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VARSITY PLAYS MANSFIELD **TOMORROW**

Hornell High Easy --- Victory in Practice Game

ball team will journey on Wednesday to Mansfield and cross bats with the fast representatives of Mansfield Normal. The Varsity players are quite confident of the result, for the comparative ease with which Clarkson Tech was vanquished, and the overwhelming victory over Hornell High, said to have the best team in her history, has given rise to considerable optimism. and, under ordinary conditions, then is little doubt but that Mansfield will fall a victim.

King, Smith, Bliss, Lobaugh, Kenyon, Holley, Banks, Burdick, A'Hearn, Witter, Carter, Campbell, Worden and Stryker of the first squad, have been reporting regularly. There are many other candidates, who with another year's experience, will be suitable Varsity material.

Work during the past few days has consisted mainly of batting practice, as there seems a tendency on the part of the local Varsity to field well, but to be offensively weak. This failure to hit is being corrected as speedily as possible, and ample opportunity is given to all members of the Varsity squad to acquire some defense.

With a catcher and a third baseman on the mound in the practice game held at Alfred field last Thursday afternoon, the representatives of A'Hearn, Saxton and Newton.

After a lay-off of several days in Hornell High School were easily vanthe national pastime, the Varsity base quished by the score of 15-2 in a seven inning contest, practically every player on the Alfred squad participating before the game was over.

Saxton pitched good ball for Hornell during the greater part of the contest, but he was hit freely by the Varsity in nearly every inning, and the support which he was accorded was superbly miserable, Alfred purlonging sacks with ease through the poor throwing of Newton, and general delinquency of the High School infielders. Witter and Kenyon did the twirling for the Varsity, and both proved reasonably effectuous, although a home run by Richardson in the secend inning, scoring Hovey ahead of him, were Hornell's two lone tallies, scored off Witter's delivery. Kenyon pitched good ball during the three innings that he worked, and proves a capable understudy for King, the first string hurler.

The game was featureless for the most part, except for Richardson's home run and the free hitting of the Alfred team.

The score by innings:

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Batteries: Witter, Kenyon and

FIAT ENTERTAINMENT Dr. Lapp Gives Address On The Fiat Lux is a permanent insti-Propaganda

tution of the University, and it's maintainence has always been met by its subscriptions and an annual Fair. The publication never has been a paying minds of people who seek to forward proposition and it's fate has rested mainly on the good-will of the student This body had opportunity to show its interest by making the Fair a success. But this year circumstances did not permit the usual Fair, war conditions being mainly the cause: It was felt that some assistance was necessary so an entertainment was planned.

The Freshmen kindly consented to put on a short dramatic program under the supervision of the Foot-plarmed the nation through the medium light Club, which will be followed by dancing. It is anticipated that the evening spent in this manner would be people think they are," continued Dr. any other way under the existing circumstances. The affair will take place on Saturday night, May 22.

STUDENT SENATE

The 29th meeting of the Senate was called May 3d by the President. Per- of careful observation, and his claims mission was granted the Eta Phi Gam- are justified by the fact that newsma to hold their annual banquet and dance on May 13th. The Ceramic Guild was granted permission for an for an entertainment May 10th. Fiat common every day. granted permission to hold entertainment May 22d. The music department on the calendar May 12th.

"Bolshevism, Anarchy, and evils that are akin, are mere creations in the their own individual interests by exciting the hysteria of the time," declared Dr. Lapp, an eminent Alfred alumnus, in an addres delivered at Kenyon Memorial Hall last night before an audience of about one hundred and fifty men and women of the faculty and student body of Alfred University. "We are not in danger of disaster or any other serious trouble, despite all the propaganda that has been circulated, and which has so of the press."

"Things are much simpler than most more enjoyable to the students than Lapp. "The "Red plots," which were said to culminate on May first, were simply a product of the hysteria bred in the minds of the people through the outbursts of our daily organ, the newspaper."

