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SPORT FANS TURN TO BASKETBALL

With the advent of King Winter, sport enthusiasts on the Campus are turning more and more from football and its memories, to basket-ball, and forecasts as to the probable success of the Maroon and Cream squad in the coming campaign.

While prospects seem to be better than in years, inexperience is holding the squad back considerably. Coach Campbell has been working with just about every possible combination in the past two weeks, in an effort to find a group which will click with invariable smoothness and regularity. Although there has been no definite cut, Gussin, Tromaster, Brown, Dean, Crowell, Sharp, Williams, Crawford, Wehrly, Borton, and Gray seem most likely to see service this year.

Although the conference schedule does not call for a game until Jan. 9, negotiations are under way with several teams in Detroit and surrounding area, for practice contests to be scheduled during the Holiday period.

Schedule:

Jan. 9—Kalamazoo, there.

Jan. 14—Albion, there.

Jan. 21—Hope, here.

Jan. 30—Hillsdale, there.

Feb. 4—Olivet, here.

Feb. 6—Michigan State, there.

Feb. 10—Albion, here.

Feb. 14—Olivet, there.

Feb. 17—Gen. Motors Tech of Flint, there.

Feb. 20—Kalamazoo, here.

Feb. 27—Hillsdale, here.

Mar. 6—Hope, there.

ALMA NEG. DEBATE CENTRAL STATE

A heated verbal contest was held last Thursday night in the Chapel when the Alma negative debate team clashed with the Mt. Pleasant affirmative team in the third pre-season practice debate this year on the question: "Resolved, That the Several States Shall Enact Legislation providing for a System of Compulsory Unemployment Insurance to Which the Employer Shall Contribute." The debate featured two-man teams, Ollis and DeWilde of Alma upholding the negative and Schmidt and McPhail of Mt. Pleasant defending the affirmative. A small audience heard the contest.

Promptly at eight o'clock the debate began with Professor Herman Spencer acting in the capacity of chairman. Baene and Brown kept the time.

The first affirmative speaker admitted that he affirmative had no cut and dried plan to present, but dwelt on the value of insurance in general and the great value that it would have in times like the present.

Ollis, for the negative, admitted that the situation as we face it at present is serious but said that a system of insurance was not the way to solve the problem and that insurance of this type is unjust.

Schmidt, for the affirmative, showed that the insurance would be both just and practicable, that such plans are now working and that they deserve a chance at solving the problem of unemployment.

DeWilde, for Alma, showed that such plans have failed wherever they have been tried and cited the cases of Germany, England and Wisconsin. This was DeWilde's second appearance on the college platform.

In the refutation, both sides attacked major issues. Probably the most ground was gained by Ollis with his vicious attack on the solutions presented by the affirmative.

There was no decision. The next debate will be with Adrian immediately after the Christmas vacation, unless a debate with Calvin College of Grand Rapids, which is hanging fire at this time, is arranged to precede it.

Phi Phi Alpha pledged John Menoch of Detroit and Howard Hirschberg of Saginaw last week.

ALMA AFF. DEBATE MT. PLEASANT

Alma's affirmative debate team met the negative men of Mt. Pleasant Normal in the debate room of the teachers' college Tuesday night.

The question debated was that of "Unemployment Insurance."

Barker Brown opened the case for the affirmative, by showing that there was a need for action; that since the employer would not take the responsibility for the action, the states must compel them.

John Stokes opened the case for the negative, by showing that there were a number of causes for unemployment; that the problem was an economic one; and hence, legislation was not needed.

Don Blackstone concluded the constructive argument for the affirmative, by agreeing with the negative that the problem was an economic one, and presenting an economic solution in the form of an insurance policy against unemployment.

Alfred Hall concluded the case for the negative, by showing that unemployment insurance was impractical and unjust.

Professor Spencer, Ollis and DeWilde accompanied the debaters.

As this was one of the pre-season debates, there was no decision.

