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PLANS COMPLETE FOR GRADUATION

Commencement Invitations Mailed; Farewell Communion Sunday Morning.

With final examinations only a few days off, term papers in the finishing processes, and farewells already in the air, the President and Faculty have sent out invitations for the Alma College Commencement program of 1934. The week's exercises are scheduled to begin next Sunday morning, and will end Saturday, June 9, with the Commencement luncheon in the Grove. The program follows:

Sunday, June 3—

11:00 a. m.—Farewell Communion. First Presbyterian Church. Rev. Willis L. Gelston, Pastor.

7:30 p. m.—Baccalaureate Address. President Harry Means Crooks. First Presbyterian Church. Thursday, June 7, Senior Class Day.

8:30 a. m.—Senior Class Breakfast at the home of President and Mrs. Crooks.

8:30 p. m.—Grand Concert. A Cappella Choir. First Presbyterian Church. (Admission free. Silver offering).

Friday, June 8—Alumni Day—

10:00 a. m.—Annual Meeting of the Board of Trustees.

12:30 p. m.—Faculty-Trustee Luncheon. In the Grove.

2:00-5:30 p. m.—Faculty-Alumni-Students Golf Tournament.

4:00 p. m.—Tea for Mothers of Seniors, by Dean Steward. Wright Hall.

6:00 p. m.—Alumni Dinner and Business Meeting. First Baptist Church. (Tickets 50c).

8:15 p. m.—Senior Promenade

9:00 p. m.—President's Reception at the home of President and Mrs. Crooks. All friends of the College invited.

Saturday, June 9, Commencement

9:45 a. m.—Academic Procession from Wright Hall.

10:00 a. m.—Commencement Exercises. Memorial Gymnasium. Commencement Address by Mr. W. J. Cameron of Detroit.

12:15 p. m.—Commencement Luncheon. In the Grove.

REUNIONS PLANNED AT ALUMNI BANQUET

Lowell Hudson, Philadelphia, of the class of 1924, has been invited to act as toastmaster at the annual Alumni Banquet, according to an announcement by Stanley Vliet, president of the Alumni Association. Hudson's class will celebrate its tenth anniversary. Other classes holding reunions this year are: 1929, 1919, 1914, 1909, 1904, 1899, and 1894.

The dinner will be held at the First Baptist Church at six p. m., Friday night, June 8, just before the Senior Promenade and reception at the President's home. The price is fifty cents per plate. Members of the present graduating class are invited.

Dean James E. Mitchell is in charge of reservations, and would like to know at once those who expect to come. Last year a number came for whom reservations had not been made, and several were turned away.

Miss Ward Entertains Tau Sigma Gamma Group

Miss Annette P. Ward, Librarian, held the annual Patronesses' Dinner for Tau Sigma Gamma at her home Friday evening, May 25. College girls present were Doris Whitney, Vera Bradford, Frances Rice, Thelma Strong, Edith Walker, Reva Smilansky, and Betty Chapin.

After a delightful dinner the girls withdrew to the fireside for their weekly meeting. Final arrangements were made for an all-day picnic on Sunday, May 27, at Crystal Lake.

ATTENTION, STUDENTS

Due to conditions not controlled by us, we regret to say that the Maroon and Cream will be late in coming out. We cannot even guess when it will be ready, but the chances are it will not be in Alma before Commencement Day. However, every Maroon and Cream that is paid for in advance will be mailed out promptly to the student. If you have not paid for your copy in full, make arrangements as soon as possible so there will be no further slip. Ward Campbell, Editor. Louis Meisel, Business Mgr.

To High School Graduates of 1934:

We at Alma are glad to say our word of congratulation to the high school graduates of Michigan.

We wish that we older people had succeeded more perfectly in preparing the world for your entrance. Only a few years ago high school graduates could expect immediate employment at very good wages, wages which were perhaps beyond their real value to industry. Employment is hard to find in these days. It is quite probable that the needs of industry will for several years continue to be such that youths just out of high school will not find gainful occupation.

The college does not desire to become simply a boarding house for these young people. Nor does the college care to become what the Europeans would call a concentration camp. We believe that the college is a training school fit for the needs of superior youths graduating from high school.

We emphasize the fact that the college asks for superior young people. We do not mean necessarily that only valedictorians and salutatorians of high school classes are satisfactory college material. We do, however, desire that students come to college with abundant purposes to work, to live sanely, and to develop themselves to the utmost.

Usually the high school graduate who has not found study a pleasure, who has maintained

grades that are barely passing, who has found no field of study more interesting than any other: usually, I say, such students are not likely to succeed in college. Colleges are quite generally refusing students who fall in the lowest third of a graduating class. The college is first of all a place for the training of the mind. There are those who insist that character should be placed ahead of scholarship in the list of the college's aims and efforts. With these we have no quarrel, but we hope that character will come as a result of improved thinking. We expect character to result from mental industry under the proper guidance.

Alma offers a course in liberal training on a parallel with the University of Michigan College of Literature, Science and Arts. We do not furnish technical training. Our students leave us to enter schools of engineering, schools of law, schools of medicine and other professional institutions. An increasing number of them find their way into the superior graduate schools of America and are making a reputation for the college by their excellent accomplishment.

We do not expect all high school graduates of Michigan to enter our institution, but will be pleased to help any to a consideration of college opportunities by furnishing information concerning Alma College.

HARRY MEANS CROOKS,
President.

ELECTIONS HOLD CAMPUS INTEREST

Campbell, Boynton, Fortino in 3-Way Fight for Almanian Editorship.

One of the most exciting elections in years awaits the student body this Thursday when an all-college vote will be taken on campus officers. Ward Campbell's petition to the Student Council for the right to compete in the race for Almanian editorship came as a surprise after local factions had nominated Arthur Boynton, Grand Rapids, and Alfred Fortino, Alma. Campbell's entrance makes probable a three-way split in votes, with a Junior, a Sophomore, and a Freshman vying against each other for the most coveted office.

