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## JACK KEISER TO PLAY AT FROLIC

### Freshmen Get Popular Nine-Piece Orchestra for First Semi-Formal.

With Jack Keiser's nine piece orchestra playing for dancing from eight until midnight, the class of 1937 will hold its semi-formal Frolic in the Memorial Gymnasium next Saturday night, according to Fraser Malcolm, general chairman. Charlotte Strittler and John R. Fraker have been named co-chairmen for this first all-College semi-formal of the year.

Under the chairmanship of Charles Smith, the decoration committee, Vesta Montague, Robert Culver, and Benton Ewer, started work in the Gym yesterday. A false ceiling, shading from cream to maroon, is being constructed. The stage will be decorated for the orchestra, and indirect lighting effects are being featured.

Jack Keiser's orchestra, from Grand Rapids, which has been very popular on the Alma Campus in the past, promises many new and different melodies, according to John Boergert, Raee Cottrell, and Mackenzie Crooks, members of the music committee.

Robert Davies, Louis Cramton and Alfred Fortino are in charge of the tickets, which are seventy-five cents apiece, and may be secured from any freshman during the week, or at the door on Saturday night. Publicity and advertising are in charge of Arthur Gage, Ralph Rapson, and Gordon Mann.

Other freshmen are busy with plans to make this one of the most successful parties of the school year. Genevieve Guider and Mary Elizabeth Merrill have issued invitations to the Faculty, and for chaperones, while Marguerite Witt and Marjorie Andersen promise something different in the way of programs.

The ticket committee prophesies a record attendance, both of upperclassmen and alumni. Former students are cordially invited to the Frolic, and the double appeal of an excellent orchestra and the low price of admission, is inducement enough to draw a large crowd to the Gym Saturday night.

"As in former years," announced Malcolm, "the Frolic will be strictly semi-formal."

## CRITICS VOTE "NO" ON "FAERIE QUEENE"

Four prominent literary critics and editors admitted to "The Nation" that they had never read and probably would never read Spenser's "The Faerie Queene". They were H. L. Mencken, Branch Cabell, Carl Van Doren, and Ernest Boyd.

The survey, conducted among eight outstanding critics, was based on a questionnaire, "Ten Books I Have Never Read." Chaucer, Dante, Goethe, Scott, Thackeray, Milton, and Trollope each received honorary mention twice, although Ellen Glasgow admitted that she had read and enjoyed ninety volumes of Anthony Trollope.

Victor Hugo, Dumas, Bunyan, Dickens, Whitman, Twain, Jane Austen, the Brontes, Westermarck, Carlyle, Browning, Bryce, Erasmus, Macaulay, Pope, Hawthorne, and others went down as books discarded for bed reading by America's distinguished literary lights.

## "HOW'M I DOING?" IS NO JOKE TO BOYS WHEN PAPA GETS THAT MONTHLY REPORT

"How am I doing?" is a question of grave concern among schoolboys at Moraine Park, the Dayton, Ohio, progressive school where Dr. Slutz presides. Parents have to look closely at the monthly report card to find out how well their boy is doing in history. They're quite apt to find it listed as number three, under "Opinion-Forming," with "Fairness of Mind," and "Judgment" listed above it.

The School does not look upon history as something to be taught for itself, but as a means of developing the ability to form sound opinions. If Dad wants to know how Johnny is coming along in chemistry, the first month he might consult the score card in vain; but he soon learns to trace

## BOOSTER CLUB ACTIVE ON PARENTS' PROGRAM

Much of the success of Parents' Day was due to the efforts of the College Booster Club, under the presidency of Maxwell Novak.

A reception committee, consisting of Ray Hallin, Marjorie Morrison, and Jane Allen was in charge of the coffee and doughnuts served at Wright Hall after the game. Other members of the Club introduced parents and showed them around the Campus, before and after the Bahlke Field conflict. Marion Day, head of the committee in charge of tam-o-shanters, sold six of the blue and red Scot tams.

The next meeting of the Boosters Club is set for Tuesday, November 21, and at that time the members will discuss the advisability of giving a carnival and minstrel show during the second semester. Novak announces plans to send out the College Trio on a publicity tour of high schools soon.

## ALMA TO ENTER SPEECH CONTEST

### Ex-Tempore Speech Tryouts to Be Held in Chapel Next Friday Afternoon.

The tryouts for men's and women's ex tempore speaking contests will be held this week, probably on Friday afternoon, according to an announcement by Prof. Roy W. Hamilton. Speakers will be selected to represent Alma College at Lansing on Tuesday, November 28, when representatives of this division meet at Michigan State College.

This is the first year that Alma has participated in extemporaneous contests. The new constitution of the Michigan Intercollegiate Speech Association requires that each school shall enter five contests, and Alma plans to take part in men's oratory, men and women's oratory, and the ex tempore contests.

