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GESNER WRITES IN OCTOBER FORUM

"Reports" Destruction of New York's 6,000,000 In 1935 War

Paul D. Gesner, '25, known thru-out his college career as "Doc Pills," has written a reporter's story of the wiping out of the entire population of New York City in a World War of 1935. The article, "The Morning After," appears in the October issue of Forum, authored, according to the cover, by Talcott Danvers.

War against the nations of the Coalition was declared by Congress at 5:31, A.M., Aug. 12, after attempts to had failed.

The United States entered the conflict to uphold the decision of the Arbitration Court and to assist the nations of the Alliance. The bombing of New York City took place at 2:50 P. M. of the 12th and killed all living things in the boroughs and environs within a quarter of an hour after the raid had started. More than 36,000,000 were killed in the space of twelve hours through the bombing of London, New York, Paris, Calais, Brussels, Berlin and Vienna.

On the morning of August 13, Gesner and the pilot of his plane landed in Central Park wearing safety masks and carrying nine hours' oxygen supply in iron bottles strapped to their waists. In seven hours walking the streets of the city they encountered no living person. All had been wiped out by bombs of lethal gas dropped the preceding afternoon from six hundred Coalition bombing planes. Visits to all of the important centers of the metropolis disclosed nothing but the bodies of victims of the raid. People had dropped in their tracks as they breathed in the poisonous fumes. Death had come without warning even in the Stock Exchange, so closely connected with the outside world. The destruction of its guiding members had left the financial system and structure of the country completely ruined. The New York Federal Reserve Bank was desolate, its guiding geniuses slumped over their desks and hundreds of millions of dollars unguarded except for the poison.

The lower East Side of the city was in flames; explosions of neglected boilers short-circuited wires, rent gas mains which ignited and added to the flames. With control impossible, the fire would eventually burn all wood structures in lower New York, dying out only on reaching the steel and fireproof buildings. The bodies of the two million inhabitants of this thickly populated section would be cremated and thus part of the rehabilitation work, necessitating the removal of some four million other bodies from the streets and buildings of the city, would be accomplished by the blaze.

In the editorial offices of the New York Times were found dispatches telling of the capture of the crews of three airplane carriers which had brought the six hundred bombers within striking distance. Another dispatch from the Government announced that owing to new equipment in the way of anti-aircraft guns and range-finders, the city was fully prepared for any attack. A weather report told of a low wet fog which hung over Manhattan the previous afternoon and which evidently rendered helpless the anti-aircraft batteries.

City officials were all dead in their offices, the President of Columbia University died on the steps of the Columbia Library, many persons were found dead kneeling in churches where they had evidently sought refuge, children were killed as they sat in classes in the public schools, the subways were jammed with bodies and with stalled trains, the railroad stations were jammed with the dead who had been just entering or leaving the city. The only chance that there was any life left in the city was that some of those who were working in the higher reaches of the tallest skyscrapers had escaped the dense lower blanket of death-dealing fumes. Elevators refused to function because of lack of electric power and lack of time and oxygen prevented the climbing of the stairs to investigate.

As the pair finally took off in Cen-

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DRAMA CLUB

The first meeting of the Drama Club was held in the chapel last Tuesday evening. Leslie Struble was elected temporary chairman of the organization until plans for joining Alpha Psi Omega, national dramatic fraternity, are carried out. He announced that a new system of try-outs for membership would be used, and appointed a committee consisting of Inez Passenheim, Clarence Moore, Marion Mackenzie, and Josephine Woodard to assist him in choosing the new members. Jean McGarvah was re-elected secretary.

Regular meetings will be held every two weeks, and a number of one-act plays will be given before the student body. Work on the Fall play, which is a part of the annual Homecoming program, will begin as soon as the new members are chosen.

FRESHMEN START GRID PRACTICE

Eighteen Candidates Report for Frosh Football Squad

During the past week eighteen men have reported for the freshman football team. The squad is in charge of Perry Gray, varsity lineman, who attended the coaching school at Notre Dame last summer.

