ALMA REACHES $300,000 MARK

COLLEGE, HOWEVER MUST RAISE $175,000 TO SECURE $75,000 GIFT.

DOCTOR CROOKS STATES CASE

Says Christian Education Presents Solution to Many Pressing Modern Problems.

Alma College has passed the $300,000 mark in its campaign to raise $685,000. The results achieved, announces Dr. H. N. Crooks, Alma's President, make it certain that the college will secure the $50,000 conditional gift pledged by the General Board of Education of the Presbyterian Church. The conditions attached to the $75,000 pledge made by the General Education Board (the Rockefeller Agency) however, have not been met. In order to secure that gift approximately $175,000 must be raised during the month of May.

The General Education Board gift was made on condition that $300,000 be secured for endowment for instruction. Of the amounts raised so far a considerable portion will be used for buildings and will therefore not apply on the $225,000 gift.

"The cause of Alma College," says Dr. Crooks, "is the cause of Christian education. Alma is not asking $685,000 in order to be magnificent. It is asking for its barest needs. The nation needs Christian colleges like Alma. Democracy can never solve its problems without the philosophy of Christ. Who gave Democracy to the world? Democracy's essence is to give the other fellow his chance and to fight him if he fails to give you yours. The best political science departments ought to flourish in Christian schools. The ability of the non Christian to understand and appreciate Democracy can well be denied.

"The so-called Democracy of Russia leaves Christ out, and no one cares a fig for Russia's loudest protestations of Democracy or believes her present leaders capable of democratic government. My confidence in a candidate for a statesman's place is increased when I know he learned his political science from a professor who knew the first great Teacher of Democracy.

"Why are the Presbyterians of Michigan asking for $685,000 for Alma College? Because there can be no contribution of greater importance to the church or the nation. We have social unrest among young people untrained to weigh properly social theories and to test economics groupings. Those groups of people who bring rest to minds troubled over social movements of today are Christian associations. They do not all call themselves Christian, but Heathendom has no hospitals, no asylums for the delinquents and the defectives. The sociology that looks to the downmost man is essentially Christian whether it forms Rotary and Kiwanis Clubs or fills community chests.

"There are less than 600 men studying in seminaries today for the Presbyterian ministry. This spring about one hundred of them are ready to take churches. This number doesn't represent a fraction of the need. If our denominational colleges fail to attract students because of insufficient facilities, we shall not have even this small band of one hundred a year. The situation is critical and there is only one way it can be met."

In these days of unsettled conditions and forced readjustments there is one cure for these whose pessimism threatens to become chronic. That cure is sure. I would say to you that if you will live with the passionate enthusiasms of youth and know the enthusiasm that is theirs, investment of money in an institution like Alma will make sure the investment of life in the world's business. President H. M. Crooks.

Speaking during the Girard College case Daniel Webster said:

"It is a mockery and an insult to common sense to maintain that a school for the instruction of youth from which Christian instruction or Christian teaching are sedulously and religiously shut out is not a deistic and infidel in its tendencies."

Alma College agrees with Webster.

It is the colleges of today that determine the type of leadership of tomorrow. Education is not always essential to material success, but in the end it is the college and the college man who directs the currents of thought. Whatever is put into the schools is later found in the life of a nation. If materialism, disbelief and irreligion occupy the seats of learning more and more of our colleges graduates will start in their life careers as mental anarchists, intolerant of all moral laws. Institutions like Alma College, whose teachings are based on Christianity, stand as bulwarks against the waves of destruction that are sweeping the world.

Domestic Storm Warnings.

The following pleasant recipe for being happy, though married, was given us an old village woman to her daughter, who was married recently. "Do as your father and I did, my dear. Whenever he comes home feeling contrary, he wants his own way on the back of his hand, and I always resign. And then I never feel a touch. And whenever I feel cross myself, I throw my shawl over my left shoulder, and then he never dares so much as look at me."