According to the rules announced, the men will discuss the National Recovery Act, and Hitlerism; the women will speak on Public Education, and Crime Problems. An hour before the contest, each entrant draws two papers, covering a phase of each question, and may select either one. He is then given materials, and may have an hour's preparation. At Lansing, there will be two contests, an afternoon tryout, and the finals in the evening.

Four men and four women will be selected for the evening's contest, each to give a ten-minute speech with the usual hour's preparation. Prizes of gold and silver medals to first and second place winners will be given. Coaches will be the speech heads from the various schools represented.

Any undergraduate student except those who have placed first, second, or third in previous years is eligible. The preliminary contests at Lansing will last eight minutes, with warning at the end of six, while the warnings on the finals will be given at the end of eight minutes.

## PROF. KAUFMANN SPEAKS FRIDAY

Prof. Wilford E. Kaufmann, Ph. D., will present Friday, the third in a series of talks given by Faculty department heads in Chapel. Prof. Kaufmann will discuss Chemistry in the curriculum.

it down to "Truth-discovering," and then finds the actual study only one of seven elements considered.

For at Moraine Park, history and chemistry are each but one phase of an "occupation" or art of life. There are several such departments of human activity that make up the boy's life. Other "occupations" include Body-building, Spirit-serving, Society-serving, Man-conserving, Thought-expressing, Wealth-producing, Comrade-seeking and Life-refreshing. French, Latin, Spanish, and math are set down as contributions to Thought-expressing. The method of the school aims to blend studies and life, and so far as it is possible, all things are acquired by doing.

## GAY OLD STORIES WILL COME TRUE WHEN THE MARIONETTES VISIT ALMA NOV. 21st



Marionettes

The entrancing story of "Hansel and Gretel," dear to the hearts of adults and children, will come to life in Alma on Tuesday, November 21st, at the College Gymnasium, when the Rotary Club brings A Century of Progress Marionettes here for two fascinating entertainments. All of us have felt like pushing the nasty old witch into the oven, and in the Marionettes performance we can live the story all over again. Another feature of the Tuesday programs will be the story of "Dick Whittington," and of course everyone remembers his cat that went to sea. And it came back, too, and plenty more with it. Portrayed by the Marionettes it is a thrilling story, and the audience not only enjoys the work of the skilled puppeteers, but also this favorite story as presented by them.

The puppet show will be staged in the Memorial Gymnasium, and the proceeds will be used for the

benefit of crippled children in Gratiot County. Two shows are scheduled, one in the afternoon at four o'clock and another in the evening at eight.

Four of America's most skilled puppeteers are bringing this unusual show to Alma from the World Fair at Chicago. Rufus Rose is the producer; Rhys Williams, the director, and they are assisted by Miss Elsie Dvorak and Tom Williams.

In addition to "Hansel and Gretel" and "Dick Whittington", a clever Variety Show will be presented. These marionettes are the largest in use now, many of them thirty inches in height. Incidental music and dancing and artistic scenic effect make "Hansel and Gretel" a quaint and delightful presentation.

Tickets, which may be obtained from members of the Rotary Club, or the Camp Fire girls, are twenty-five cents for adults and ten cents for children.

## PROF. HAMILTON REVIEWS DRAMA

### Describes Problems Facing American Stage; Sketches Eugene O'Neill.

"America has not yet produced its 'great' dramatist," Prof. Roy W. Hamilton told members of the Drama Club at a special meeting last Wednesday night. "We have been outdone in this field by practically all the great European countries."

In a general discussion of the modern drama, Prof. Hamilton traced the life of Eugene O'Neill from obscure and inauspicious beginnings to his present high place on the American stage. The center of stagecraft in the United States has been New York, he pointed out, and will remain there so long as every successful playwright in the country starts for New York as soon as he has produced a good play.

Prof. Hamilton, who formerly sponsored the Drama Club, spoke of some of the changes in modern play presentation. Among such changes were those in the presentation of the plot in a less indicative fashion, and the comeback of soliloquy. In conclusion he stressed the important element of timing. Every actor must be conscious of the presence of others on the stage and of the fact that they, too, must have a chance with the audience. All speeches must fit together, and it is unfair to an actor to cut in on his lines before his audience has had a chance to appreciate him.

The plan of the Drama Club to hold future plays in the College Gym brings it even closer to the rank of an all-college activity. The president, Mac Oakley, revealed that "A Full House", had been a financial success. The program committee announced plans for more one-act plays and offered members the opportunity to direct.

### CORRECTION

We regret the omission of the names of Alice Woolley, Saginaw, and Charlotte Strittler, Caro, from the list of girls recently pledged by Kappa Iota.