Another unusual element in this year's election is the appearance of nominations for editor and business manager of the Maroon and Cream. Up until this year the Junior class has sponsored this publication and elected its own candidates. At Chapel time on Thursday, the voters will cast one ballot for general campus officers and another for class officers.

The following officers and names will appear on the campus ballot: Editor of The Almanian: Ward Campbell, Arthur Boynton and Alfred Fortino.

Business Manager of The Almanian: Emery Kendall and Joseph Vitek.

Editor of The Maroon and Cream: Luther Evans and Earl Tomes.

Business Manager of The Maroon and Cream: Robert Lehner and Robert Anthonisen.

Manager of Oratory and Debate: Earl Tomes and Claude Knight.

The following will run unopposed as requested by the Athletic Board of Control:

Student Manager of Athletics—Kellogg Beach.

President, Athletic Board of Control—Don Davis.

M. I. A. A. Representative—Gordon Clack.

Class Nominations

Another battle will probably be waged in class meetings for offices next year. Classes completed their nominations Thursday noon. Junior nominations are:

President: Kelly Beach and James Day.

Vice President: Florence Schwartz.

Secretary: Jean Fowler and Marion Nummer.

Treasurer: Gordon Clack and Myron Reyher.

Student Council: Stanley Busard, Robert Anthonisen, Helen Walker, Marian Laman and Paul Ditto.

Sophomore ballot:

President: LeRoy Block and Bruce York.

Vice President: Jane Allen and Gretchen Wilson.

Secretary: Greta Wilson and Louise Hagaman.

Treasurer: Mel Fuller.

Student Council: Cyril Lewis, Joseph Vitek, Arthur Boynton, Russell Ludwig, Elizabeth Ann Malcolm, and Constance Clack.

Freshman nominations:

President: Robert Culver and Robert Davies.

Vice President: Molly Parrish and Vesta Montague.

Secretary: Charlotte Striffler, Ralph Rapson and Opal Hines.

Treasurer: John Fraker and Christine Hoiland.

Student Council: Ben Ewer, Charles Smith, Joy Olney and Opal Hines.

ALMA RATES HALL OF STATES AT CHICAGO

With news that the World Fair at Chicago is again open to the public comes the information that Alma College was the only privately endowed college in Michigan to have its picture exhibited in the Michigan Building in the Hall of States last year. Every institution of higher learning supported by the state was shown in the pictures, and friends of this school were gratified to discover that Alma was equally honored.

The scene is an aerial view, the same as that printed on postal cards by the publicity committee earlier in the year. In addition to the picture of the College, the city of Alma was also represented by exhibitions of the Masonic Home.

The showing of this picture of the College suggests that the Michigan Building would be an excellent meeting place for the proposed Alma College Reunion at Chicago this summer.

GRADUATES GET TEACHING JOBS

Seniors Find More Opportunities Available Than in Past Few Years.

Several Seniors report that the outlook for jobs this year is much more promising than at any time since the depression. A number already have teaching positions throughout the state, others are optimistic over favorable "leads," and a few have obtained fellowships or scholarships in graduate schools.

Last week Gordon Dawson, Mabel Kennett, and Emily Nordling obtained teaching positions. Bud Dawson will have charge of coaching and will teach history at Mason. Mabel Kennett will teach history and typing next year at Lake City, where Alma College conducts its summer sessions. Emily Nordling will return to her home town of Caspian to do 5th grade work. Merrill Hendershott, '29, has a teaching position at Marshall.

Marion Day did substitute teaching at Breckenridge last week, in English, and mathematics. For next year, Frances Stephens has a teaching position at Kalkaska, Annabel DeKraker at Petersburg, and Benny Leyrer at the Business Institute in Saginaw. This is an unusually large percentage in the face of the fact that many school boards have not yet completed plans for next September.

Graduate Work Planned

A few students are contemplating graduate work next year. Aileen Waters has been awarded the Michigan Fellowship and will study French at Ann Arbor in the fall. John Menoch has a scholarship at the Presbyterian Theological Seminary at Chicago. Doris Whitney, '33, has been admitted to the medical school at Ann Arbor. Helen Louise Vincent will also go to the University of Michigan for graduate work in bacteriology. Edith Davis has a fellowship in the Child Welfare Department at Western Reserve University, in Cleveland.

Unusual Summer Positions

Bill Boyd will work at the Ford Republic, a training school for delinquent boys, near Detroit, this summer. Helen Vincent will teach physical education at Lake Missaukee. Gordon Clack will do chemical research at the Dow Chemical plant, in Midland. Marjorie Morrison and Evelyn MacCurdy refuse to reveal their plans. Many students have plans for various temporary occupations during the summer months.

They've got everything, style and smile and class and clothes: They've got everything, pep and red hair, things like those.

You'll sure want to see them. Margaret Beard, Marjorie Morrison, and Betty Dickinson in Daddy Long-Legs.

Student Council awards will be given Thursday in Chapel.

BACCALAUREATE PROGRAM SUNDAY

Seniors are reminded of the Farewell Communion Service to be held Sunday morning at the First Presbyterian Church. The class will meet in a body, wearing caps and gowns, fifteen minutes before the eleven o'clock service, and seats have been reserved in the front of the church.

Sunday evening Dr. Harry Means Crooks will deliver the Baccalaureate Address in the First Presbyterian Church at eight o'clock.

SENIORS LEAVE TROUBLES HOME

Skip Out to Crystal Lake Leaving Lectures, Quizzes and Chapel Cuts.