League Standings

Intramural			
	W	L	Pct.
Novak	3	0	1.000
Dawson	2	1	.667
Bushnell	1	2	.333
Bain	0	3	.000
Inter-Fraternity			
	W	L	Pct.
Zeta Sigma	2	0	1.000
Phi Phi Alpha	1	1	.500
Beta Tau Epsilon	0	2	.000

PHILO'S HOLD ANNUAL FAIR LAST SATURDAY

The annual Philo Fair, held in Wright Hall, Saturday, December 13, was a success financially, socially and artistically. The reception room was transformed by snow-white glittering booth filled with novelties, baked goods, candy and embroidery, and by small Christmas trees, wreaths, and bells. The tearoom, located in the Y. W. room, did a flourishing business, attracting many customers.

The main attraction was the "jitney dance," which lasted from one to four o'clock—five cents a dance or six dances for a quarter. The music was furnished by Paul Bennett's orchestra.

Among the customers were members of the college Faculty and townspeople, who by their patronage have always helped to make the Philo Fair a success.

INTERNATIONAL REL. GROUP MEETS

The International Relations Club met at Wright Hall on December 11, 1930. The President informed the group that it had received Italy and Chile for representation at the Model Assembly for this year. Definite assignment for work will be made after Christmas vacation.

The Club has received a number of books from the Carnegie Foundation, and Dorothy Noyle has complete charge of the International material at the College Library.

The topic for discussion was Russia. Dorothy Noyle gave a verbatim report of the cross-examination of communistic leaders by the House Committee, which is investigating the communistic movement in the United States. It has been estimated that the voting power of he communistic group in the United States is 100,000. Further proceedings of the House Committee can be followed in the New York Times.

Bob Randals gave us some interesting facts about Russian daily life. Every member of the family works; they eat in community houses, and have no Sunday. So it is rare that a family ever gets together for a holiday. And speaking of "rushin'"—they only allow 17 minutes for meals. Shurley Hirschberg gave a pessimistic report about the future, entitled, "Stalin Forecasts War." The theme was the decay of capitalism, which is causing the present economic depression.

LIT. CLASS WRITES MANY FINE SONNETS

Each year it has been the custom for Professor Hamilton to have his class in English Literature put their finer and higher thoughts to words in the form of a sonnet. Each member of the class writes one. The results are very interesting and amusing.

The class this year boasts of some remarkable poets and some remarkable new rhymes discovered by earnest and diligent poetry-loving students. According to time-revered custom the three best sonnets selected by the class at large are published in the Almanian.

First place was taken this year by Cora Lewis. Josephine Woodward, Sue Gilam and Janet Owen won second, third and fourth places respectively.

A FANTASY

By Cora Lewis, English Lit.
I dreamed I moved alone in fairyland
In close communion with an elfin world,
About me sprightly dancers gaily whirled
To lilting lyrics from a spirit band.
Around deep magic pools, on glistening sand,
In maddened ecstasies, they bent and twirled.
Sweet garlands, by the murmuring breeze unfurled
Perfumed the air.—'Twas all so grand,
O, would that life were always at its spring,
That youth could dance forever at the lute,
Drown all its sorrows, and to cares be mute;
But life forever is a fleeting thing,
Mourn not our life which flees like dreams away,
We still can dream this dream another day.

SONNET ON DEATH

By Josephine C. Woodard, Eng. Lit.
Fast as the flight of some sweet-winged bird
Against a changing sky of dull and bright;
My soul too soon the call of death
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TAU SIGMA GAMMA WEIGHTS ANCHOR

Anchors aweigh, and the good ship, Wright Hall, pulled out on the Tau Sigma Gamma student cruise Thursday evening, Dec. 11, carrying the new girls of Alma College and the Tau Sig girls. The fourth deck was given over to the student tourists.

Every tourist was examined by Dr. Vera White as they entered and were conducted over the ship. At last they were left to do as they wanted, that is, practically as they wanted. The lounge and library was at first the center of interest, but soon the music proved that a dance hall was near at hand. Such a place, alive with merry dancers and a "marvelous vic."

Bridge turned out to be the big attraction. No "gamb'ing" was allowed and only groups of friends played so there was no fancy dealing from the bottom of the deck. Suddenly someone discovered a golf course. The call ran over the ship and soon the Beta Tau motor boat golf course was used as it never was before. There were some real golf fans on board. Yes, and croquet, too. Prof. Tyler was terribly disillusioned because when he went in he thought croquette meant food.