### BEAT THE BEARCATS

## Virginia Hill Heads Philo Fair Committee

Virginia Hill has been named general chairman of the Philomathean Fair, the date of which has been tentatively set for Saturday, December 16. The Philos are making plans for the Christmas booths and displays of fancy work, baked goods, novelties, and candy.

Those named to assist Miss Hill are: Helen Lelsz, chairman for baked goods; Spray Dehnke, fancy work; Margaret Randels, Sawkins Music Store exhibit; Elizabeth Willits, tea room; Florence McCallum, jitney dance; Dorothy Hannigan, fish pool; and Dorothy Johnson, candy booth.

## SNOW FAILS TO DETER PARENTS

### Many Mothers and Dads Show Up for Dinner, Kazoo Game and Hall Reception.

In spite of a heavy snow and icy pavements, a large number of parents visited their sons and daughters at Alma over the week-end. In the morning classes were open to all guests, and parents were given an opportunity to see their offspring at work.

At noon the dining-room at Wright Hall was packed. Following dinner an official welcome was extended by President Harry Means Crooks, who explained that this day had been set aside in order that parents might become better acquainted with the school and professors, and arrive at some idea of the manner in which college life is conducted. After dinner many parents and friends congregated in the reception room to extend acquaintances and to meet roommates of the younger members of the family.

At 2:30 the football game was called, in spite of several inches of snow. While the crowd was less in numbers than at Homecoming, it was much peppier. After the second tie game in two weeks, the mothers and dads returned to Wright Hall for coffee and doughnuts, and a few remained in town overnight.

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## DR. SLUTZ HERE; SPEAKS TONIGHT

### Progressive School Leader Slated to Talk in Chapel Tomorrow Morning.

Dr. Frank D. Slutz, head of the Moraine Park School at Dayton, Ohio, will be the guest speaker here tonight and tomorrow. Dr. Slutz is expected to talk to Faculty members tonight, to students in Chapel tomorrow morning, when classes will be shortened in his honor, and again tomorrow evening. As a liberal and a pioneer in the progressive school movement, he has been employed for several years by the Y. M. C. A., and is in Michigan for that organization's convention in Detroit on Thursday.

Dr. Crooks announces that Dr. Slutz will meet members of the Faculty and a few students at the President's house tonight.

Tomorrow he will speak in Chapel at eleven o'clock, and tomorrow evening will hold a general meeting again for Faculty and students.

Moraine Park, one of the most famous progressive schools in America, was established fifteen years ago by some wealthy citizens of Dayton, who wanted their children to have superior advantages. The story is told, and confirmed by Theodore M. Knappen in the Atlantic Monthly for July, 1921, that a group of educators in Colorado used to meet in "shop" conferences every six weeks. Dr. Slutz was then superintendent of schools at Pueblo. The favorite topic for discussion among the group pertained to the kind of school each would establish if he had a million dollars. When the people of Dayton selected Dr. Slutz to head their school, he was permitted to use the papers and ideas worked out by his colleagues.

The names of Col. E. A. Deeds, Mr. C. F. Kettering, and Mr. Arthur E. Morgan are among the backers of the Dayton plan. Col. Deeds turned over an old greenhouse, and the youngsters were forced to build their own offices and workshops before the school could actually get under way. To foster democracy, it was decided to include less fortunate boys in the enrollment, and each was re-

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## Gratiot County Youth Meet at Mt. Pleasant

Katherine Campbell, '33, represented Gratiot County at the regional meeting of Volunteers for Youth Service at Central State Teachers College last Saturday, November 11. At a previous meeting Dr. Harry Means Crooks had been appointed temporary chairman for the Alma committee, whose task it was to bring up for panel discussion at Mt. Pleasant the employment and recreational problems of Gratiot County youth.

The Youth Service movement, sponsored by the Michigan Congress of Parent and Teachers, is statewide, and representatives from five counties met at C. S. T. C., including Clare, Gratiot, Isabella, Mecosta and Midland. Miss Frances M. Stitt, principal of the Alma Junior High School, is in charge of the Alma organization, and held the initial meeting at her home Tuesday, under the direction of Miss Jessie McLean, assistant superintendent of the training school at Mt. Pleasant, and head of the Volunteers in this region.

Miss Campbell acted on the morning panel discussion, along with Mr. Barber of the Washington school, while John Johnson and Lawrence Eyer sat on the afternoon panel. At the morning session Mr. Lester Wolcott, president, of the Men's Union at C. S. T. C., presided. Dr. M. L. Smith, of the rural education department of the same school spoke on "Our Objectives," followed by the panel talk on the subject: "What are the problems which confront youth in the counties of this conference?" This discussion was led by Dr. Ray Johns, associate State secretary of Y. M. C. A., and covered problems vocational, as well as religious, moral, and avocational.