By devious routes and means the picnickers assembled at Crystal Lake. The Muscott Monastery was to be the chief aerie, but due to the presence of too many window-washers, the birds decided to fly to another coop. Hubbard, Vincent, Balfour and Estes formed the first foursome to start around the Crystal links, and within a half hour the whole party gathered around the golf course and environs.

Many other Scots took up the game of their honorable ancestors, and soon the course was about as safe for a casual observer as No Man's Land. It's strange how much suffering, animosity, anger, hatred, and pure cussedness that said little white pill can cause! The juvenile members of the aggregation played peeewee golf for a nickel a chance. Aitken and Painter won these contests by a nose, albeit many others were pressing them closely.

About noon the pangs of hunger seized every member present, and so directions to the nearest tourist camp were secured. However, these directions were given by a woman, and so the party did not find the place, until a native of this man's county lead the way to an ideal picnic spot. (Give the credit to Inie's Les).

Some of the men and boys forthwith gathered roots, and limbs, and trees, and fences, etc., to fix up a fire. A certain factor amazed all present, but Ron Bacon preserved the incident for posterity, when he snapped Novak and Dawson helping gather in the logs.

Finally the fire was going merrily, and so the steaks were applied to the home fires. A very satisfactory menu was presented, and Novak was satisfied for once. Some of the boys devoted their time to barnyard golf (horseshoes to you), until a pitch from the paw of the venerable Oakley knocked one of the stakes (unroasted) down.

Finally the party regathered at Crystal. Some for bathing purposes, some for golf, and then some of the celebrators wanted to enjoy themselves. The highlight of the whole day took place when Scotty Menoch parted with a quarter, think of it, after daring Haphazard Holland to come in the water, dispensing with the bath house services. This was an epochal moment, and John's ancestors certainly must have turned over in their graves.

The rest of the day was spent in a leisurely manner by the Sociable Seniors, and finally all returned, to meet in Alma for the remainder of the year, musing that our festive days are nearly at an end. Misses Banta and Gesner were the guests of the Seniors.

SUMMER SESSION BULLETIN READY

Four Faculty Members, One Student to Teach in June, July, at Lake City.

Bulletins for the second annual summer school conducted by Alma College are ready for distribution, according to an announcement from the College office. The summer session, which begins June 25 and ends August 3, will again be held at Lake Missaukee, Lake City.

Four members of the Alma College faculty and a present Senior will offer courses of instruction. Dean James E. Mitchell will return to teach history of the United States from the Revolution to the Civil War, and a course in American government. Dr. H. M. MacCurdy offers courses in Field Zoology and Physiology. Dr. George B. Randels will teach General Psychology, and general principles of Mental Hygiene, and Dean Florence M. Steward will teach principles of Sociology, and English literature, from Shakespeare to modern times. Helen Louise Vincent, who graduates next month, will teach Physical Education, and has charge of the recreational program of Lake City.

Last summer over sixty students enrolled at Lake Missaukee, where classes for college credit were held in the Lake City high school. Among the Alma College students who attended the summer session were: Eldon Aitken, Crosswell; Evelyn MacCurdy, Alma; Helen MacCurdy, Alma; Margaret Randels, Alma; Leslie Olmstead, Elwell; John Colbeck, Lexington; and Robert Campbell, Newberry.

GRADS GET PASTORATES

Lavon Winterberg, '33, a student at the Presbyterian Theological Seminary, Chicago, was on the campus last week. He expects to work in Charlevoix for the summer. Winterberg brings the news that Clifford McEvers and Dean Luginbill, both '33, and likewise students at Chicago, have summer pastorates. McEvers is in Lancaster, Kentucky, and Luginbill is preaching near Denver, Colorado.

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EVERY STUDENT GET A STUDENT

HAVE YOU BEEN TOLD HOW TO VOTE?

On Thursday of this week there faces the student body a duty—the duty to choose leaders for Campus activities next year. One might here hand out old bromides, such as "Vote for the best man," etc., except that a large share of the student body is already lined up behind its particular candidate or affiliate. Good Republicans do not vote for Democrats, and good Lutherans do not attend Methodist churches. The human race revels at being "with the ins." Only eagles and emancipated minds like Erasmus fly alone. Poor human race!

There will be no more interesting news this week than the results of the struggle for Almanian editorship. The unusual three-way fight makes the choice hard even for the student who tries to make an intelligent selection. Bud Campbell, editor of the Maroon and Cream, has been an associate editor of The Almanian this year, and has been doing the sports and features for two years. Arthur Boynton edited the Freshman paper last year, has been an associate on this staff, and has run a weekly column. Alfred Fortino has been a reporter this year, and put out a fine Freshman edition last week.

Perhaps it's a good thing to have Memorial Day in which to "think on these things, and ponder them." Fortunately in this enlightened day and age even college students use the secret ballot. Study the merits of all the people listed in today's news columns as candidates for major Campus offices. Leaders do not always develop merely by reason of having been voted an office. Intelligence is necessary in their selection; sometimes not even prayers can help afterwards.

Campus Politics

(By Arthur Boynton)

Students' Day has passed away, but the committee overlooked its most amusing entertainment for them. No, not a Missouri mule—the Student Council. It's a great show. Last week's skit was entitled "The Return of the Wayward", with Bull Smith as the hero.

It was rather slow at first as routine matters were disposed of, and the names of Seniors receiving awards were read. Discussion as to whether or not there should be an elective office of editor and business manager for the Maroon and Cream followed. Or rather, silence followed. Finally Miss Marge Morrison said it was a good idea; upon request Meisel said this too; in fact, he thought it so good that he made the motion they be made elective offices. Like most motions not calling for money or work, it passed. Oh, but not unblemished by human hands, for Lewis and Lehner tacked on a requirement that these offices be restricted to the two upper classes. Nominations for these and other campus offices then followed.