The squad consists of John Volk and Wilford Hinshaw, Traverse City, ends; Byron Gallagher, Clare, and Vondall Wahl, Traverse City, tackles; Ed. Wozner, Traverse City, Sam Balfour, Kinde, David Glass, Alma, and Alvin Hood, Flint, guards; Ray Schoenhals, Bad Axe, and Don Davis, Alma, centers; Robert Leahy, Gordon Clack, and Harold Welch, Alma, "Cactus" Erickson, Newberry, Stanley Bussard, Three Rivers, Willard Brainerd, St. Louis, Glenn Hunter, Detroit, and Jim Tuma, Breckenridge, backs.

The schedule for the freshman team has not yet been completed, but there will be games with the freshmen of other M. I. A. A. schools and Mt. Pleasant, and perhaps with some high school teams.

FOOTBALL TEAM ADOPTS MASCOT

"The King is dead! Long live the King!"

No longer will "Bushel-footed" Charley pick his way precariously through pools of tobacco juice in the locker room; no longer will the gentle slapping of his large feet echo thru the gym, for Charley, the mascot, is gone and in his place reigns a new one.

T-Bone was not officially chosen as mascot until Saturday. There were several in the running and he was the dark horse. As you remember, T-Bone made his initial appearance as a mascot with Al Knapp's "Chizbe Half Tons," after being a capable understudy of Al's we feel it no more than right that T-Bone hold down this responsible position.

T-Bone starts on his new duties, stealing shirts for Borton and clean socks from Coach on Monday, Sept. 28, 1931, and we all hope that T-Bone's manifold duties do not fatigue him unduly for without a mascot a team cannot win.—(this was proven Saturday.)

T-Bone, however, seems particularly suited to the position—he is industrious, honest, and a great help to Leadbetter and his assistants, in fact as far as we can learn, Coach and T-Bone do all the work. This is not surprising as a mascot is only elected as a business proposition.

\$2.00 sent to either Harry Crooks, Elmer Kretschmer or The Almanian, will bring anyone, anywhere, the Almanian for this coming year.

Contrast: The rather nice walnut base of Dr. Brokenshire's desk and the painted pine top.

Those persons wishing bound copies of this year's Almanian should give their names to either Elmer Kretschmer or Harry Crooks. \$1.50 for the volume, the fifty cents with the order.

DEBATERS MEET TO DISCUSS PLANS

Three Veterans, Nine New Candidates Present at Opening Meeting

At the first meeting of the debaters of the College on Friday of last week eleven candidates for the men's debate teams were present and two aspirants for the women's team. The men were Barker Brown and Donald Blackstone of last year's team and Howard Potter, John Hurst, Robert King, William Johnson, Francis Mahon, Claude Knight, Emery Kendall, and George Keldsen. Women present were Aileen Waters of last year's team and Sheila Littleton, one of the orators of last season.

The principle topic of discussion was the opportunity of bringing the Oxford Debating Team to Alma this year. The motion was made by Hurst and seconded by Brown that an invitation be extended to the English team. The motion was lost. It was decided that this year, instead of having judges, the debates would be held, as far as possible, before audiences.

For the first time it was determined that the freshmen should have a series of debates apart from the upper classes. This is a distinct innovation and has very good prospects. There was a discussion as to the distribution of the debate funds and it was decided that amounts should be set aside for the oratorical contests and to send a delegate to the national convention of Pi Kappa Delta, national honorary debating fraternity, at Tulsa. The remaining money is to be equally divided between the men's and women's teams.

Among those not at the meeting but who are expected to debate are Clarence Moore, Jean McGarvah, Louise Waider, Edith Davis, Nancibel Thorburn, Inez Passenheim, and Mildred Angell.

On Saturday of this week Professors Hamilton and Spencer and Manager Blackstone will meet with debate coaches and managers of other schools in the Michigan League to decide the questions for this year's debates. As soon as this is settled dates will be set for the different matches.

This Week In Chapel

Monday, Sept. 21.
President Crooks.

Because of the time taken up by chapel seating, the service consisted of hymns, Scripture and prayer.