At 8:45 came the call to luncheon on the deck, the Philo room. The natty crew came in singing and carrying food. Such food, Anchors Away, Bon voyage, Japanese nectar, Des Petites Gateaux (Miss Foley kindly note) and Life-savers.

At last the program. First, an impromptu piano solo by Claire Wilson and a solo by Miss Hazel Bawker. Prof. Tyler then, as one of the guests, gave an informal talk about the London Tower. Imagine if you can the Tower in 1918 in the dark and fog when England feared bombs every moment, then think of it in 1930, a marvelous sight to behold, so strong and stately. All the tourists will tell you about it.

At last after a reading by Lillian Leyrer, the cruiser anchored safe in Alma again. Only one man fell overboard and he was rescued by a brawny sailor.

PRESIDENT CROOKS TALKS AT COE

Dr. H. M. Crooks, Alma College President, was the principal speaker for the Founder's Day Celebration at Coe College, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, last week, Friday, December 5. Services were held in the T. M. Sinclair Memorial Chapel.

President Crooks spoke on "The Growth of Personality." He has been President of Alma College for sixteen years and is a speaker of considerable repute. He is President of the Higher Education section of the Michigan State Teachers' Association, of the Association of Non-State Colleges of Michigan, and a member of the State Commission of the National Economic League and of the Board of Christian Education of the Presbyterian Church.

The history of Coe College has been written by Professor E. M. Eriksson, former head of the Coe History Department. This will be later published in book form and sent to various friends of that institution.

The Board of Trustees of the college voted to formally observe the founding of the college through a period of five years and appointed Professor Eriksson as official historian to write a series of five booklets presenting periods of the history of the college. This was in 1926 and the first booklet appeared in 1927 and sketched the character and background of the founders; the second was concerned with the Cedar Rapids Collegiate Institute; the third dealt with Parsons Seminary; and the fourth will give the details of the Coe Collegiate Institute. The last booklet will be prepared for publication next year and will bring the history of the college up to date and will embody the materials of the four preceding booklets.

KAPPA IOTA TAKES IN MANY NEW MEMBERS

The Kappa Iota Literary Society held its annual pledge dinner, Monday, Dec. 2, 1930. The tables were artistically decorated with purple and gold candles, and bouquets of calendulas and baby "mums."

Each pledge received a hat brush of many colors with the society colors predominating. Silhouette place cards designated each little sister by her big sister.

The guests of honor were: Dean Stewart, Mrs. Campbell, Mrs. Lobdell and Miss Banta.

At 7:30 the same evening the pledges were formally received into Kappa Iota.

PROF. RANDELS MAKES PREDICTIONS

Basing his decision upon a study of the Philosophical Background of Modern States, Professor Randels, in an address before the Faculty and visitors in the reading rooms of the Library last Wednesday evening, predicted the failure of the present rulers in Russia and Italy. The address, received by an unusually attentive and interested audience, was replete with interesting facts tending to show how nations are governed by philosophical systems and was generously interspersed here and there with the always acceptable Randelian humor. The speaker not only discussed the philosophy which governs the various states of Europe today, but also traced their history along this philosophical basis and, more important, attempted to foretell their logical future, either success or failure, depending on the value of the philosophy by which they are ruled and how faithfully they follow that system in the future.

Quoting Prof. Randels: "I wish to point out the inconsistency in both Italy and Russia." (Inconsistency in following Hegelian Absolutism). "Logically there is no finality. Each new synthesis becomes thesis in a new program of progress. Now in both countries the present political order is considered final and perfect.—Strange inconsistency. They are condemned out of their own philosophy. Dogmatism will be their undoing. To stand in the way of new developments in their own organism means failure."

PHIS ENJOY CHRISTMAS PARTY

Thirty Phis with their girl friends can't be wrong, and thirty Phis with their girl friends pronounced the Annual Christmas Party of Phi Phi Alpha the peppiest and the best ever held. The party was held in the High School gymnasium at St. Louis last Friday night from eight-thirty to twelve o'clock.

Ninety-nine per cent of a party is the orchestra and one per cent is the floor. Both were perfect last Friday. The orchestra was Ernie Elchorn's "Valley Revelers" and consensus of opinion was that it was the best orchestra that has ever played at a college party.