Woe and more woe! It was after this was completed that the Council went astray. Everyone became a defeatist for the moment. Motions for a Commencement Week dance and Student Council keys were voted down. For a few minutes the Council was actually jumping up and down (for rising votes). Then "Da Bull" Smith, visualizing the scorn and criticism that would be heaped on the Council, hurdled the waywardness and brought the boys and girls back to the old homestead by moving that all previous motions on keys and Commencement Week dance should be removed from the minutes. This passed, as did a third motion for a Commencement dance, and then the meeting was adjourned.

However, in all seriousness, the representatives of the Student Council are deserving of a lot of praise from their fellow students. They have given their services willingly and liberally. They have tried to do that which was "the greatest good for the greatest number." The financial situation has limited them considerably; likewise they have endeavored, and successfully, to keep your Student

Council from leaving such a debt (over \$50.00) as confronted them when they came into office last September. They've done well, shown excellent co-operation, tried to do the right thing, and their only reward is the honor of the office.

STUDENT FORUM

A letter appeared in the Almanian of last week which should not go unchallenged, first, because it showed the utter lack of any knowledge of the subject which the writer assumed he was writing about, and second because it might lead other people to the same mistaken conclusions.

In the first place, the Drama Club does not give plays for the benefit of its members; it never has, and the idea that it does is entirely new and foreign even to those who have worked for four years in the Club.

Regarding the suggestion that the Drama Club give plays for the benefit of other organizations, C. B. shows ignorance of the fact that the Drama Club has gone farther in debt than any other Campus organization in an effort to provide the best for the College and townspeople and that it has been trying vainly for the past three years to pay off that debt. Furthermore, there seems to be no apparent reason why anyone should be any more willing to see a play because the money was going to be handed over to another organization. This reductio ad absurdum might well have been considered before the above mentioned article was written. W. J.

Pre-Medics End Year With Special Exhibit

The final meeting of the Pre-Medic Club was held last Wednesday evening in the Chem Building. Pictures of a 3-day old baby, born with an abnormal lung and stomach condition, were shown. The child at birth had a connection between lungs and esophagus that brought about lung congestion and inability to get food into the stomach.

The Pre-Medics have had eight of these illustrations, accompanied by lectures, since their recent organization, and have plans for a splendid program next year. Hanley Rosenberg, Detroit, is president; Allen MacDonald, Clawson, vice president; elections will be held soon for secretary-treasurer.

CAMPUSOLOGY

Best crack of the week: Gretah asking John Boergert: "Are you going to the John tonight?"

Second best crack: Prof. Tyler in Ed Class: "Miss Woolley, if you could transport yourself anywhere now, where would you go?" Woolley: "To bed."

And speaking of Prof. Tyler, this was overheard as he passed a loving couple gazing at the pot-burning Campus night: "Be careful, there. Don't play with fire."

Mac Oakley tool li'l Schwartzie to a swell dinner Friday, and got home just in time so Janet could take him to the Ruggles party.

Steak roasting seems to have come into its own again. Feature Aileen and Bud, Alice and Max, Helen and Mac—just goin' up the lazy river.

Senior Skip Day turned into a sort of Frosh, Soph, and Junior co-operative affair. Witness Spindle and her Josie on their own little private roast; also King and McCallum, Dawson and Dickinson, Abie and the Sugar Beet queen. Oh well

Girvie's little boy Bunn thought it would be an easy matter to buzz and date one of the best looking practice teachers on the Campus.

Inie and Les, Helen Louise and her Russ thought they'd improve their knowledge of nature study by observing the minnows in the Pine on Sunday.

Walker wanted to see more of Les, to Mac went over and sat on the Zeta House steps.

When in Rome, do as you would be done by. When Josie orders coffee at Crystal—aren't we all?

At that, Colbeck had to reserve a special dining room.

Jean and Pudge did a big washing on Saturday—and he even took her shoes home to clean them.

As for the brass ears, Hagaman wanted to know what that crack meant!

Dirkie will be in Midland Tuesday. Just another Skip Day for Jean.

And speaking of duties—what duticus Senior is about to be called upon the carpet—and whatever for?

TEN MUSIC STUDENTS GIVE FINE RECITAL

The students of Miss Grace Roberts, piano teacher, and Prof. J. W. Ewer, voice teacher, gave their annual recital on Wednesday evening, May 23rd, in the College Chapel. The program which showed very evident progress since last year, delighted many townspeople and students.

All the pianists showed remarkable work in the way of technique, brilliancy and expression, yet each was different in that he put his own interpretation into the music. This was true also of the singers as each put a certain part of himself into the song. Students in the recital were: Ruby McVay, Elizabeth Frevert, Robert Campbell, Marion Laman, Spray Dehnke, Lawrence Smith, Josephine Elliott, Alberta Alexander, Edna Parker, and Mae Nelson.

Miss Roberts and Prof. Ewer have a right to feel that their efforts were rewarded in this fine performance.

STRAND THEATRE

Tuesday and Wednesday, May 29-30

BARBARA STANWICK, PAT O'BRIEN and JOEL McCREA in

"Gambling Lady"

Matinee Wednesday

News-Comedy 10-15c

Thurs. and Fri., May 31-June 1

BORIS KARLOFF, BELA LUGOSI and DAVID MANNERS in

"The Black Cat"

Karl, the "Frankenstein" and Lugosi the "Dracula" monsters in the wild weird story suggested by a story by Edgar Allan Poe.

News-Comedy 10-15c

Saturday, June 1

RICHARD BARTHELMESS in

"The Modern Hero"

ALSO STAGE SHOW

Matinee—2:30 P. M.