Tuesday, Sept. 22
President Crooks

He spoke from the Scripture parable of the trees of the forest who, seeking a king, first asked the olive tree, but it would not leave its fatness and ease. The fig was asked to rule but it would not leave its sweetness. The thistle accepted on the condition that the trees would take refuge in its shadow with the penalty for disobedience a curse of fire on the Cedars of Lebanon.

The modern parallel is the spectacle of the great minds of the country staying in private positions rather than in the service of the country as the lawmakers and governing bodies. Yet we tolerate thistle Capones until the day when the threat of imminent fire shall cause an uprising in the forests of our people.

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NOTICE!

By virtue of a ruling of the Student Council last spring, all those not in possession of the white Student Activities Card will be excluded from participation in any student events until the fee is paid and they have this card. Participation in athletics, Student Council parties, attendance at games, Debate, Drama Club, Band, Glee Club or any other student activity is limited to those who have paid the Student fee. The Almanian will be given only to those who subscribe through the payment of the fee or on receipt of two dollars.

Monday morning there were FIFTY-FIVE who had not yet paid up for the semester.

GIVE SMITTY A HAND!

The pep meeting Friday morning brought back with full momentum the spirit of absolute unity of the college family which has bound together student bodies of years long past and which has been despaired of and bemoaned so often during the last few years. It has taken the irrepressible and inexhaustible pep of "Smitty" to get the idea started and to lay the groundwork of the organization. It is up to the rest of the student body to unite in the common cause of self-preservation and co-operative endeavor. Organization, membership and articles incorporating the basic ideals and aspirations of the "Boosters" club are under way this week and it will take the wholehearted labor of everyone to put it hearted labor of everyone to put it

ALPHA THETA HAS FINE INFORMAL

Successful Mixer Starts Off Party Season With a Bang.

The Alpha Theta mixer, given last Friday evening in the Wright Hall dining room, accomplished the supposedly impossible in surpassing the one given last year at this time. Nearly everyone in school was present, in addition to a number of Alumni, and everyone reports a good time.

All six members of Brown's Collegians, who seem to get better every time they play, were present and rendered the best sort of music. Decorations were attractive and the floor was good.

The Freshmen appeared not the least bit bashful and the business of getting acquainted went along swimmingly. The specialty dance, in which partners were chosen at random and changed frequently, was a big help in getting the old students to meet the newcomers.

After an all-day rain, the moon finally came out in time to make the intermission a delightful one for all parties concerned.

NOTES TAKEN AT THE STATE GAME

Seen at the game: Joe Taylor, '31, and Kay Boyd, '30; Mr. and Mrs. Francis Wood, '30, (Rachel Faude, ex-'32); Mr. and Mrs. James Albach, '30, (Irene Haines, ex-'32); Frances (Spuddy) Widger, '30; Howard Catherman, ex-'33; Lorimer Grant, '28, who is now working toward his Doctor's degree in Chemistry at the University of Michigan; Harold Logan, '30, who came to Alma in time for the dance on Friday evening and then went on down to State with the student body; Kenneth Ollis, '31, who is preaching in Howard City; Fred Biddlecomb, ex-'32, who is going to St. Louis, Mo., to aviation school; Rev. Joseph L. Kennedy, '15, pastor at Rogers, who conducted the Young People's Conference at Alma during this last summer as well as several others in Iowa and Pennsylvania under the auspices of the Board of Christian Education; Paul Heberlein, '31, now pastor at Rosebush; Carson Clapp, '30; H. B. Johnson, ex-'33, left end on last year's football team; William Owen, '30, now studying music at M. S. C. on a scholarship earned by his ability as a pianist; Ralph Parker, ex-'32, now a student at State; Sue Gillam, ex-'34, also at State this year; "Dad" and Mrs. Angell, parents of Frank, '30, and Mildred, '32, were at the game with another daughter whose name we were unable to get; Mr. and Mrs. Jamieson, parents of Clark, '32, came up from Wayne; Keith Odle, '31, teaching and coaching at Holt; Ruby McVay, ex-'34; Dave Golden, '30.