The couples began to arrive about eight-thirty and from then to the last strains of Home Sweet Home a good time was had by all. After the dancing was nicely under way the punch was served and the candy canes came from somewhere.

The Gym was beautifully decorated in Christmas colors and added the atmosphere of the festive holiday season. Guests Professor and Mrs. Clack, Dean Stewart and Miss Foley were the chaperones. The Phis also invited the Presidents of the other two fraternities as their guests. These were Leslie Harris, President of Beta Tau Epsilon, and Clyde Carter, President of Zeta Sigma. The attractive dance programs carried out the Christmas theme.

The Phis usually hold this party the night before the beginning of Christmas vacation. The date was moved ahead to accommodate the Upper Peninsula Club because of its party on that date. The same orchestra will play at that dance also. It will be the first party the Upper Peninsula Club has given so be sure to not miss it.

ANNUAL PLANS ARE PROGRESSING NICELY

The completion of the Senior and Junior sections of the Maroon and Cream evidence that the editor's hope of making this year's Annual the most complete pictorial review which the College has had, is being realized. The upperclass groups, which went to the engravers yesterday, show results which are especially pleasing to the Annual staff, and which indicate that interest in the Annual is running at an extraordinarily high level this year. Every member of the Senior Class will have his picture in the class group, giving a total of forty-one, and all but one individual of the seventy-three members of the Junior Class will have his picture in the third-year section. While the underclass groups have not yet been completed, indications are that the Sophomores and Freshmen will be represented equally as well as the upperclass groups.

Work on the snap shot pages is progressing well, but there is still room for a number of "shots" of Campus life. The snap shot editors request that all students who have any sort of snap shot depicting some phase of student life, which they feel will be suitable for publication, turn them over to some member of the staff before the Christmas holidays.

One of the most attractive sections of this year's book will be the sport section. Several innovations will be introduced in this department and according to Arthur Crawford, the sports editor, they will add considerably to the effect of the book. The outstanding feature will be the use of individual pictures in place of the group photo that has been used in previous years.

Although the book is to be the publication of the Junior Class, Editor McLehlan asks that any member of the student body who has suggestions that will add to the attractiveness and the completeness of the Annual turn them in to any member of the editorial staff.

Clark Jamieson, business manager, announces that while the financial outlook is not as bright as it might be because of the general economic depression, advertising and sales reports at this early date point toward a success that will rival the promise of the editorial staff.

The sale of the Annual will start immediately after the Christmas vacation. (Continued on Page 4)

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The Almanian wishes to extend to all its readers the best wishes for health, wealth and happiness at this holiday season.
 The Staff

CHRISTMAS GIFTS

Queer mail comes to the editor and plenty of it, too. The other day a series of news and feature releases came from the Household Magazine of Topeka, Kansas. One of them, concerning Christmas gifts for the ladies, follows:

What the Ladies Like for Christmas Gifts

"Chief among the Christmas gifts this year," wagers Reta Rigney, "will be those cunning little billfold Christmas cards holding dollars from bewildered menfolks who couldn't, wouldn't or didn't receive helpful, seasonable hints."

This certainly is a life saver to college men. Now all you have to do is bundle up a dollar and give it to her and let her do the worrying over what to buy herself.

YOUR PAPER?

The Editor is prompted to tell you once more that the Almanian is "the student publication of Alma College," and as such it is your paper. The editor has sought to make this plain to you through the medium of the paper itself. Some of the students have responded very well but the majority of them have not. If you wish to consider the Almanian your paper as you should consider it, you must seek to get into the hands of the staff the special material or thoughts that you would like to see in print.

It has been the policy of the Almanian to print everything that could possibly be printed that came to the staff from the student body and the staff has earned much very warranted rebuke therefrom. This week appears in the column entitled, "The Student Forum," the first article that has been turned in by one of the student body in quite some time.

Aside from articles, it has always been the policy of the Almanian to consider suggestions and to make changes which the student body has deemed necessary.

To resolve the proposition in simple terms: if you want the Almanian to be your paper you must help to make it so. Make the suggestions you wish to make and write the articles you wish to write yourself. Don't wait for the other fellow to do it.