News-Comedy 10-15c

Sunday and Monday, June 2-3

CLARK GABLE, WM. POWELL, MYRNA LOY in

"Manhattan

Melodrama"

News-Comedy 10-15c

— ALMA THEATRE —

Friday and Saturday, June 1-2

KEN MAYNARD in

"Alias the Bad Man"

News—Serial—Comedy 10c

Sunday, June 3

JOHN BARRYMORE and BEBE DANIELS in

"Counsellor at Law"

News—Comedy 10c

Philos Enjoy 2-Day House Party at Lake

Fourteen Philos, with Miss Marjorie Gesner as chaperon, enjoyed a week-end house party at Crystal Lake. Kappa Iotas and Alpha Thetas held house parties last week-end.

Among the Philos who enjoyed two days of swimming, picnicking and other lake sports were: Florence McCallum, Spray Dehnke, Virginia Hill, Dorothy Hannigan, Helen Lelsz, Betty Tenney, Margaret Randels, Helen Reynolds, Mary Smith, Christine Hoiland, Opal Hines, Esther Kilmer, Helen and Tassie Jordan.

Learning should be a utility rather than an ornament.

NOTICE

Due to the fact that The Almanian went to press on Saturday, news of the M. I. A. A. track and other sport events will be held over until next week. The final edition of the paper will appear next Tuesday.

GEM THEATRE

ST. LOUIS

Sunday, Monday, Tuesday
May 27-28-29

FOUR MARX BROTHERS in
"DUCK SOUP"

Admission to this picture will be Adults 25c; Children 10c
My contract with Paramount Pictures forces me to this raise on this feature.

Wednesday, Thursday, May 30-31

Double Feature
JACK OAKIE, JACK HALEY,
GINGER ROGERS in
"Sitting Pretty"

Feature No. 2
FAY WRAY, RALPH BELLAMY
in

"Once to Every Woman"

Friday, Saturday, June 1-2
BUCK JONES in

"The Fighting Code"
Also Serial, Rin-Tin-Tin in
"THE WOLF DOG"

Sunday, Monday, June 3-4
MIRIAM HOPKINS, GARY COOPER,
FREDRIC MARCH in

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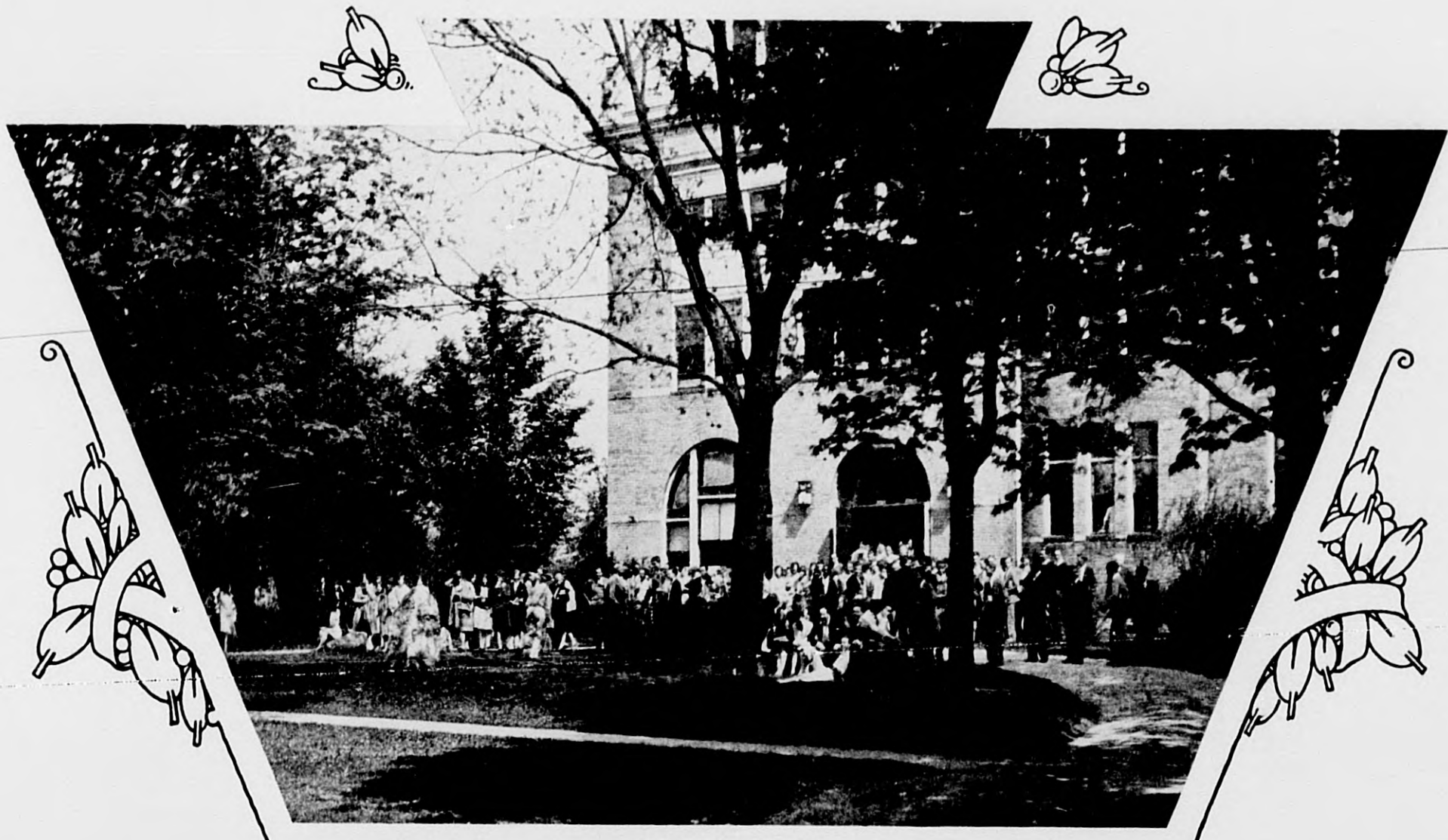
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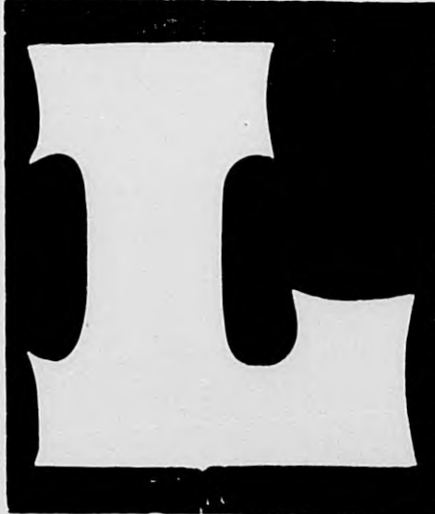