The afternoon panel discussed: "What can we do to help the youth of Clare, Gratiot, Isabella, Mecosta, and Midland counties in

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## A WORD TO THE WISE

Saturday at the Kalamazoo game a small group of freshmen took it upon themselves to hand the referee something similar to a Bronx cheer. On several occasions the sound of booing rose above the noise of a Parents' Day crowd, and the cheerleaders were forced to cover up the derision with College yells.

Even freshmen who have been on the Campus only two months should have observed by this time that Alma College rooters do not boo. The ideals of good sportsmanship have been a part of the institution for so long that they have become traditional. In athletics Alma has stood definitely for two things; her reputation as the peppiest school in the M. I. A. A., and her acceptance of decisions without inane mass protest. Whenever there is occasion for doubt, the Coach and others in authority will see that the team's interests are safeguarded. The average referee isn't impressed with guttural groanings from the galleries. Nothing sounds sillier than to hear a bunch of supposedly intelligent spectators start the "royal razzberries" just because a decision is against them. They are about as much help as the man who honks when the car in front of him stalls.

Perhaps some high schools have no objections to booing, but high school days are over for Alma College students, and with them high school tricks. Perhaps no more needs to be said beyond the simple statement of a fact: We try to be good sports at Alma; we do not boo.

## WHAT ABOUT CHRISTMAS SHOPPING?

Next week several Alma merchants will use the Almanian to advertise their products, anticipating the Christmas rush. For the past two weeks they have been lavish in their welcome of our Alumni and our parents, and in their encouragement for the home games.

While a few merchants may feel that they are doing the paper a favor by advertising in it, the majority realize fully that students spend thousands of dollars annually in a college town. When they advertise in our paper, they do it in the hope that we will trade in their stores. "Ads" are frequently not the most enjoyable reading, but every one is inserted for the purpose of attracting student attention and the student purse. A comparison of Almanian ads with those in other college publications reveals that snappiness and pep are generally in our favor.

The next time we go downtown to buy, let's keep a weather eye out for the man who uses this paper to advertise. He is the man who appreciates the purchasing power of the College. He further helps to pay the cost of printing and distributing the paper, allowing a reasonable assurance of some returns to those who spend time and effort in digging up the news. The next time you see the words "Patronize Our Advertisers," remember that it is not a meaningless phrase nor a space filler. The man who advertises is the man who believes in you.

## STUDENT FORUM

Dear Editor:  
Alma College is a very unique institution. It is peculiar largely for its potentialities, and its ability to maintain them in that state. Two features of that sort stand out particularly. The first of these is the mysterious building called Hood Museum. Some people believe it to be the resting place of the college family skeleton, but others, equally well informed, say it houses the gold of Midas guarded by a wicked gnome, who would tinkle to death anyone who dared open the doors. Of course there is the wild tale told in the college bulletin that the building contains some very valuable collections of educational worth, but nobody credits such a baseless story as that. There is no doubt that the ghost of the man who gave the Museum to us haunts the musty interior hoping against hope that some day he may see a student open the doors and enter for the purpose of exploration, or even to study. To the present, however, the college has been very successful in maintaining its commendable position as an institution of superb potentialities.

The Library presents a feature of even greater possibilities; but alas, it also is the home of wicked spirits that come out after dark. At five-thirty you may see the windows being carefully locked and the doors bolted so there can be no danger of anyone getting in and being corrupted by reading books which are under the spell of the night-time devils.

It is extremely unfortunate that students who have classes all morning and laboratories all afternoon cannot get into the Library in safety to study in the evening, but of course you can't go against the ghosts. It might prove helpful if some member of the Faculty would pray in Chapel to have us freed from the big, bad spooks. On the other hand it might help students to get their work done and raise marks, and it isn't desirable to bring out any latent abilities, for we are the college of potentialities.

T. R. J.

Dear Editor:  
I feel that our friend, B. U., deserves a great big hand for satirizing the situation existing in our college commons. Would that we had more men and women on the campus to assist in suppressing a sort of barbarism which would not be tolerated in the homes from which our fellow students come.

My colleague intimates that his social manner has suffered by his past three years' contacts with the sort of people who would be ostracized from the average correct society. What a recommendation for a college for cultural development.

Why should we stand for what appears to be a traditional table manner at Alma just because some use it at the present? Let's do something about it now!

U. V. U.

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PEP MEETING FRIDAY

**WILLARD K. SPENCER**  
The Rev. Willard K. Spencer, D. D., a trustee of Alma College for many years, and one of Michigan's best known Presbyterian churchmen, died Friday at his residence in Ionia. Dr. Spencer was eighty years old, and had been in the ministry for fifty-four years.