KEEPING CHRISTMAS

It is a good thing to observe Christmas day. The mere marking of times and seasons when men agree to stop work and make merry together is in itself a wise and wholesome custom. It reminds a man to set his little watch now and then by the great clock of humanity. But there is a better thing than the observance of Christmas day and that is keeping Christmas.

Are you willing to forget what you have done for other people and to remember what other people have done for you? To stop asking how much your friends love you and to ask yourself whether you love them enough? To ignore what the world owes you and to think what you owe the world? Are you willing to stoop down and consider the needs and desires of little children, to remember the weakness and loneliness of those who are growing old; to bear in mind the things that other people have to bear in their hearts; to make a grave for your ugly thoughts and a garden for your kindly feelings with the gate open; to trim your lamp so that it will give more light and less smoke and to carry it in front of you so that your shadow will fall behind you? Are you willing to do these things even for a day? Then you can keep Christmas.

Are you willing to believe that love is the strongest thing in the world—stronger than hate, stronger than evil, stronger than death, and that the blessed life which began in Bethlehem nineteen hundred years ago is the image and the brightness of the eternal love? Then you can keep Christmas; and if you can keep it for a day, why not for always? But you cannot keep it alone.

—Henry Vandyke.

STUDENT FORUM PLEDGES WORK

Life isn't all a great dream, and Fraternities are not all a lot of fun, and a jeweled fraternity pin. Like other good things in life, they cost a lot—a lot in money and a lot in time and effort. Pledges to the various fraternities found that out recently with the beginning of house work and house duties. These are a part of the initiation and will be continued throughout the remaining part of the year.

The Broom and Dustpan Crew has invaded the several frat houses and staged a regular clean-up. A good thing it is, too, for some of our houses have been very much in need of just such treatment. Now is the time that when grave old Seniors may enjoy the comfort of life and the benefits of their superior stations.

Last week Phi Phi Alpha initiated some men into the first degree of that society. Soon the rest of the fraternities will be initiating their men. This is pleasing to some and not so pleasing to others.

Soon we will hear the unfortunate society pledges calling out the time from the housetops or riding saw-horses to meals and classes. Old students will remember last year when Zeta Sigma had such a hard time finding a "horse" short enough for Smitty to ride.

The upshot of the whole matter is just this: Fraternities are nice things and it is all right to make the freshmen work and do a lot of other things in reason. The thing is all in fun and should be handed out as such and accepted as such. However, fun ceases to be fun at certain points and no society has the right to impose its initiation on the college at large. There are many who do not care for it.

Non-Society-Man.

STUDENT COUNCIL (Crowded out last week.)

The regular meeting of the Student Council was called to order Dec. 3 1930, by the President, Al Dean.

A bill for seventy cents was presented by the Treasurer, Al Royer. Motion was made by Crawford supported by Smith, that this bill be paid. Carried.

The most important discussion was about the Annual Football Banquet. The following committees were appointed:

Al Royer, Art Crawford—General Arrangements.

Charlotte Dakin, Kellogg Beach Sales Richter—Decorations.

Dorothy Doyle—to see Miss Houser about a date for the Banquet.

Motion by Royer for adjournment Meeting stood adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
 Dorothy Noyle, Sec.

WEEKLY NOVELETTE SAD, SAD STORY

Once upon a time there went to Alma College, on the Pines, a College for Character and Characters, (See Vol. IX of Red Ericson's Famous Sayings and Phrases) a little co-ed. Now this little girl was some "blinker"; Boy, what a babe. (See Vol. II of Gus Heerschap's Current College Slang!) Three years she grew midst sun and showers, (See Mr. Longfellow) and she never fell in love. (See Modern College Fairy Stories by Jack Cook.) But Alas, all good things must come to an end (See an undertaker.)

