Gymnasium, which is to be an enduring monument of our appreciation of the labor and devotion of our President.

We want to see this improvement started in the spring. To do this, each one must bear a part, and make it easy for all—yet not too easy, but in the spirit of Alfred, the spirit of devotion and self-sacrifice.

Please send all pledges and remittances to Curtis F. Randolph, treasurer, Alfred, N. Y. Amounts already paid or subscribed will be credited, if requested, on the new pledge you make.

Thanking you, and with most cordial fellowship, we are

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VARSITY DEFEATED TWICE**Alfred's Bunch of Individual Stars Loses to Canisius and Niagara**

The recent trip of the Varsity Basketball team to play Canisius College at Buffalo and Niagara University at Niagara Falls, resulted in two defeats, 36 to 22 in the first case and 30 to 14 in the latter game.

Both teams encountered were of such caliber that even the scoring of as many points as the Alfred men did, is to be considered excellent work. The team which was formulated in less than a week without the aid of a coach, could not be expected to defeat combinations that have been playing together all season, even though the team be made up of good individual players.

Canisius, who came to the Alfred game with a record of 261 points to their opponents 103, found a worthy rival in the purple and gold. During the first half she was able to score only one field basket, five foul pitches raising her score to 7 points. The Varsity couldn't seem to keep their free hand far enough up their backs on a referee's toss. The men hope to meet Canisius on the Chapel Hall court.

The line up:

Canisius	Alfred
R. F.	
Nash, Capt. (12)	Decker (4)
L. F.	
Donnelly (10)	Lobaugh, Capt. (12)
C.	
Boland (6)	Sherwood (2)
R. G.	
Cullen (4)	Cottrell (2)
L. G.	
Martin (4)	Witter (2)

At Niagara the size of the floor seemed to overcome the Varsity. There was very little successful team work on Alfred's part, the short pass and short shot, at which she excels, being impossible; while Niagara was very adept at working the ball down the long hall.

The line up:

Niagara	Alfred
R. F.	
Murphy	Decker
L. F.	
Ondowchock	Lobaugh
C	
Lynch	Sherwood
L. G.	
Daggan	Cottrell
R. G.	
Halovie	Witter

Field baskets: Lobaugh 2, Sherwood 1, Cottrell 1; Murphy 5; Lynch 1, Halovie 3, Daggan 3.

Foul pitches: Lobaugh 4, Lynch 6.

Substitutions: Witter for Sherwood, McConnell for Witter.

Referee: Ivan Fiske.

I. P. A. SECOND MEETING POSTPONED

The second meeting of the Y. M. and Y. W. C. A. in a joint gathering for the purpose of prohibition work, and at which Pres. Davis was to address the assemblage, was postponed on account of the lack of sufficient light and heat. When the mercury goes down to 25 degrees below zero, even the most fiery prohibitionists cool down.

C. L. M. C. A.

The regular meeting of the C. L. M. C. A. was held last Sunday evening. The meeting was lead by LaRue Hull. The topic for the evening was "The limitations and advantages of the City and Country Church." Many interesting and instructive talks were given by several members of the association.

RECEPTION GIVEN MISS BOWEN, Y. W. SECRETARY

In order that all the members of the Y. W. C. A. might be given an opportunity to meet Miss Bowen, the state traveling secretary, a reception was held at the home of Pres. Davis, Friday afternoon from three to five.

An interesting program was given:

Vocal Solo	Mabel Hood
Vocal Solo	Hazel Stillman
Piano Solo	Gertrude Wells
Violin Solo	Alice Cranston
Reading	Ruth Piaget
Piano Solo	Mrs. Hamilton

Miss Bowen also spoke to the women emphasizing the bigness of the Y. W. movement and urged them all, although the Alfred Association was somewhat isolated, to always keep before them the fact that they were members of a plan that encircled the world. Tea and cakes were served.

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