The announcement of his passing brings regret to many alumni and former students. Dr. Spencer was pastor of the local Presbyterian church at the turn of the century, leaving in 1903. In 1913 he was made a trustee of the College, and served in that capacity until 1932, when advanced age and the illness of Mrs. Spencer forced him to resign from active membership. He was made the first trustee emeritus of the institution.

For years he has donated substantial sums annually for oratory prizes and the Spencer Bible contest. Aside from his long service with Alma College, and in the ministry, during which he filled pastorates at Alma, Adrian, Lansing and Ionia, Dr. Spencer for twenty-nine years was permanent clerk of the Michigan Synod, and for eighteen years stated clerk of the Grand Rapids Presbytery. Since resigning the Ionia pastorate in 1918, he has served as pastor-at-large for the Grand Rapids Presbytery.

The College extends heartfelt sympathy to his widow and to his sister, Mrs. Louis Boisot. President Harry Means Crooks, Dean James Mitchell, and Prof. Roy Hamilton attended the funeral at Ionia yesterday.

## GRATIOT COUNTY YOUTH MEET AT MT. PLEASANT

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solving its problems?" Miss Emma Sater, director of women students, Michigan State College, was the leader, and educational, recreational, and reading facilities were talked over. Dr. D. D. Henry, assistant Superintendent of Public Instruction, Lansing, spoke on the subject, "Next Steps Ahead for the Counties of this Region in the Volunteer Youth Service."

It was brought out that "People are demanding a new order where in the conservation of human values shall be the primary objective. The participation of youth in this period of reconstruction and reorganization is indispensable, for without an understanding of the new methods and objectives by youth the great lessons of the present may be lost to posterity. New ways must be found or old ones adopted so that young people may find financial security and spiritual growth, and these can only be gained through discussion."

## SNOW FAILS TO DETER PARENTS

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There were many more parents on the Campus than were reported by students. Guests noted or reported include: Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Rice, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Montague, Mr. and Mrs. N. McKay, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Striffler, Mrs. Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. J. Girvin, Mr. and Mrs. C. Fowler, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Raymond, Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Copeland, Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Anthonisen, Mrs. J. L. Craven, Mr. and Mrs. J. Boergert, Mr. and Mrs. R. Culver, Mr. and Mrs. D. Strong, Mr. and Mrs. Claude King, and Miss Mary Colbeck, Mr. and Mrs. J. Rosenberg, Mr. F. Fraker, and Mrs. E. J. Johnson.

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## PROXY SEZ!

Exit Prohibition—foreign liquor manufacturers report increased activity—but poor Tijuana and Agua Caliente—and the "speaks"—and Tex Guinan—the Governor of North Carolina still said to the Governor of South Carolina—"It's a long time between drinks."

In Washington Roosevelt and Litvinov and diplomatic offices continued to parley in re Russian Recognition—one paper reports that Russia may be taking a chance in recognizing the U. S. A.—we're so radical now—ah me. The president interviewed five governors from "embattled farmers" states, but got rid of them—meantime farm strikes appeared to be losing their appeal in spite of activities of Milo Reno, farm strike leader. The NRA was facing new difficulties—administrative chiefly, with Individualist Ford the chief problem, tho this appeared to be solved by the first of this week—at least by then he was eligible for government contracts. Gold buying seemed to be achieving in part the purpose of depreciating the dollar on foreign exchanges—but effects were slight—some stock advances—industrials closed at 96.10 according to Dow-Jones averages after hitting a low of 92.58 and a high of 96.40; rails were similar closing at 39.71 and utilities were firm at 24.38 close. Bonds dipped and rallied, led by governments—closed strong tho off for the entire week. The dollar was at \$5.10 in Great Britain, at 6.27 per franc in France, and for the first time in history depreciated in Canadian currency—closing quotation 1.00012½—yowzah.

Election news was headed by Fusion victory in New York—poor, but still potent Tammany—other returns were not too favorable to administration Democrats.

In England the political trend seemed to be toward Labor—poor Ramsay—in France new Premier Sarraut (nine-lived gourmet) was getting under way with little definiteness of policy—Germany continued to amuse itself with the Reichstag fire trial farce—poor Communists—and in Greece self-exiled Mr. Insull was listening to a bit of "ideal justice" when the courts there guaranteed him freedom from extradition.

Metropolitan Museum of Art received "The Crucifixion" and the "Last Judgment" generally attributed to Hubert van Eyck—from Russia—science was debating further "sun spot theories"—et al. Football continued to occupy the center of sports news—with Michigan a 10-6 decision ahead of Iowa, Illinois three points better than Northwestern, Indiana and Chicago both unable to climb above zero, Mich. State and Carnegie, ditto—N. D. took a 19-0 beating from Purdue—USC lost to Stanford—upset—and others. Pegler (self-styled crybaby) came to the rescue of Hunk Anderson.