[CHAPEL TIME]



**Alma
College
Fulfills
These
Demands:**

1. A faculty of twenty-two well-trained scholars all of whom possess higher degrees and years of experience in class-room teaching direct the educational activities of the college. These teachers are in intimate contact with the problems of the world. With keen insight, they recognize the difficulties which the student must face and train him to meet them.
2. Alma is a youthful college, full of the vigor necessary to achieve the high ideals which have ever been the goal of her instruction. Former student generations have been inspired by the aims and principles of Alma and because of them have looked to the future filled with a real hope for achievement.
3. A small student body of 300 presents far greater opportunity for the development of friendships than that found in mass groups. A well-developed social program offers every possibility for the formation of lasting friendships. Furthermore, the ratio of faculty members to students is so high that instruction on a personal and friendly basis is possible.
4. Alma College has been a member of the North Central Association of Colleges for many years and its standing has never been questioned. Credits earned here may be transferred to any standard institution in the country. Many Alma alumni have been able to carry on graduate work at leading universities with great success.
5. Although Alma has won her share of championships in every major sport, the athletic department has also developed a far-reaching intramural program in which every student may participate. Baseball, basketball, boxing, wrestling, tennis and golf are all included in this program. Women's athletics have not been neglected. Every co-ed has a chance to participate in some type of athletic activity as a result of the care with which these activities have been planned.
6. Students can attend Alma College for as little as \$450 per year. Those who are unable to finance themselves to this extent are assisted by the college through a policy of helping students to secure employment. Many work on the campus—others in downtown stores and shops. A few scholarships are available for deserving students. Alma College has answered the depression by cutting costs without diminishing the number of faculty members. The curriculum has actually been enlarged during the depression years.



**The
Modern
Student
Demands
of a College:**

1. A training of his mental faculties so that he may think logically and clearly.

The enlarging requirements of the modern world demand people with a knowledge of the problems which confront them and the ability to think their way to satisfactory solutions.

2. A background of inspiration that will light his way along the difficult road of life.

Only a person who has been brought into contact with "the best that has been thought and said in the world" can relieve his life of the monotony which results from routine work. He needs the inspiration of great thinkers, writers and teachers.

3. An atmosphere of friendliness where teacher and student meet on the common plane of fellow-workers.

In the formative period of his life the student needs a friendly atmosphere for his work and play—an environment where his personality may be moulded by friendly guides who understand his needs and problems.

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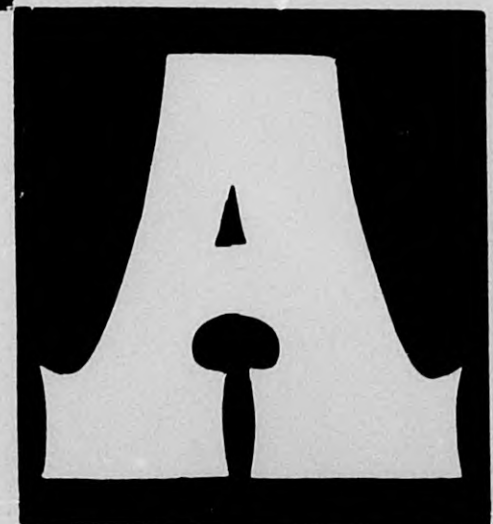
No educational institution can hope to build permanent values into the lives of its students unless it exemplifies the highest standards of scholarship. The maintenance of such standards requires conscientious effort on the part of both instructor and student.

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6. An institution that offers a high quality educational program at reasonable cost.

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15 SOC STUDENTS INSPECT LAPEER

Special Clinic, Illustrative Cases Exhibited for the Sociology Club.

Fifteen Sociology students visited Lapeer last Tuesday under the auspices of the Sociology Club, to make a tour of the Michigan Home and Training School where the feeble-minded are committed. Those who went on the trip were: Dean Florence Steward, Miss Margaret Foley, William Boyd, Inez Passenheim, Ralph Cates, Richmond Johnson, Edith Davis, Eldon Aitken, Robert King, Jean Fowler, Willard Brainard, Alice Woolley, Elizabeth Chapin, Joe Vitek, and Mac Oakley.

The home at Lapeer, the largest of its kind in the world, now has 4,052 inmates, with a waiting list of 1,458. It was started in 1895, and now has a branch at Mt. Pleasant, occupying the buildings of the former Indian School. Children

are committed through the probate court, undergo two weeks' observation, and then, if able, are placed in school or in industrial training. The grades go up to the sixth, and pre-school age children attend sense-training classes. The school has 26 teachers, 6 doctors, 2 psychologists, 2 dentists, and 2 welfare workers, with about 400 other employes in 38 buildings.

Special Clinic Held

The Alma visitors were taken first to a clinical demonstration in the Chapel, where Dr. Snyder, assistant superintendent, spoke briefly on the causes and kinds of feeble-mindedness. He stated that 55% of the commitments are the result of heredity, and the other 45% enter because of accidents at birth, or later diseases. In this country, 2% of the entire population is feeble-minded and 5% of that number is in institutions.