Among those on the bench with Coach Campbell, former players who are now coaching, were Allan Dean, '31, now at St. Johns; Clifford (Red) Erickson, '31, now at St. Louis; and Carl Gussin, '31, now at Hamtramck. The program of the game pays Gussin this tribute: "Carl Gussin, Alma's triple threat quarterback, was one of

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STATE DEFEATS

ALMA 74 - 0

Eliowitz and Monnett Run Wild in Overwhelming Victory Saturday

Coach Campbell's "Fighting Presbyterians" were no match for Jimmy Crowley's Spartans in their opening game at East Lansing last Saturday. The State backfield did just about as it pleased in running up a total of eleven touchdowns and 74 points.

Remembering the hard fight Alma gave them last year, State was all keyed up for this game, and consequently both their offense and defense worked almost perfectly. The only plays that made any ground for Alma were passes and trick plays, and State managed to break up most of those.

Early in the game, a State man touched one of Brown's punts and Alma recovered on State's 40 yard line. This was the only time that Alma had the ball in State's territory.

Alma failed to gain, and Brown punted to Monnett on the ten-yard line. From there State began a march which took them to Alma's 31-yard line. There they lost the ball on downs, and Brown kicked to State's 35-yard line. State began another march which ended when Eliowitz went around right end for 24 yards and a touchdown. Eliowitz took the kickoff behind his own goal line and ran 104 yards for another touchdown, just before the first quarter ended.

In the second quarter Monnett and Eliowitz each made two long runs for touchdowns, and Jones intercepted a pass and ran 45 yards for another. The half ended with the score 48-0.

Alma made a better showing the second half, although State made few substitutions. Monnett made three touchdowns and Eliowitz one. Alma made three first downs, one on a pass, Brown to Kippert, another when State interfered with a forward pass, and the third on a lateral pass and a plunge by Borton.

The game was too much of a walk-away to give any indication of the strength of Alma's team. Roy Kippert, who has been given the difficult task of filling Gussin's shoes, made a good showing. He is a good runner and pass receiver, and made several fine tackles. He returned one of State's kickoffs nearly forty yards, shaking off several tacklers on the way, for the best Alma run of the day. Borton also turned in a fine performance, both offensively and defensively.

Graham injured his leg and had to leave the game, but it proved to be nothing serious. The team has two weeks in which to get in shape for the M. I. A. A. opener with Olivet. Doug McLellan, star guard for the past two years, has returned to school and is expected to be out this week.

Lineups:
ALMA STATE
Gray LE Fasse
Potter LT Buss
Koechlein LG Gross
Byron C Meiers
Leadbetter RG Handy
Rehkopf RT Brunette
Graham RE Vandermeer
Kippert QB Kowatch
Brown LH Monnett
Jacobson RH Jones
Borton FB Eliowitz
State 14 34 14 12-74
Alma 0 0 0 0-0

Touchdowns—Eliowitz 5, Monnett 5, Jones.

Points after touchdowns—Monnett 8.
Substitutions: Alma—Crowford, Hinsbaw, Smith, Wehry, Schimmer, Wilkas, Drury. State—Carlson, Schwartzberg, Warren, Exo, Keast, Harn, Lay, Lafayette.

USHERS HAVE BANQUET

The Ushers Association of the Presbyterian Church, composed of local boys, were the guests of Rev. Gelston at their annual banquet at the Park House in St. Louis, on last Wednesday evening. Jerry Brodebeck was elected chairman for the coming year, succeeding John Hurst.

Plato tells of a man who talked until Socrates "made a move" to "shut him up." And they call our slang Fresh!



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CHAPEL ATTITUDE

Why must the one who leads Chapel always wait until the students are ready to let him start? Why must there be confusion after a hymn is announced?

It must be admitted, of course, that the design and structure of the chapel room itself are not conducive to worship. It is in reality only an assembly room; one which, because of its varied use for classes, student meetings and plays, loses much of the atmosphere of a place of worship. Another factor which adds to the disorder is that the chapel period is the one time of the day when the student body is all together and there are ever so many things of interest to tell to the other fellow.