In her third year of Academic work (See the Alma College Bulletin) she fell quite in love (See Vol. I½ of College Customs Such as Love, by Earle Lyman) with a young man who swiped in the Wright Hall dining room. She grew pale and very thin because at meal time she could do nothing but sit and watch him eat. However, he was so absorbed in his eating that he could never notice her (See Traditions of the Swipe Force, by Smokestack McClellan.) But even when he was not eating he did not seem to pay any attention to her. Perhaps this was because he did not think that he had a chance with her and perhaps it was because he was well read in the rules of Wright Hall dating as propounded and observed by that august body, The Wright Hall League, including the "crashers" and did not feel that he ought to "cut in." (See the unwritten Constitution of the Wright Hall League, Section 9, which states that when a girl has more than two dates with the same fellow they are going steady.) Anyway this little girl loved the swipe in a big way.

Finding that he was reticent for some unknown reason or another she commissioned a friend or two to tell "the big moment" that she would appreciate a date. (See Date Procuring for Girls, by Helen Logan.) Now this friend was a talkative fellow and proceeded to tell the swipe all the inside dope (See the Faithfulness of Men, by Sheila Littleton.) Now the boy friend was bashful and knowing this he could not do right by the little girl. This was because of two reasons, the first financial, and the second being because he was too popular and had at that time too many girls to do

right by any of them.

So our heroine watched nightly by the phone and in vain. (See pamphlet entitled Agitation for More Phone Booths in Wright Hall, by Steve Crowell.) It was very sad to see her sitting there thus. Resolving to drown her troubles in food, she ate, and ate, and ate. In fact, she overate and died. (See Wherley on "Sad Cases I Have Known.")

Moral—Don't overeat in Wright Hall.

PILO PANTZ



There has been a great deal of discussion of late as to who is that master detective who has figured so prominently in college life this year. Some have gone so far as to suspect that it was the Colonel, and others have just doubted his reality at all. However, he is a real live detective and the latest photograph of him taken which appears above will show that this is the truth.

The exclusive staff photo shows the famous master mind, in a favorite pose. The figure appearing beside

him is the number of difficult cases he has solved. Pilo Pantz is the gentleman's name. He has recently solved the mysteries of "The Teeth in the Soup" and "The Great Candy Steal." Ballyhoo Heerschap threatens to summon him unless the Blackhand refrains from putting him on the spot. It is the opinion of the great detective that the bat captured some time ago by Professor McCurdy is not the original Bat of Mary Roberts Rhinehart's story. Folks, meet Pilo Pantz

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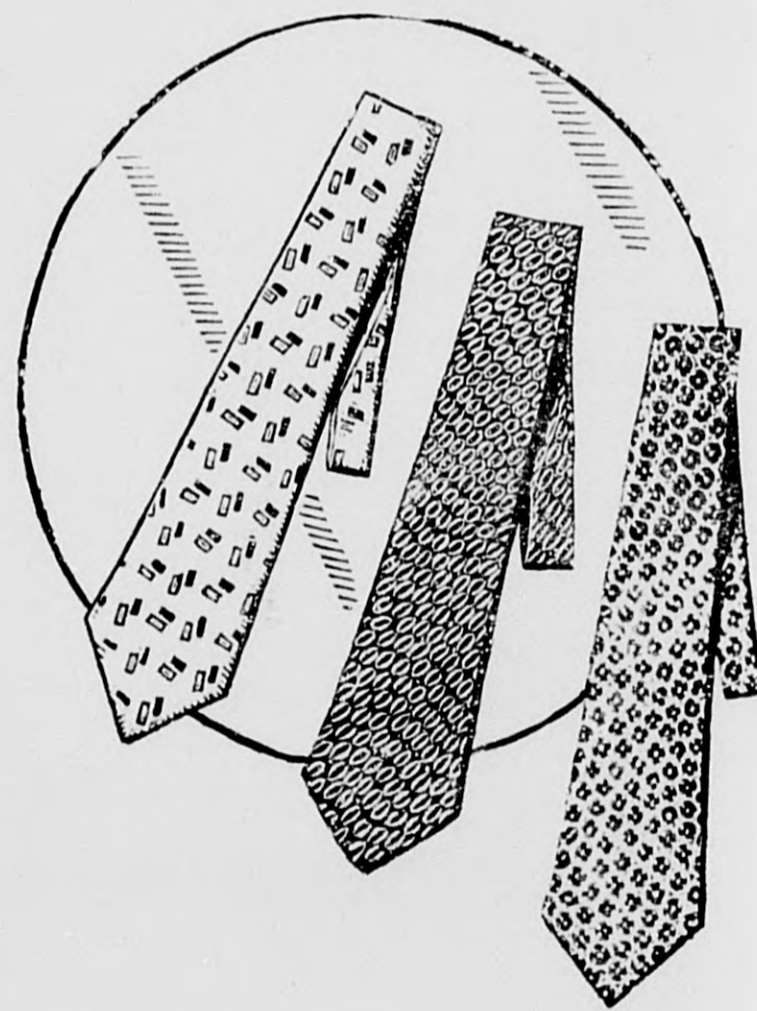