For news in a name note the request of a Cambridge, Mass., bank for the credit standing of O. M. W. Sprague (see Time, Nov. 13)—received this reply: "Mr. Oliver Mitchell Wentworth Sprague—holds the Edmund Cogswell Converse Professorship of Banking at Harvard—in 1903 went to London where for two years he was economic adviser to the Bank of England and he is now chief economic adviser to the U. S. Treasury. We consider him a reliable client."

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## Edith Walker Chosen S. S. Class President

Edith Walker was named president, and Evelyn MacCurdy, secretary of the College girls' Sunday School class at a social meeting held in the Presbyterian Manse Sunday afternoon. The thirteen girls present discussed plans for a Christmas program at the Church, and for an evening service in January.

Elizabeth Ann Malcolm, Eunice Converse, and Helen Jordan were named to the membership committee for the coming month. Following the business meeting, Betty Chapin and Edith Walker led in games and stunts based on Biblical names and characters. Mrs. Gelston served a lunch consisting of hot chocolate, baked marshmallows, sandwiches, cake, apples, and peanuts.

Sunday marked the 16th anniversary of the Rev. Willis L. Gelston and Mrs. Gelston in the First Presbyterian Church of Alma.

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"Flying Devils"





# SPORTS



## HORNETS, SCOTS FAIL TO SCORE

**Alma Unable to Take Advantage of Breaks; Ties Albion for Last Place.**

Failure to score in the pinches cost the Scots another game last Saturday as they closed the M. I. A. A. football season with a scoreless tie with Kalamazoo College. The tying of this game brings Alma up to a tie with Albion, and since Hope lost to Hillsdale, Kalamazoo is now tied with Hope for second place.

The Scots out-gained the Hornets in every department, but failed to take advantage of the few breaks that were offered. One touchdown was lost when Johnny Velk missed a pass on the goal line, and another when Stan Bussard just missed intercepting a pass with nobody between him and the Kazoo goal. Fumbles spoiled

other chances after the ball had been brought down to near scoring position.

The feature of the game was the punting duel between Ted Thomas of the Kazooks and Cac Erickson of the Scots. Cac had the better of the duel until two of his kicks were blocked, but then Thomas took the advantage only by a half yard per kick, aided by Niefert's 53 yard boot.

Thomas kicked off to Dawson to open the game and the Alma captain returned the ball 5 yards to the 30. On the first play he fumbled and Tucker recovered for Kazoo on the 37. However, after a line play, York intercepted a pass and ran to his 32. Erickson then kicked over into the Kazoo territory. Thomas then kicked back, and Finlay dropped on another Alma fumble. After failing to gain, Thomas got off a poor kick which went out of bounds on the Alma 25. Erickson again put the ball into Kazoo territory, but Thomas booted it back again. After three line plays, Cac punted it back, but Survilla eluded three Alma tacklers and came back 16 yards. From there Thomas put the ball down inside the 15 yard line. However, Erickson got off a good kick down into the Kazoo territory, and Thomas' kick was partially blocked, Bussard catching the ball and bringing it back to his 48. Dawson again fumbled and Thomas punted down to the Alma goal at the quarter.

After a return of punts, Thomas was caught holding Volk, so Alma was given the ball in midfield, but failed to do anything about it, so Cac kicked down into Kazoo territory. Thomas got off one of his best kicks past Dawson into Alma territory. The remainder of the second quarter was taken up with a punting duel, although Kazoo plunged through the line for a first down as the gun went off at the half.

Thomas again kicked off to Glance who was downed on his 45. Erickson on the first play tossed a pass to Volk for 23 yards for the longest gain of the day. Another pass to Dawson netted 5 yards, but two more passes went haywire. So Kazoo took the ball on downs. After a punt, Jerry Warner, veteran Kalamazoo end, intercepted a pass and ran 33 yards before Erickson got him on the Alma 27. However, the Alma line held and took the ball. A blocked punt gave Kazoo the ball on the Alma 12, but Erickson recovered a fumble on the first play. Instead of kicking, Dawson and Glance made it a first down on plunging. Then Erickson kicked out of danger.

The longest run from scrimmage came in the big third quarter, when Erickson hit right tackle for 15 yards, but fumbled as he was tackled. Kalamazoo kicked out of danger, but Dawson caught the ball and returned it to the Kazoo 26. L. Block fumbled at quarter and Newell recovered. The remainder of the game was played in midfield with neither team having much advantage.