Nevertheless, the chapel period is the one bit of group worship which is participated in by all the student body. Our only object in the gathering together is to worship and be instructed in those elements of spirituality which go to complete the life out in the world, for which we are now preparing.

The attitude toward Chapel would be entirely different if we had a separate chapel building, used only for worship, with a regular pastor. This, however, is not possible at present and until such time as some such building is erected we should try to enter more into the spirit of worship, despite the handicaps. We really should evidence more respect at our devotions to our Creator.

Gesner Writes in October Forum

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tral Park even the vegetation was dead and decomposed to black flakes resembling soot. As they rose above the fumes Gesner had time to read an editorial proof snatched from one of the newspaper offices which told of the advantages of the isolated position of the United States with reference to the forces of the enemy, even those of the air.

The biographical sketch on the back page of the Forum is interesting in its explanation of the article:

"Paul D. Gesner was born and raised in the small town of Marshall, Michigan—where his father is a physician to whom a night without an S O S from a gallstone patient, or the husband of an expectant mother, is an event. He is a graduate of Alma College, Michigan, and of the Columbia School of Journalism. He has done newspaper work in and about New York since 1925 and is at present on the financial news staff of the New York American. "As," he says, "I intend to take the first train for open country and safety when the next war is declared, I decided to write 'The Morning After' before it happened, and thus fulfill my obligations as a newspaper man to get the story first, then think of self afterward."

Contemporaries of "Doc Pills" will remember him as trainer for various athletic teams, base drummer in the band; later an instrumental man on and editor of the Almanian in his Senior year. He was always possessed of boundless energy and was a motivat-

ing power in many campus activities. Those of later years will identify him as the brother of Marjorie Gesner, ex-'32, who is now in her Senior year at Mt. Holyoke.

Y. W. C. A. HOLDS PICNIC

Last Thursday evening, under the sponsorship of the Y. W., the Wright Hall girls went over to the Jungle for a picnic supper. At the conclusion of the supper a bonfire was started and time quickly passed in singing familiar songs.

HOW'S YOUR BRIDGE?

See YOUR DENTIST TWICE A YR.

Now let us settle down for an evening with the Bridge experts. In this corner we have (Judge for yourself), Sidney Slenz. Because of the fact that there are only two sides to the table, Mr. Slenz occupies the south-east corner. Going around the table clockwise (one end is really against the wall), we come to south-west, Vincent D'A. Work. Next him sits George Leonard Culbertson in the north-west position. Holding down the fourth chair is an unidentified man from South Chicago, now posing as north-east.

South-east, dealer, became slightly careless in forcing the cut and so his hand was as follows:

Clubs	.....	K, 7, 3, 2
Diamonds	.....	Q, 9, 5
Hearts	.....	7, 4
Spades	.....	9, 8, 3, 2

South-west fared slightly better:

Clubs	.....	Q, 8, 4
Diamonds	.....	K, 7, 6, 4
Hearts	.....	Q, 10, 8, 2
Spades	.....	K, 10

North-west had a cinch:

Clubs	.....	J, 9, 6, 5
Diamonds	.....	A, J, 8, 2
Hearts	.....	A, J, 6, 5
Spades	.....	J

North-east got the hand originally intended for south-east:

Clubs	.....	A, 10
Diamonds	.....	10, 3
Hearts	.....	K, 9, 3
Spades	.....	A, Q, 7, 6, 5, 4

He bid on two aces, a king, a queen and a hot fudge sundae.

For the benefit of those who have struggled this far we give a summary of the bidding:

SE	SW	NW	NE
Pass	Pass	Pass	2 spades
Pass	Pass	Pass	3 spades
Pass	Pass	Pass	At this point the kicks and frantic head movements of south-west prevented further preemption by north-west. Declarer made five spades; somehow he missed two aces.