THE AMERICAN LEGION

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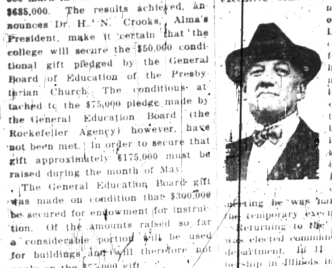
ONE OF LEGION'S FOUNDERS

Col. Milton Foreman's Connection Dates Back to the Original Paris Caucus.



Col. Milton J. Foreman, national executive committeeman of the Illinois department of the American Legion, is a Chicago lawyer, who for many years has been active in public and military affairs. His connection with the Legion dates back to the original Paris caucus at which time the idea of forming a Legion was conceived. At that meeting he was named chairman of the temporary executive committee.

Returning to the United States he was elected commander of the Illinois department. In 18 months the membership in Illinois increased from 16,000 to more than 65,000, and the number of posts from 220 to 682.

While serving with the First Illinois Cavalry, in 1894, Mr. Foreman acquired an active interest in military affairs. He served with that organization during the Spanish American war and rose to the rank of captain. After the war Mr. Foreman began the practice of law in Chicago and the same major in the First cavalry in 1914 he was promoted to lieutenant colonel, and took over his former command, second colonel of the regiment. He was in command of that organization during the border troubles.

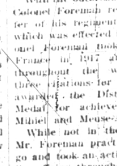
With the outbreak of the World war, Colonel Foreman requested the transfer of his regiment to field artillery, which was effected in June, 1917. Colonel Foreman took the regiment to France in 1917 and commanded it throughout the war. He received three citations for gallantry and was awarded the Distinguished Service Medal for achievements in the St. Mihiel and Meuse-Argonne offensives.

While not in the military service, Mr. Foreman practiced law in Chicago and took an active interest in public affairs throughout the state. In 1889 he was elected to the Chicago city council and served six consecutive terms. He was chairman of the Chicago charter convention whose work has become a model for planners of new city charters.

HIKE TO NATIONAL CAPITAL

Plan Suggested by Kansas Committeeman to Tell Lawmakers What Legion Men Need.

"Join the army and walk around the world." Do you remember that slogan?



Doughboys
Whose weary feet
ate up the kilometers on the other side and the miles on this side
so paraphrased the advertising of the recruiting service during the war. But walking over the war.

"Let's keep it up," urges W. F. Kurtz, Kansas national executive committeeman of the American Legion. "Let's walk to Washington and tell them what the Legion wants for its disabled and for its whole membership."

According to Mr. Kurtz' plan, delegates from each state department of the Legion would hike overland to the nation's capital, arranging their schedules so as to meet on the White House steps on the same day. However, he would permit representatives from the other side of the Rockies to ride the cushions across to this side.

Legion posts along the way would feed and shelter the hikers. "I'll lead the way, and outwalk anyone in the Legion," the Kansas pedestrian declares.

C. O. D.

An old cabby visited a doctor and asked for medicine as he was about to depart on Shanks's mare for the other side of the grave, when the doctor called out:

"Hey, there uncle, you forgot to pay me."

"Pay you for what?"

"For my advice."

"Nossuh, boss, I've complimated it from all angles and decided not to take it."—American Legion Weekly.

Second Hand.

"I want two sheets of fly paper," said the lady entering the seed store.

The new assistant clerk extracted two sheets from the window.

"Ten cents," he said.

"How embarrassing! I've only a penny with me."

"Aw, I s'pose you can have the two for five cents," he grumbled. "They're full of flies already."—American Legion Weekly.

The New Twist.

Bromide: They say a bird in the hand is worth two in the bush.

Baseball Manager: Huh! I've got some birds on my hands that ought to be back in the bushes.—American Legion Weekly.

Majesty of the Law.

Mistress: I should think that you would be ashamed to let that policeman kiss you.

Maid—Yes, But how could I resist the law?—American Legion Weekly.

THE LEGION BODY OF FRANCE

Ex-Patriated Former Service Man Remains Abroad and Serves in Important Capacity.