While Dr. Lapp is a confirmed optimist, his statements are the result paper exaggeration for individual interests, without a thought for the safety of the nation, are proving more

"While the efforts of individual interests which are fighting the prohi-

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CAMPUS RULES REVISIONS

Students Show New Interest

The weekly Assembly was turned over to the Students Association for the purpose of voting on the revisions of the Campus rules for the coming year. The meeting was in charge of Pres. Clarke, who explained it's pur-The manner in which the suggestions were disposed of showed an awakening interest in College affairs. Many new ideas were organized into the annals, most of them affecting only the Freshmen. The revisions follow:

- 1. The motion was lost to return to the custom of three years ago that the Frosh wear their caps the full College year.
- 2. Art. II. Sec. 6 was revised to read that Frosh hold the doors of Assembly open, beginning after the First Assembly.
- 3. The ruling regarding the wearing of the College seal was abolished.
- 4. A new ruling that Frosh men must carry matches for upperclassmen was adopted.
- 5. Freshmen must learn the Alma Mater.
- 6. A new section was amended and adopted that any person entitled to the Major A might wear the regulation sweater.
- 7. An article was adopted that a Senior Seal be made, for Seniors and Alumni only. It was passed to appoint a Committee for this purpose, an extremely clean fellow and should composed of two members from each be just the man to create high ideals class and two from the Alumni.
- 8.-9-10. These revisions revised the first three sections of the regulations on underclass banquets so that the banquet may be held any time between Monday morning and Thursday midnight, except from midnight till 5 A. M., provided the letter is filed 24 hours before the banquet.
- 11. A new article gives the Senate power, with the approval of the Athletic Council to appoint one person to run the dances for the benefit of the of athletic activities especialy foot-Athletic Association.
- 12. The suggestion that male students be punished as well as the girls for the violations of the Sigma Alpha Gamma rules was lost.
- 13. The credit system was placed on the table awaiting the action of the committee appointed for the purpose of rearranging it.

Two Constitutional Amendments were read to be voted on next week.

Art. VIII. Sec. I. The president shall preside at all meetings of the Senate of the Association, and of the Student

Art. VIII. Sec. 2a. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to report all dates placed on the Calendar to the College office as soon as possible.

Eta Phi Gamma to Hold Banquet and Dance

The Eta Phi Gamma Fraternity is going to hold a banquet and dance Thursday evening at Firemens Hall. It has been the custom of the fraternity to hold such an event each year oratorio, "The Creation" was placed bition amendment claim that our boys but on account of the war none has been held since 1917.

INTERSCHOLASTIC TRACK

Annual Event May 19th

Wesbecher To Coach Athletics Next Year

Alfred has secured Mr. A. A. Wesbecher as Varsity Coach for next year. Mr. Wesbecher comes with the highest recommendations and an experience as college athlete and coach that makes him one of the best coaches in the country.

Mr. Wesbecher played four years of football and baseball on the Washington and Jefferson varsity, being football Captain in 1915. The next year after his graduation he was made assistant coach at W. & J. under Sol Metzger, present coach of the University of Pennsylvania eleven. Later he was made coach of the Lafayette team but was called into the service before the season was finished.

R. M. Murphy, graduate manager et W. & J. says of Mr. Wesbecher, "His influence upon the students will be excellent. He has splendid spirit, in fact, I know of none better. You will be fortunate indeed if you can secure him for the position."

Sol Metzger says, "Mr. Wesbecher is a most competent football man, is among your students. I can say without reservation that he will be by far the best football coach you ever had."

Robert C. Folwell, present coach of the Navy Team and coach at W. & J. for the four years that Mr. Wesbecher played there says, "I wish to recommend Mr. Wesbecher highly, he has an ideal character above suspicion in every way. His influence will always be elevating, his ideals are of the best and he is competent to handle any kind ball. I have never had the pleasure of working with a better man than Mr. Wesbecher. He would be a credit to any institution

Mr. Wesbecher is employed as Physical Director at Alfred for next year. He will coach all athletic teams.

STUDENT ELECTIONS

the student elections. At that time home over the week-end, ask "Heinie" and the members of the Athletic Coun- you. cil will be held. There will be three seniors and two juniors elected to the Senate. The Athletic Council is composed of one senior, two juniors, one favorite candidates.

The Twelfth Annual Interscholastic will be held on Wednesday, May 19th. This will be, as always, Alfred's big day, and the day on which many high school students get their first look at our "College in the Hills." Our hospitality and courtesy and spirit may influence many of them to make the decision to attend Alfred.