A play-by-play description of the game follows. We use our own system of abbreviation: (C—Clubs, D—Diamonds, H—Hearts, S—Spades. — indicates the card led; in case of two of these it means that the leader was too fast for the opposition):

SE	SW	NW	NE
2C	QC	5C	10C
6C	4C	3C	AC
2S	KS	JS	5S
3S	10S	2D	4S
4H	10H	AH	3H
3D	4D	AD	5D
7C	8C	9C	6S
8S	6D	6H	AS

9S	7D	6H	QS
7H	2H	8D	7S
9D	KD	JD	10D
KC	8H	JH	KH
QD	QH	JC	9H

The hand had, perhaps, greater possibilities but someone lost interest.

The atmosphere was too chilly for a real good game. Fischer was talking to the U. P., while he was phoning two of the players caught cold and began sneezing.

Advice (not original) given because of interested spectators, for the winter months. If you get lost and lonely at the North Pole, take out a deck of cards and start playing solitaire. Presto! enough kibitzers will arrive to look over your shoulder that you will have enough for a rubber of bridge.

LATE NEWS FLASH

Word has just been received that Claire Wilson will be back with us shortly.

THE MIRAGE OF HOPE

I
He lay in the sands
of a burning sea,
With a seething sun
casting mercilessly
Its withering rays on his lifeless form.

II
He raised his eyes
to a cloudless sky,
There came from his lips
a feeble sigh,
"Oh, Merciful God, don't let me die!"

III
He reached for the bottle
that empty lay
In the shifting sands
that stretched away
As far as his tortured eyes could see.

IV
Then to his lips
there 'rose a cry
Of joy, of thanks
to God on high,
Who had heard and answered his prayer.

V
Far distant away
o'er the burning sand,
He caught a glimpse
of a fertile land
With limpid pools
and lazy trees
That waved their palms
in the cooling breeze
And seemed to call, "Come and find peace."

VI
He groped his way
through the torturous sand
Keeping his eyes
on that beautiful land.
No heed he paid
to the glaring sun
That seared his flesh
as he staggered on
Through that shifting, desolate,
waste.

VII
Then as a dream
before his eyes
He saw the mirage
fade into the skies
and
He died in the sand
of a burning sea,
With the seething sun
casting mercilessly
Its withering rays on his lifeless form.

ALUMNUS' LETTER

Chet Robinson has received a letter from Romaine (Doc) Hogan, '28, who is working with the Grand Rapids Store Equipment Co., superintending installation of store interiors all through the eastern part of the country:

Pittsburgh, Pa., Sept. 27, 1931

Dear Chet:
Just a note to let you know where I am located and also wish you a successful year for Alma.

Received a great break and am superintendent for my company on the Allegheny General Hospital at Pittsburgh. It is a 9 million dollar job and we have \$200,000.00 worth of interior trim, doors and paneling. We have about 3,000 doors and special rooms, etc. We have two buildings, an 11-story Nurses' Home and a 20-story Hospital building. Arrived here in early September and expect to be here until after the first of the year.

When I get my gang built up and organized expect to have about forty men working for me. Sure do feel fortunate that they gave me this chance.

My address is: The Pittsburger Hotel, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Would like to see an Almanian when they come out.

Fraternally,
R. G. Hogan.

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CAMPUSOLOGY

"Loony" Smith positively and with remarkable control of his feelings announced to the editor a voluntary withdrawal from the "Sheila League." He also evidenced a complete willingness to break apart the guy that wrote that item last week.

Elwin Miller was back for the party Friday night.

It is interesting to note that contrary to expectations as to the effect of Saturday classes, there were fewer diners in Wright Hall Saturday evening than any Saturday last year. Six tables were up and those were only partially filled.

Sergeant Hodges, last year's drum major sensation, appeared in town Sunday. He is attending the University of Detroit this year.

Since no yell leader answered last week's ad, we ask for one that is afraid to love. Is there one in the crowd? We'll take two if we can find them.

Goldie was at the game. Cookie again was in her glory.

It seems as if Al Dean, Wright Hall's little playmate, is again going to school here.

Kendall, the white slaver, girls for sale!

John Laman is back in school this week; C. Douglas McLellan returned last week, as did Al Robbins.