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WRIGHT HALL NOTES

Quite a busy week-end at Wright Hall! Inasmuch as it's nearing the Holiday season, the Co-eds have been quite busy! What with the Christmas parties, Bazaars and all!

Friday night was the annual Phi Christmas Party. There was the usual hustling about that precedes such an event. Whatever happened at the party must have been very delightful for when the girls finally returned, comments such as these were heard: "Oh, that was the most marvelous band!"—"the lighting? Oh, tres bien!" And those who were fortunate enough to have been at the dinner in the private dining room of the Wright House were still commenting on the good steaks. The food comments, however, were short-lived, for if you only knew just how hungry the inmates are at that hour!

The most delightful event of the year in Wright Hall is the Philo Fair. The whole Hall looks forward to it. This year 'twas as lovely as usual. Everyone enjoyed themselves at the Jitney Dance, and the students enjoyed "looking" at the display of Christmas wares. Lucky for the Philos that the fair attracts others than the students. Thus the Fair was a success financially.

Perhaps it isn't the time and place for bed-time stories, but this one is a really true one. Perhaps you won't recognize it in its disguise, but nevertheless try this one:

Did you ever hear of the story of the four bears—two baby cubs and two older bears. One night they decided to have porridge. The older bears let the baby cubs dish the porridge. The baby cubs asked the older bears why they (mind you, giving orders to their superiors—such audacity!) didn't take some porridge to their good neighbors. Wouldn't you know the older bears were so obliging that they really carried out the orders given them by the two baby cubs. While at the neighbors one older bear said to the other: "Something tells me we'd better hurry back." And sure enough, on the way back they ran into one of the baby cubs making its get-away with heaping bowls of porridge! There was scarcely enough left for the two older bears.

The moral of this story is: Be careful of the young ones—and they'll get you, too, Sophs, if you don't watch out! Are you sure you are checking up on these Frosh?

Maybe there will be more bed-time stories—if we see some more examples of Frosh nerve—we'll let you in on it, Sophs!

ARE WORKING STUDENT SELF- CENTERED?

An editorial in the Oregon State Daily Barometer has raised a good deal of adverse comment on the Campus. The editorial stated that sympathy and glory given to the man who works his way through college is wasted. "Outside work makes the student self-centered; scholastic, social and athletic activities are neglected in the pursuit of money."

Several students replied to the editorial and all of them agreed that the self-supporting student cannot be called self-centered and that because of his economic status, he has more vigor and confidence in college as well as in later life than the student who is supported by his family. One letter gives the following statistics:

"There were 75% of the male students on this campus last year who earned one-half or more of their college expenses; 45% earned all, 24% earned one-half, 3.1% earned one-third; 10.5% earned some of their expenses and only 11.6% out of the entire male students depended on the efforts of someone else. It would be a rather difficult and undesirable task to prove that 88.4% of the men on the Oregon State Campus were self-centered and lacking in scholastic, social and recreational standing."

"The Athenaeum" contains an article which combines the two contrasting opinions given above. It says that although the working student "gets less from his academic work... he almost always possesses a broader outlook than the other group. He is able to see college as a means to an end—that of coping with the business world; whereas the other type of student views college as a separate unit of society and measures life from its angle."

The author of the article says further: "Academic training cannot mean much to the student who must be occupied with other things. What might

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And many
Other unusual
items
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be done to great advantage, however, would be to spend a year or even a summer in some gainful occupation and later to assume the duties of college student. Such objective would give not only a grasp of business situations when one has completed his college course, but would make him more likely to determine relative values while in college, which seems to be a needful attitude."

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