The events will be the same as in former years, consisting of all the distances on the track from 100 yards to one mile and a cross country run and the 220 yard low hurdles. Also the hammer throw and shot put, high and broad jumps and pole vault.

There will be a Stock Judging Contest under the direction of Director Ladd of the Agricultural School, which will be held in the morning at the State

The Speaking Contests will be held in the church. The girls' contest will be Tuesday evening and the boys' contest on the evening of the meet, both will start at eight o'clock sharp.

Last but by no means least, don't forget the dance to be held in Firemens Hall at 8:30 P. M. The Rice-Ballou Orchestra of Hornell will furnish the music.

Many of the readers of this will be asked to act as officials of the meet and should be ready to do their part, The job of running the meet is not play by any means and the management will appreciate greatly any help that can be rendered by anyone. It is also requested that anybody who will be able to entertain anywhere from one to two dozen of the contestants on Tuesday night and for breakfast Wednesday morning, will report this fact to Henry Harrington. Difficulty has been met with, in this direction for several years as it has been hard to secure lodging for men who must come the night before the meet. The manager will greatly appreciate this service and the contestants will

The admission to the Speaking Contests is free and no admission is charged to students for the meet. The price for others is 50 cents. The assembly period tomorrow has ceeds go to the Interscholastic Fund been given over to the student body of the Athletic Association. Get beso that the time may be utilized for hind and push, and if you are going the election of the Student Senators for some window cards to take with

FACULTY MEETING

Mrs. G. A. Bole and G. Adolph Vosfor the period of two years, and two sler were the speakers at the Uniunderclassmen. The election of the versity Faculty meeting last Tuesday Business Manager and assistant of the evening. The topic presented by the Fiat Lux will also be held. In addi- speakers was Student Activities. Mrs. tion to these elections there are two Bole's talk gave the view held by the amendments to the Constitution of the faculty and suggested changes that Students' Association to be voted up- are needed, while Mr. Vossler repreon. These amendments were read be-sented the students and tried to give fore the student body last week. an idea of their attitude toward ac-Every student should remember the tivities. The talks were followed by elections and be there at ten o'clock an interesting discussion which censharp to cast their votes for their tered chiefly around the workings of the Student Life committee.

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Plans are under way to hold a tennis tournament the last week in May. There will be singles and doubles for both men and women. All who wish to participate should hand in their names to Manager Collin. Practice has also been started for a tennis team to represent the college. Matches have been arranged with the teams of the Wellsville and Elmira Country Country Clubs. Manager Collin is in communication with the tennis managers at Colgate, Hamilton and Rochester and there is the possibility of a match between these colleges. Smith, Whitford, Blumenthal and King have shown up best in the practice so far. It is desired that many more candidates come out and try for the team so that there will be a large number of can-

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THE MESSAGE OF THE PINES

Once in the evening twilight,
After the sun went down,
I wandered o'er the campus
Of our own dear college town.
And I heard amid the pine trees,
A voice so sweet and fair,
Which murmured while I listened,
"Go forth, be brave to dare."

Then the voice I heard was silent,
But there was a murmur, still,
Of the wind among the pine trees
By the chapel on the hill.
Yet as I traced my foot steps
Down through the pines again,
I thought of the mystic message

I thought of the mystic message
From the heart of the pines to men.
There may we take a lesson
From the pines so straight and true;
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Students entering the Training Corps will be supplied with uniforms and furnished with free board and room and in addition will receive the regular army pay of \$30 per month.

The War Department announcement is in part as follows:

"All young men who were planning to go to school this fall, should carry out their plans to do so. Each should go to the college of his choice, matriculate, and enter as a regular student. He will, of course, also register with his local board on the registration day set by the President. As soon as possible after registration day, probably on or about October first, opportunity will be given for all the regularly enrolled students to be inducted into the Students' Army Training Corps at the schools where they are in attendance. Thus the Corps will be organized by voluntary induction under the Selective Service Act, instead of by enlistment as previously contemplated.

The student, by voluntary induction, becomes a soldier in the United States Army, uniformed, subject to military discipline and with the pay of a private. They will simultaneously be placed on full active duty and contracts will be made as soon as possible, with the colleges for the housing, subsistence and instruction of the student soldiers."

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There remains only five weeks more of strenuous college life-then exams and all is over-will we fall behind in our work this late in the year?-No!