When the last of the American expeditionary forces left France, a considerable number of ex-service men remained in that country as representatives of American firms and in various other positions. Among this group was Col. Francis E. Drake, commander of the department of France, American Legion.

Col. Drake, ex-patriated former service men found that there were mutual ties binding them together and the result was the formation of the Legion's department of France.

Among the achievements of this dedicated body of Legionnaires are: The direction of the registration of graves of American soldiers on the battlefields and in the cemeteries of France; on Memorial day and the attended veterans in France; the raising of a fund to defend the American sergeants who were shocked at the treatment and execution visited on the French sergeants; the furthering memorial plans of the American Legion.

Colonel Drake has returned to France after a visit of America, during which he effected arrangements for the decoration of all soldiers' graves on Memorial day, 1921.

The Legion commander attracted national attention when his investigation of the alleged "Ribbon Decoration" showed that there was no foundation for the assertion of proclamations that French negro troops are participating in outrages on the German women in the Rhenish provinces.

CONVENTIONS OF 1921 OPEN

Program of Department Gatherings of Ex-Service Men's Organizations Inaugurated in Alaska.

When delegates from far away posts of the American Legion in Alaska met at Ajidez on April 12, the program of department conventions for 1921 was inaugurated.

Departments which have announced the place and date of their 1921 conventions are: Alabama, Florence, June 10 and 11; Arizona, Prescott, August 8; Florida, Orlando, May 16 and 17; Iowa, Spirit Lake, September 12 and 13; Kansas, Hutchinson, August 22, 23 and 24; Kentucky, Lexington, September 2 and 3; Maryland, Ocean City, September 12 and 13; Michigan, Kalamazoo, September 6 and 7; Minnesota, Winona, August 1, 2 and 3; Montana, Lewistown, June 27 and 28; Nebraska, Fremont, September 29, 30 and October 1; New Mexico, Silver City, September 22, 23 and 24; New York, Jamestown, September 30 and October 1; Oregon, Eugene, July 1 and 2; South Dakota, Rapid City, August 23 to 26; Tennessee, Chattanooga, July 8 and 9; Utah, Provo, June 10 and 11; Virginia, Norfolk, September 1, 2 and 3; Washington, Hoquiam, July 14, 15 and 16; Wisconsin, Eau Claire, June 28, 29 and 30.

Other departments which have announced conventions, with the exact date as yet undecided, are: Colorado Glenwood Springs, October; Louisiana, Bogalusa, early September; Nevada, Gardnerville, July; New Hampshire, Keene, last week in August; New Jersey, Ausbury Park, September; Oklahoma, Enid, last week in September or first week in October; Pennsylvania, Pittsburgh, between September 16 and 30.

AMERICANISM BILLS GET O. K.

Three Measures Written by the American Legion Become Laws in Oklahoma, June 25.

Three Americanism bills written by the American Legion and introduced in the Oklahoma state legislature at the request of that organization have been passed by the state lawmaking body signed by Governor Robertson and will become laws on June 25.

House bill No. 883 provides that the American flag shall be displayed on all times in every school district in the state and public, private and denominational and that pupils shall be taught proper respect and reverence for it by the state school superintendent. A penalty is provided for violation.

American history and civil government are made compulsory subjects for study in the public schools under house bill No. 381.

High schools, colleges, universities and normal schools must require at least one full year's work in American history and civics of each student graduated.

In the future, each pupil who is graduated or receives a certificate of attendance from a public school must be able to recite from memory the preamble to the constitution of the United States and the state of Oklahoma under penalty of house bill No. 880. Teachers found guilty of public statements against the flag or country shall have their certificates revoked.

The bills have been widely praised in the Oklahoma press and have been made a part of the national Americanism program of the American Legion.

Adopted as Legion Platform.

What the American Legion stands for in its work of Americanization is shown in a chart prepared by Hoyle J. Ryan, chairman of the Legion's Americanism Commission, and adopted as the Legion's official platform by the Commission.