He then described a number of typical cases, and the children were brought forward and discussed. The first case was that of a little girl of twelve, who appeared normal. Her case was traced to heredity; she is one of fifteen children, nine of whom are in the school at Lapeer, born of an imbecile mother and a moron father. Her I. Q. is 75, her mental age 6 or 7.

Dr. Snyder exhibited a number of Mongoloid cases — children

whose slanting eyes resemble Orientals, and whose physical and mental development is arrested. These children are born into average and often superior families; the cause of their condition is unknown. They have low resistance to disease and die quite young. Besides the slanting eyes they are characterized by red nose and cheeks, short stature, short stubby fingers, and unintelligible speech. Mongoloids are very affectionate, and are well-loved by all the patients.

Another type shown was the microcephalic, the idiot or imbecile with a very small head. Here the skull bones unite too early in life; microcephalics are often born into normal families.

There were several cases of the spastic type, where the movement of any limb brings all others into play. These are congenital disturbances, and the brain is never fully finished. These people have very little limb control, and are frequently helpless idiots. Such a condition may be caused by prenatal influences.

Deterioration After Birth

Often it happens that after a normal birth there is some deflection of the central nervous system. This is frequently true of hydrocephalics, where the head is very large. One girl was shown

with a head circumference of 27 1/4 inches; she is 12 years old, has an I. Q. of 25, on the borderline of imbecility and idiocy.

Another child born of normal parents was affected with meningitis which left him grinning constantly. Due to his spastic condition, no attempt had been made to discover his mental age. One boy, Wayne, who was fine-looking and seemingly normal, was seized with sleeping sickness at the age of 7, when he underwent a complete change of personality and got into many difficulties. He now is 16, has an I. Q. of 76, and has a chance to improve. Many cases of plasticity (lack of muscular control), are due to too long labor at birth.

There were no cases more interesting or promising than those suffering from endocrine disturbances—hyper-thyroidism, hyper-pituitarism, or cretinism. Cretins, who lack thyroid glands, are extremely fat, very fallow, and have no interest whatsoever in their surroundings. One girl, who entered the institution three years ago at the age of 24, was an idiot with a mental age of 19 months. She was placed on a diet of thyroid substance, lost her excess fat, and now has a mental age of 4 years. She helps around the cottage and is now learning to walk

a little. There were several of these people who have improved marvelously with the latest scientific attention.

Industrial Shops Inspected

After the clinical demonstration was over, two guides took the Alma people over the grounds to inspect the buildings and routine. At 12:30 luncheon was served to the group in the employees' dining-room. From one until three the groups continued their inspection of the grounds, visiting the industrial shops where beautiful handwork, rugs, brushes, and furniture were exhibited. The inmates make most of the supplies for the institution. The tour included visits to classrooms, dormitories, and hospitals.

At three o'clock a special Chapel program, in which a large number of talented children took part, was put on for the Alma students. A baby orchestra of children not more than five played two numbers, there were singing and dancing choruses, a violin quartet, solos, clog and acrobatic dancing that could compete with the best anywhere. This was perhaps the most surprising part of the whole day's program. At its conclusion, Dr. Snyder expressed gratification at the visit of Alma students, and extended an invitation for annual tours from Alma College.

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SCOT THINCLADS LOSE TO CENTRAL

**Scheifley Takes Three Firsts
and a Second for Individual Honors.**

Even though Ralph Scheifley took three firsts and a second, the Scot thinclads went down to defeat last Monday at Mt. Pleasant at the hands of the Central Bearcats. The fleet Alma dash and hurdle man took firsts in the two dashes, running the hundred in 10.3 and the two-twenty in 23.2. He also won the low hurdles in 26.6, but Van Houten of Central nosed him out by an inch or less in the highs in the time of 16.3.

Central scored slams only in the half mile run and broad jump, quite a decrease from last year. As Max Dean had been ill, Central was just able to get a slam in the former event, as the time was only 2:08.6 and Max has done that several times.

Riley Block scored the only other first by winning the pole vault. Hugh Brenneman took second and Van Houten third in this event.

Pete Troy threw the discus out 138 feet 5 inches to better the former record set last year by Borton for the duel meet between Alma and Central. Big Pete also heaved the shot 41 feet 10 inches to win that event.

ALPHA THETA FAREWELL DINNER

The Alpha Thetas will have a special table tonight as a farewell to eleven Seniors. The final meeting of the sorority will be the Senior Breakfast on June 9, preceding the Commencement exercises.

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Estes' Seniors Beat Sophs in Kittenball

Only one softball game was scheduled last week, and Estes' Senior team eked out a decision over Battles' Sophs to the tune of 11-10. This was a pitchers' battle between Estes and Battles, hurlers for their respective teams, with Estes having the support of a little heavier artillery. The big guns, Cates, Campbell, and Jacobson could not be silenced.

The Seniors were ahead until the last inning 11-5, when the Sophs started a spirited rally. This was nipped in the bud when Boynton, sans spikes, was nipped off third base, to retire the side.

150 HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS AT ALMA

**Prospective Students Visit
Classes, Picnic in Grove,
Attend Dance.**

One hundred and fifty high school seniors from all over the state were the guests of Alma College last Friday. The day's activities were sponsored by the Alma Boosters' club, who received cooperation from all the other organizations on the Campus.

Registration began at 7:50 in the Administration Building, when the seniors were led to the various classes they were interested in visiting. Special interest was taken in the Sociology, Chemistry and German departments. At eleven o'clock they were entertained by a Chapel program, headed by Professor Hamilton, that was second to none other presented all year. Dr. Crooks gave a short welcoming speech, the Trio rendered several delightful numbers; Cae Erickson brought down the house with his tale of General Grant and Casey Jones, and of course he had to render the Wreck of the '97. Mae Nelson played two most charming numbers, both by request, and Joy Olney rendered some popular vocal numbers. Then representatives of all the Campus societies were introduced, followed by an introduction of the faculty.