The line-ups:  
Kalamazoo (0) (0) Alma  
Warner ..... LE ..... W. Block  
Newell ..... LT ..... Hubbard  
Tucker ..... LG ..... Dean  
Finlay ..... C ..... Bussard  
Inglis ..... RG ..... Estes  
Kress ..... RT ..... Fuller  
Becker ..... RE ..... Volk  
Survilla ..... QB ..... Dawson  
Thomas ..... LH ..... York  
Kriekard ..... RH ..... Erickson  
Niefert ..... FB ..... Glance

### Y. W. C. A. Elects, Initiates, This Week

A candle lighting ceremony will initiate all the new girls into the Y. W. C. A. at Wright Hall on Thursday night, November 16. The Y. W. C. A. Cabinet will also elect representatives to fill the vacancies left from last year.

The president, Helen Louise Vincent, is in charge of the program. She will light a red, white, and blue candle, denoting Love, Purity, and Fellowship. The officers form a triangle, holding blue candles, and the new girls form a circle around them; the officers then form a circle, light the candles of the initiates, and everyone sings, "Follow the Gleam."

The vacancies in the Cabinet are the membership and social committee heads. These will be elected at the next executive meeting. Other officers for the year, in addition to the President, include: Marion Day, Vice-president; Jane Allen, Secretary; Marjorie Morrison, Treasurer; Spray Dehnke, Social Service; Alice Girvin, House Committee chairman; Jean Fowler, Program; Frances Rice, Membership; Emily Nordling, Finance; and Mary Catherine Craig, Town Representative.

## SCOTS, BEARCATS MEET SATURDAY

**Central State Will Present Tough Proposition for Alma at Annual Fracas.**

One year ago Alma College had the worst record in the M. I. A. A. that she has ever had and Central State Teachers College had one of the best records in the state. But apparently Alma had one good game in her system, and Central was humbled, 9 to 0.

This year, Central has also enjoyed a good season. Kalamazoo College was outscored, 18 to 13; St. Mary's and Ferris Institute were cut down by outlandish scores; and defeats were suffered at the hands of Western State and Michigan Normal; and a tie from Hillsdale.

Alma on the other hand has not won a game since the Central game last year. Losses dealt by Hope, Hillsdale, and Michigan Normal have not even been dented by the fact that the Scots tied Albion and Kalamazoo on successive Saturdays.

Comparative scores do not help matters any. Kalamazoo College was defeated by Central and Alma played the Hornets to a scoreless tie. Central and Hillsdale battled it out to a scoreless tie, but Hillsdale outplayed Alma, 13 to 6. Michigan Normal swamped Central 25 to 0, but they only defeated the Scots 19 to 6. Therefore it seems that this would have to be one game which would have to be played out.

But the fact remains that Central is tough. We first realized it when the big Hillsdale team sobbed about the brutish strength shown them by the Bearcats. What does that make the Alma line? However, we must remember that the Alma line makes up in fight what it lacks in size. One big advantage for Alma is the fact that the Scots this year are a scoring team, even though the Hornets were the only team that shut them out.

Everything taken into consideration, the Alma-Central game this Saturday will be probably the hardest fought game in which the Scots have played this year. Central is particularly anxious to avenge the deeply felt defeat of last year, and Alma wants to win another game, another time. Gordon Dawson, Bill Bushnell, Ronnie Bacon, Russ Hubbard, and Herb Estes will be playing their last game for good old Alma on the Pine, so be there and fight for the Alma Mater!

Natural Education Week, plus Armistice Day resulted in the usual oratory—talk—with general lack of achievement—something like pep-meetings.

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## M. RANDELS, BIJJANI CONDUCT C. E. MEETING

Margaret Randels arranged the worship program for Sunday, November 5, at the Christian Endeavor Society. A discussion on Personality and Prayer, led by George Biji, brought out the following points:

"Character is that potential in us that determines our reactions to given stimuli. All of us, consciously or otherwise try to impress upon others the ideals that build our character. Personality is that quality or group of qualities in us that determine the effectiveness of such endeavors. Personality, which shows itself in our appearance, speech, expression of face, etc., is a radiance of something internal. Humility, confidence, sincerity, and concern for others ought to accompany all these phases of personality before they are at all effective.

"Prayer is the entering upon ourselves in the presence of God, who is holier, higher, more loving, and more powerful. From such a communion we are bound to get humility, confidence, concern, and sincerity, which play their part in the forming of our Personality."

Last Sunday night the worship program was arranged by Mack Crooks and the discussion on World Peace was led by Frances Stephens.

### ALMA GRADS MARRIED

Ellen Wilson, '33, and Kenneth Forbes, '30, were married in Angola, Indiana, on July 3, according to the Saginaw Sunday News. Ellen and Bugle stole a march on Alice and Mattie, who were married in August, here in Alma.

Miss Elizabeth Alden Scott, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Charles Ernest Scott was married in October to John C. Stam, at Tsinan, China. The Rev. Charles E. Scott it a graduate of Alma College and for many years has been a missionary in China.