Some of the new revisions, that have been added to the Campus Rules this year, appear to be somewhat of a joke to some of the students. They were not adopted as a joke and should not be taken as such. When we look over the Campus Rules of other colleges, we find that our rules are not near as strict as they might be. Of course many of the rules that are in force in large colleges would be found to be impractical if tried in Alfred. Yet we find that there are many rules more harsh than those that we have, that would be found practical if tried.

After much thought and hesitation, that elusive being, known as spring, has at last made its appearance. The past few days have been exceedingly pleasant to those who admire nature and, each other, to go for a quiet stroll over the surrounding countryside. We do not blame them. If we were young again we would do the same, but our editorial duties do not permit such pastimes. Then too, we have become stiff and bent from long hours of labor at our desks, but as we gaze from our office windows we enjoy the beauties of nature. As the others walk past, we heave a deep longing sigh. Would that we could be young and carefree again.

GLEE CLUB TRIP

The College Glee Club left Thursday noon by bus for a two day trip to Perry and Warsaw. At Perry the S. R. O. sign was tacked on the door before the concert started for every seat in the house was sold in advance. It was an apreciative audience too, and every one of the Club numbers was encored at least once, while the readings were encored twice and Volk turned out inspiration for a straight half hour. The principal of the Perry High School kindly turned the weekly Rhetoricals over to the Club the next morning. After a few musical numbers, different members of the Club explained the work of Alfred and the opportunities of its graduates.

A large crowd was present at Warsaw the next evening to hear the concert. The treatment given the boys was royal at both of the towns. It was unanimously agreed that these concerts were the most successful close of the most successful season that a Glee Club ever had.

1922 KANAKADEA

The 1922 Kanakadea board, which was elected sometime ago, have begun preparations for their book. They are working to put out the best book possible and are asking for the hearty co-operation and help of all the students of Alfred and it is our duty to give them this assistance.

We must remember that the Kanakadea is as much our book as theirs and we should do all that we can to make it a banner book. The Kanakadea is an advertisement and a boost for Alfred and the better the book the better the advertisement. One way in which we can help is by "Bob" saving good photographs. Clark, who is the photographer, is ask ing for three hundred snap shots for the book. We can all help him obtain this number. Then too, the board asks the students to hand in any suggestions that they think might help to make the Kanakadea a bigger and better book. Let's have everyone work together so that they can.

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Y. M. C. A.

Before a small but earnest group of members, Alfred Pollock gave an interesting outline of the problem of crime, at the usual meeting of the Y. M. C. A. last Sunday night. He pointed out the psychological and biological sources of crime, and described the objective and subjective causes. Three types of criminal are easily classified as the instinctive criminal, the habitual one, and the single offender. Of these, the second type is the most dangerous, while the third is most common. In conclusion Mr. Pollock stated that crime conditions in this country could be improved largely through industrial, physical and moral education, and by better home training.

After a brief discussion, touching on the influence of immigration on crime, the group agreed with Mr. Pollock's belief-that this was not an insoluble problem.

Y. W. C. A.

The Freshmen girls conducted a right live meeting, Sunday night, discussing the topic: "Nature and Her Influence." Various phases of nature were treated,—the mountains, the ocean, all kinds of weather and their influence on thought and action and attitude, twilight, and the various sea-Selections from Emerson, sons. Wordsworth, Riley, Jeffries, and Loyce Kilmer were given to make the talks more vivid.

Mrs. Piotrowski talked a little about the influence of nature on older people. She said that objects get to be repreresentative of something beyond themselves, a mysterious something speaking through the play and inter-play of vital natural forces.

The scripture reading was the 19th Psalm. There were 26 girls present.

THE MOVIES

Last Saturday night marked the close of the most successful movie season that Alfred has ever had. It was the most successful both from the standpoint of the public and the Athletic Association. The public was treated to a continuous round of shows which, although there was a great deal of repitition as regards certain well known actresses, were as a whole good shows and well enjoyed. That they were enjoyed was evidenced by the steady stream of currency which flowed into the coffers of the Athletic Association.

The management wishes to thank the musicians who so kindly offered their services and the clubs who furnished the vaudeville. A great share of the success of the movies was due

It might also be well to thank Norma, Alice, Constance and even Clara Kimball but if they receive as much for their acting as is reported they are doing better now than most of "us poor duffers" ever hope to do, so we won't bother them.