A picnic lunch was served in the Grove, after which the fraternities and sororities entertained the guests in their houses and rooms, until the baseball games began. The out-of-town guests were then taken to Wright Hall for dinner, having just time enough to rest afterwards before they were taken over to the Gym to dance to the strains of Slim Riggles and his orchestra.

DOUBLE WEDDING PLANNED

Prof. Hamilton reveals the fact that the Misses Dorothy and Harriet Noyle of Flint, will be married at a double wedding ceremony in the Flint Presbyterian Church on August 10. Miss Dorothy Noyle graduated from Alma College in 1930, and will marry, according to Prof. Hamilton, "a Mr. McCoy." Harriet, who spent her freshman and sophomore years here, later teaching at the Flint School for the Deaf, will marry Frank Anderson, '31. Prof. Hamilton and Dr. Ralph Kearns, pastor of the Flint Church, will perform the double ceremony.

ALMA ALUMNI LIKE HARD WORK

**John Mitchell, '30, Harry
Means Crooks, '32, Ex-
plain Chem Projects.**

Two former students for whom Dr. Wilford E. Kaufmann secured research fellowships in graduate work in chemistry at Penn State College, have written to him recently of their projects and reactions to advanced study. They are John Mitchell, '30, now a chemist with Rohm and Haas, and Harry Means Crooks, Jr., '32, who, with Leslie Harris, '31, is still in graduate school there. Mitchell's letter follows:

"My time for the past three and one half years since leaving Alma has been spent as research assistant to Dean Frank C. Whitmore. It was a full time research position and no graduate study for credit because of interference with the regular work. However, one just can't help but learn some chemistry in such circumstances, and I did pick up enough to fulfill the requirements for the M. S. degree with the exception of a thesis which I am working on now.

"I enjoyed my work at State College very much. Dean Whitmore has a number of research assistants who are working on consulting projects which he has undertaken. Since his arrival here, Penn State has become outstanding in the field of graduate chemistry. He is well acquainted with a large number of leaders in chemical industries so consequently he is able to place his students quite easily. At present I do not know of a single chemist of his who is out of a job. He has a conference with each student once a week and sees that everyone is kept busy. I am sure that no school surpasses Penn in graduate work in organic chemistry. The research laboratories have the very latest equipment and seem to have plenty of funds.

"I went to Princeton twice to see the six Alma graduates who are at the Seminary, Crowell, Klerekoper, Bates, Shimmer, D'Angelo, and Heberlein . . ."

Another student whom Dr. Kaufmann was able to secure fellowship assistance for is Harry Means Crooks, Jr. He writes in part:

"The most striking thing, to me, about graduate work, has been the attitude of the graduate students themselves. Somehow, during four years of undergraduate work most students acquire the idea that college is a place where one has a very enjoyable time and where class work, although many take it seriously, is not considered the chief end in life. In sharp contrast, the very atmosphere of graduate school is charged with the idea that these people are here for work. This difference is probably the reason why most graduate schools prefer to take persons who did their undergraduate work at some other institution.

"When one sees men with Ph. D. degrees and records of work well done fired from their jobs these days, and men just as good unable to get positions, one realizes that there is something more than glory connected with doing well in school work."

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Hopkins of Breckenridge turned in the best performance of the day with a total of 17¾ points to his credit.

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Bob King Interprets Chinese Folk Music in Special Program

With Bob King singing real Chinese folk songs, Mae Nelson playing Confucian temple chants, and Prof. Robert W. Clack of the mathematics department giving brief historical sketches of classical Chinese music, a Chapel audience Wednesday enjoyed one of the most unusual and delightful programs given this year.

Prof. Clack, opening the program, explained that the music of the Chinese theater familiar to us has no connection with the classical music, denied by law to the common people up until the Revolution. The first Chinese attempt to systematize the scale dates back to about 2700 B. C. Prof. Clack himself translated all the numbers sung by Bob King, wrote the music for Li Po's "Spring Longings", and arranged the harmony for the other numbers, with the exception of the Confucian temple chant and a melody written for the Chinese bamboo flute.

Illustrating the more ancient music of the five-tone scale, Miss Nelson played the temple chant, and followed it with "Spring Longings", played entirely on black keys. Bob King sang the English translation, then the original Chinese, with the accompaniment an attempt to imitate the old Chinese stone chimes.

In the later folk-songs the seven-tone scale was used, with F sharp instead of F natural in the key of C. By way of illustration, the "Marching Song", a national piece of the Manchu Dynasty was played by Miss Nelson. Like all Chinese music, it does not close with a cadence, but gives the impression of an unfinished air. The next folk-song, "Beautiful", was written originally for the flute. Prof. Clack had made changes in the music to adapt it for the piano. Bob King gave both the Chinese and English interpretations, as he did for a child's song, "Little Lullaby", which followed.

By special request Bob King sang "Father's Lullaby", a cradle melody composed by Mae Nelson, with words by Prof. Clack. This beautiful closing lullaby was given a tremendous ovation by an audience appreciative of Alma College talent.

"Daddy Long Legs" Ready for June 1

Marjorie Morrison and Robert Anthonisen have prominent roles in one of the most interesting and entertaining affairs of this week—the four act play, "Daddy Long-Legs" which will be given at the Strand Theater on Friday evening, June 1, under the auspices of the Child Study Club. Miss Pearl Baxter is directing the play and those who have been fortunate enough to catch a glimpse of rehearsals say that the final production will be more than the most fastidious could ask of any play. Tickets are now on sale among members of the Child Study Club and reservations will be made at Winslow's Drug Store on May 30, 31, and June 1.

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