### ZETAS ENTERTAIN PLEDGES

Fifty members, pledges, and Faculty guests were entertained by Zeta Sigma at a pledge banquet in Wright Hall last Friday night. In honor of the occasion the tables were decorated with blue and white crepe paper, and flowers were donated by the Philomatheans and Alpha Thetas. The Zeta Sigma symbol hung in the background.

CALENDAR  
Tonight: A Cappella Choir. 7:00 P. M.

Dr. Frank D. Slutz. President's House. 8:00 P. M.

Wednesday: Special Chapel. Dr. Frank D. Slutz. 11:00 A. M.

Thursday: Y. W. C. A. initiation. Wright Hall. 7:00 P. M.

Friday: Pep meeting. College Chapel. 7:00 P. M.

Saturday: Mt. Pleasant game. Mt. Pleasant. 2:30 P. M.

Frosh Frolic. College Gymnasium. 8:00 P. M.

Sunday: Christian Endeavor. 6:30 P. M.

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**Some Frosh Are Green**  
There are some frosh who must like the feel of hisses and snorts in their quivering nostrils; they had a boooing good time at the Parents Day game . . . Lofthouse and Rea may or may not be making a hit trying to dance the Grande style . . . We saw Doc MacCurdy sweeping off the Museum Steps the other day . . . Never saw so many green-hairribboned young ladies wearing so many earrings in all our born days; morning, noon, and night . . . is Fairchild an absolutely fair child? Melva Raymond just loves good music; she asked Hastings if he'd ever heard Robinson Crusoe . . . Johnny Colbeck has no kilts but that didn't keep him from slipping a note to Gracie into Spendlove's letter . . . which reminds us that Spendlove and Vitek made for the Senior room instead of the Senior dance . . . they say the Senior dance was dead; no football men there, or something . . . Fraker and Nummer preferred "A Kiss Before the Mirror."

**Tiptoe Thru the Tulips**  
Lelsz had better take off her shoes before she sneaks in at night . . . Waters and Girvin came home from the Senior dance together . . . Bob Mack's got a big crush on Aileen, but she doesn't know it . . . whatever happened to Willie? . . . and speaking of crushes, does Kelly know what attractive Junior girl thinks he's darling . . . Merrill actually dated with Culver the other night, which rushed things with Cyril; she's wearing Cy's high school ring now . . . nobody's gonna pull the wool over Topsy's eyes . . . Jean Cameron went to the Senior dance with Argyle, Jr. . . . we thought he had a girl in Mt. Clemens . . . Anthonisen's the biggest griper about the food on the Campus, but we notice he can get away with seven glasses of milk at one gulp . . . Elizabeth Ann's showing her formal; she's going with Paul . . . with so many cute dates it ought to be a swell Frolic . . . Claire, Jane, Gretchen, and Maryon looked so young in their snowsuits . . . did you know Annabelle's middle name is Cornelia?

**The Best Chapel Period** . . . . .  
The most enjoyable Chapel period is between nine and eleven . . . nobody ever walks out . . . there aren't any cracks to make about Claire and Johny, Vesta and Ludwig, Day and York, Allen and Jim . . . they're all so good it's pitiful, but we're keeping our eyes peeled . . . Bruce did borrow a dime from Marion Sunday night, because Cac said they needed two pencils to study . . . something about "Reform Girl" . . . Cac and Fowler are through again . . . Max Novak must be trying to break into Faculty Row; he took Evelyn MacCurdy home the other night . . . Striffler passes, Keglovitz to Smith to Boergert . . . there were five couples in Goggin's Packard the other night . . . Bill Hopkins is hopping around Kathryn McKay . . . Gert and Harry Wehrly were at the Senior dance, and she was in 7th heaven . . . Walker walked Sunday night, and waited an hour for Ken . . . Currie and Dirk weren't interested in the game or the dance; they just rode around.

**In That Joke Box**  
Somebody stuck something in the joke box, and nobody could get it open . . . could it have been another date for Osterhaus? . . . Is Onilee figuring on becoming assistant to the assistant dean in a few years? . . . Abie is in love; you'll find her at the Elks . . . Bill came; you could tell by looking at Margie that he musta come . . . that dirty look that Hammy bestowed in Chapel the other day was for Painter; she fell over Inie, and Inie squawked . . . anyway, Passenheim took the matter up with Penney's . . . Virginia and Inie are dear widows now that the deer season is on . . . between the awful food and teaching frosh how to dance, Cameron is wearing away to a shadow . . . Innigan Hannigan's really nertz about this Clark . . . and Herb Estes is losin' his appetite over Edwards . . . Marion could have told Coach long ago that he had a good back in York.

**DR. SLUTZ SPEAKS TONIGHT**  
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