Graham made another hit with

Crowley, who last year called him the hardest end he'd seen in a long while, by blocking a State man so hard he knocked him out. Fase was the one on the receiving end.

Katy's lady friend, Ruby McVay, was at the game.

Rain inhibited their start for Lansing, according to Baldie and Marg, but the way to establish a real reign is, so they say, to work hard when others are away at their play. Love requires no audience.

Charlie Miller and Ernie Ling were again united at the dance on Friday night.

How DO you do it, Prof. Weimer?

Royer has again started his dancing school. The freshmen, he says, are very susceptible to learning.

Dinty: "I think I'll see the Marx Brothers show."

Aitken: "That'd cost you sixty cents!"
Dinty: "No, only forty-five; I'm taking the smallest girl in the M. I. A. A."

Irwin Nichol week-ended in Big Rapids.

One person was heard to remark that the only people he knew in Pioneer Hall were Day and Knight. Someone is holding out a few hours on him.

"Euclid" Cook writes from Milwaukee, "I'd much rather be with the boys at Alma on the Pine." Dear old Jacob.

The Astronomy class last Tuesday night discovered that there were animals in the museum.

How do you like him, Bea—not a bad second fiddle, eh? But at last Harold came for the final dance. Tough break! Better luck the next time!

According to a Detroit paper Harry was "the most consistent ground-gainer for Alma last Saturday"—he carried the ball twice for nine and five yards. Nine Rahs for "Sevendyard Wehrly!" Keep up the good work and stick to your name—"Sevendyard Wehrly!"

Dobber was back for the party.

The general opinion is that the party was a great success.

"And you don't need to put in anything more about me!"—Horace.

WRIGHT HALL NEWS

Well, Janet, we take our hats off to you! You've done the impossible as far as Zeta Sigma is concerned.

Last Monday the old Pine River had many Wright Hall visitors. A free exhibition on diving was given by Kewp and Tempie.

And do these Freshmen girls go for the upper class fellows!

Wright Hall telephone was certainly busy Thursday night—and so many people had letters to post.

Many Wright Hall hearts beat faster when Smitty gave his eloquent plea for Alma.

Dotty Carter was almost knocked over by the rush when she dropped in for lunch Thursday noon. She was on her way to Traverse City after attending the American Legion Convention at Detroit.

Present Familiar Sights
Al and Louie patiently waiting at the buzzer board for Kewp and Marg

Marje and Jake.

Charlotte and Earle coming out of the Senior Room.

Mickey and Al at the Alpha Theta Party exemplifying Al's favorite dance step.

Art and Libby on the Library steps.

Past Familiar Sights
Red Erickson and his lawnmower.
Nancy's famous smile.

Elsie Sprague cheering up the homesick Freshmen.

Jean and Kerm taking the tri-daily stroll.

Claire and her chemistry book.

Future Familiar Sights
Spray and Chuck.

Jean Fowler in the telephone booth.

Bill Boyd, Emery Kendall, and Jerry Phillips at the buzzer board.

The hall was certainly quiet this week-end. Most of the girls went to the game, and some spent the week-end at home.

We wonder if Al knows that Mary-on has only twelve social cuts a semester.

Do you think that Harry Means, Jr., will crash the Hall league? Well, we'll see.

Puzzle: — How did Virginia and Glenn manage to dance a straight program after the sixth dance?
Answer next week.

We wonder how many of you have noticed Bee's and Emily's strenuous rushing.

ALUMNI NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. John Shroyer (Clarissa Vreeland), both '25, stopped in Alma last Thursday for a few minutes' visit enroute to Grand Rapids.

Paul Heberline, '31, who preached at Rosebush during his student days, is continuing on in that town. A new church is being built at Vernon, nearby, and he will also supply this church. Besides his duties as minister, Paul will assist in the Young People's work of the church.

Donald Blackstone, '32, is preaching this year, as he did last year, at Beaverton.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Beshgetoor, '21, are in town visiting Mrs. Beshgetoor's parents.