Newspaper Aids Legion Post.

"The New Era," a newspaper of Eunice, La., turned over an entire edition to the American Legion post in that city.

HAPPENINGS *in the* CITIES

Does "A. L." Mean "Abraham Lincoln"?

PETERSBURG, ILL. — Substantial evidence that Abraham Lincoln did not develop strong muscles entirely by splitting rails during his early manhood at New Salem has been unearthed near the very spot where he devoted part of his time selling tea and tobacco in the little offut store.

A. A. Bradley of Petersburg is ready to prove that "Honest Abe" also grubbed a few stumps to aid his fellow townsmen clean up the settlement.

To back up his claim, Mr. Bradley exhibits an old mattock with the inscription "A. L." plainly "branded" into the tool. No arguments can convince other Petersburg citizens that the instrument did not belong to Abe Lincoln. It is on exhibition here as the latest acquisition to the collection of Lincoln relics.

Showing a visitor over the site of New Salem, which is being restored for state park, Mr. Bradley noticed a peculiar piece of iron protruding from the ground. When he kicked it loose it proved to be a mattock used for grubbing. Without giving it much examination he tossed it into his automobile and took it home. Later in looking at the instrument he discovered the initials.

The place where the mattock was found is only a few yards from the spot where the offut store once stood. Lincoln clerked there in 1831. Buried for close to 90 years, the tool was turned up by recent excavations, it is believed.

The grub hoe is made of good steel and clips time as it should be struck with another piece of steel. The initials are believed to be the handiwork of a village blacksmith whose shop was one of the favorite gathering places of the early inhabitants of New Salem.

Slogans of the Various Illinois Cities

JACKSONVILLE, ILL.—While Chicago says "I Will," Jerseyville says "Speed up." These slogans have their influence.

Some of the slogans of other Illinois cities are:

Lockport—City of Education.

Litchfield—This town wants you.

Rushville—The Golden Rule City.

Edwardsville—Edwardsville means Welcome.

Jerseyville—Speed up, you are welcome.

Abraham Lincoln and Douglas are buried here.

Macomb—The Hub of the Military Tract.

Sparta—Everybody works, nobody shirks.

Pontiac—A good login, look it over.

Cairo—Where the Athens of Egypt, Memphis, The Star of Empire and Corinthian—A Century old, still young.

Pontiac—The Chief City.

Rockford—Pure Spring Water.

Lincoln—Twelve thousand people-ex cept you a hearty welcome.

In some towns signs offer only a welcome to the best slogans. In others the city officials are considering it their advantage in conducting a contest. In others the association of commerce picked up the line and so on.

In Sparta there were 1474 competitive slogans before the committee picked "Everybody Works, Nobody Shirks." In Macomb there were about 500 suggestions before one was selected. Staunton is still working on its slogan.

Nearly every city and village has a slogan of some kind and all the merchants seem to remember that Jerseyville invited them to "Speed Up."

Wuzel, Promising Four-Footed Student

BERKELEY, CAL. Wuzel, a brindle dog, half of the breeds, rescued from the pound, has become the first four-footed collegian. She is attending the University of California to demonstrate whether or not a dog can reason.

"Two days a week in the laboratory here where human and animal behavior are compared, this "subset dog in America" performs for Louis Pennier, the owner, an advanced student, and for Dr. E. C. Tolman, eminent animal psychologist who is directing the experiments.

And what she is doing is important for "folks everywhere because the study of animal intellect is a promising point in child training methods.

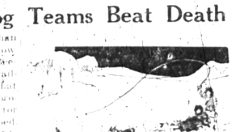
When examination papers record a surprising memory in fetching a dog-eared ball of paper after a considerable lapse of time between the word of command and the performance, Wuzel is given a bone for six to eight days, one half from the other room and the other distract her attention for a minute assisting him. Now what did I tell you to bring?" It must call the ball, having to select it from other objects, he would be going what Wuzel, the dog, was doing, and the psychologist would be judging the relative intelligence from thousands of repeated tests.