The manager has promised a complete financial report in the next issue of the Fiat.

As a fitting close of the movies for Basement-Rosebush Block. the season, a dance was held after the show Saturday night. The dance was conducted along the most up-todate methods, a charge being made for each dance instead of for the whole evening. Volk and Cottrell furnished the music. Refreshments were served by the Y. W. Although the affair was not largely attended, it was greatly enjoyed by those present.

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in France all wanted booze, and that it was unwillingly taken away while they were at war, the facts of the case are distinctly contrary, and to carry on a campaign on the ground that we have committed a crime against our soldiers is a wretched piece of work," commented Dr. Lapp, as he attacked another phase of propaganda situation. "Most people want prohibition, and a great victory has been won through the medium of the war, which would have eventually transpired had the war never been. There is no more chance of liquor coming back to the United States than that I should have passage

to the moon.

"The propaganda that men in organized labor are profiteers has reached this section of the country" said Dr. Lapp. The idea prevails that labor has been lying down on the job, and this thought has been promoted by organizations who are outwardly working for patriotic interests, but inwardly for their personal salvation and for their own selfish interests. Labor is no profiteer. It is at present in a desperate situation, with the present high prices and high cost of living. Every human being is entitled to enough to at least live respectably, and humanity requires that every man who works is entitled to the fruits of his labor. It is pitiful to see the things that have gone out under the guise of Americanization. The New York League for Americanization came to this state last September, presumably to fight Bolshevism, anarchism, and to uphold principles of all that was The speakers of this league enumerated the dangers which the country was said to be involved with no other purpose than to further the interests of the "Casualty Insurance Co. of the United States," and to fight social insurance. It was the height of iniquity. There was a similar organization in the state of California called the "California League for Social Research. Prominent persons were asked to become members of this League, and not suspecting the real design, many influential names were secured."

Dr. Lapp received a personal invitation to have his name inscribed on their letterheads, but sagaciously recognizing the dastardly scheme, he quoted his refusal by stating the conditions under which he would become a party to any suspicious organization.

"Women are more intellectually alert than men." Dr. Lapp went on to say, "and it was through the efforts of women that these schemes were detected. A woman's organization took the initiative, investigated the situation, and published the facts, naming the organizations as well. This was a real achievement, and a great step forward.

"A few weeks ago, a full column on the front page of the New York Times, related a highly embellished tale of a certain Kansas Normal School that was reputed to have set up a Soviet form of government. The story was a willful hoax, and a gross exaggeration of a simple student prank. It meant propaganda for the New York Times, and it served its purpose well. What is the Soviet form of government anyhow? No one seems to know or to understand, and I object to have ing that cry used in the country to kill off all ideas of progressive legislation.

"A certain bank in North Dakota was reported to have failed and this incident occupied another whole column on the front page of the New York Times. It was claimed that the 9 A. M. to 12 M. Non-Partisan League, a real organization of real merit, had a lot of worthless paper in the bank, but the truth of the whole matter was that the bank had not failed at all, and the publicity given in New York was merely to excite sentiment against the Non-Partisan League."

"You cannot suppress thought; you cannot suppress action," continued Dr. Lapp. "We will have a campaign this fall which will not be conducted upon

ADVERTISED ANARCHY A CRIME the right lines, and a large vote which might decide the issue will be withdrawn on account of the fact that there has been such ill-treatment of socialists.'

> "There are not enough Anarchists in this country to cause any trouble. About two thousand "Reds" have been slowly and laboriously collected throughout the entire United States, and most of these are half-deranged. McKinley was shot by an Anarchist. and Anarchy was as prevalent in 1901 as it is today. It is the tendency on the part of people to exaggerate conditions that has been alarming us. We are in a position to solve the question before us, and we will not solve them by being hysterical, but only through sober thought. If a man does not take his part in the work, he is parasite, but if every person will cease to be a parasite, and will see the real truth, we will easily and readily meet the problem which confronts us."

> After Dr. Lapp's address there was an informal discussion in which several subjects of importance were introduced. The advent of so well-informed an individual meant much to those in attendance, and it is only to be regretted that there was not a larger percentage of students in evidence.

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