STUDENT FORUM

To the Editor:
More power to Dr. Randels! Here's to shorter and snappier chapel talks! Certainly that part of the daily program which is intended for inspiration would be made more inspirational by a few remarks, short and to the point, than by any long, drawn-out affair in which the student is apt to lose interest.

It seems certain that everyone enjoyed Dr. Randels talk and why shouldn't they? It was short, well spiced and what's more, he presented his opinion on one of the problems of the day. That is what appeals. How often is a student heard to say, "I agree," or "I disagree," when leaving chapel? Usually when chapel is dismissed, the service is gone and forgotten.

In order to maintain interest in the chapel services, why not try a little "ballyhoo" once in a while. For instance:

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W. J.

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Notes Taken at the State Game

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the most outstanding performers encountered by the Spartans in 1937. Nate Gaylor, who played all-M. J. A. A. forward in basketball for Alma, appeared to renew old friendships.

The game was halted early in the first quarter by a little yellow dog who just couldn't resist having a close sniff at the lemon lying out between the two lines. Time out was taken while the officials forcibly removed him.

A fine attitude of sportsmanship and friendliness prevailed throughout the game. The only penalties were once for each side for offside and once against State for holding. Although it was a hard game and a tough fight, the best feeling ran all through the whole game.

We are grateful to Lester Fenske, the major State cheer leader, for giving up one side of the field for Alma cheering and for his helpful cooperation.

It doesn't happen often but when the total number of yards gained was added up Alma had lost three yards; our gain was a minus three.

THIS WEEK IN CHAPEL

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Wednesday, Sept. 23.

Professor Hamilton

The chapel began with Ruskin's tale of the traveller at sea who when the ship was wrecked stored all his gold in a belt around his waist and dived into the sea. Searchers found the body on the sea-bottom and the hoard of gold intact.

The contrast between the sinking power of worldly wealth and the saving power and value of worship was strongly brought out. It is the small snatches of true worship which carry us through the dross of the day's business. The few moments of chapel, if used rightly, give the spiritual force needed through the day.

Thursday, Sept. 24

Professor Randels

A bit of Scripture from Paul concerning the lack of worth of a body without its component parts and of the parts without the body led Dr. Randels into a heart-felt plea for Federal unemployment and welfare relief work.

He was, he said, quite up in arms when, at the opening chapel, Governor Brucker spoke of the United States as a "bundle of states" and said that in the matter of unemployment it was the duty of the various municipalities to take care of their own problems without seeking State or Federal aid. A while later in the week President Hoover came out with much the same statement, in effect the same, that the unemployment was no responsibility of the Federal government. This, however, was not the idea of Paul; he set forth that all parts of the body should act in unison and help other parts.

The President appointed an Unemployment Committee with the head of the A. T. & T. at its head but somehow it died. The outcome of it was that it recommended that localities should take care of themselves. This "self help" creed is not that preached in the war time about the Belgians, by the same man who is now President. Neither is it the creed of Paul nor would it be if he again were present among us. The United States should be vitally interested in the interests of its poverty-stricken unemployed.

Friday, Sept. 25

Professor Hamilton

Because of the "pep meeting" which followed, the religious part of the program consisted of singing the Doxology and a prayer by Professor Hamilton. At the conclusion of the prayer, the meeting was turned over to Milton Smith.

Speaking from a summer's experience in selling stationery (business was also stationary) Smitty set forth the idea that the only way to sell a product is to advertise, widely and well.

In danger, next year, of having a small enrollment he declared that it would be possible to fill the school to capacity if we all got behind a unified scheme of advertising. He gave then the idea for a "Boosters' Club," whose duty it would be to get out publicity and to go out around to high schools of the state with interesting programs.

Such entertainment is extremely popular and is undoubtedly a great factor in the interest aroused toward a college education. The idea of such a student co-operative endeavor toward the common aim of a better school was that with which he left us to try until he brought it more to a head this week.

Speeches by Graham, Fockema and Potter, interspersed with songs, wound up the "pep meeting" to a close with Professor Hamilton playing and Professor Ewer directing the Alma Choir.

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