"This is known to the scientific sharps as "delayed reaction," which simple though it seems lies close to the threshold of reason.

Wuzel's learning curve of the ball drops steadily, was completed in 87 days, from the 50 failures along the course.

When the cat came Wuzel Baker was found a playground. Hitherto she had been a wanderer from door to door. Another dog, with a taste for human flesh, had killed the chickens of a neighbor. Wuzel's master, Louis Pennier, a graduate student, could not keep her.

Physician and Dog Teams Beat Death



ANCHORAGE, ALASKA.—More than 1,000 miles of Alaskan winter snow trails were covered by Dr. J. H. Beckwith, Anchorage government road and bridge engineer, and his team of prodigious dogs, one of the longest runs of its kind ever made by a doctor in response to a call from a sick child. It was a race to save the life of Claude Baker, 5-year-old son of Edward and Thelma Baker, children of Edward and Thelma Baker.

Once on the trip the temperature dropped 50 degrees below zero, and during a fierce gale raging for 48 hours without food or sleep, Dr. Beckwith and his dogs, four relays of huskies and a dog tender, who waited for Dr. Beckwith every 50 to 75 miles along the route.

Dr. Beckwith reached Nenana, 360 miles from Anchorage, in 36 hours and 30 minutes, and there changed to a motor car for the remaining 60 miles to Fairbanks, where he arrived in 40 hours and 30 minutes after leaving Anchorage. The child's life was saved.

Left His Wife Because He Loved Her

CHICAGO.—John Andrews left his wife because he loved her too much. He went away without explaining and a careless word, as if he were going for a walk, but he sat down later beside a little stream under the "old stars" and wrote her why he never could come back. Mrs. Andrews told Judge Harry A. Lewis. She met Andrews in a London hospital where she was a war nurse, and was married to him after a short courtship.

He had been frightfully wounded in the fighting with the Canadian army in the war, she said. "I thought we were happy, when he

STATE OF MICHIGAN—In the Circuit Court for the County of Oakland in Chancery.

At a session of said Court, held at the Court House in the City of Pontiac on the 21st day of April A. D. 1921.

Present: The Hon. Frank L. Covert, Circuit Judge.

No. 5494

William H. Courtaine, Plaintiff,

vs.

James J. Keefer, William B. Schmuhl, Berle E. Moss, Melvin Mead, Thomas Lindenfelser, John D. Klassen, Alfred Lane, Arthur O. Gessert, Hiram N. Caswell, R. B. Passmore, (First name and residence both unknown), Charles Adams, William B. Throop, Dwight True, Emma Terwilliger, John Kuhn, Royal Terwilliger, George W. Bradley, Katherine A. Smith, Elsie Klett, R. T. Ward (First name unknown) personally well known), Percy Menzies, Gustav H. Sepull, William A. Stedman, Charles E. Lee, Harried E. Lee, Robert Ernst and Martha Ernst,

In this cause it appearing to the court that the names of Elsie Klett, Thomas Lindenfelser and William B. Schmuhl, unknown heirs, devisees, legatees and assigns, appear as having had at one time some right, title, interest or claim in and upon the following described land, situate and being in the Township of Waterford and known as Oakland and State of Michigan, and described as follows, to-wit:

The N. ½ of S. W. ¼, Sec. 3, The S. E. ¼ of N. W. ¼, Sec. 4, The east ½ of S. W. ¼ of N. W. ¼, Sec. 4, Also a triangular piece of land in S. W. corner of N. W. ¼ of Sec. 4, bounded as follows: Beginning at the S. W. corner of N. W. ¼ of Sec. 4, running east 10 rods, thence north 10 rods, thence west 10 rods, thence south 10 rods to place of beginning, containing ½ acres of land in triangular form, Also a piece of land in S. W. ¼ of N. W. ¼ of Sec. 4, described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at the S. W. corner of N. W. ¼ of Sec. 4, running thence