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WOMEN'S LEAGUE ENTERTAINS 130

All-Girl-Bid Formal Wins Student Approval; May Be Annual Affair.

The much sought-after gold casket, bedecked and bejeweled, goes to the Women's League for attempting something brand new on the Campus Saturday night. For the first time in College history the girls all joined hands to invite the men (local!) to a formal party, similar to the J-Hop, with programs, favors, tuxes and all the fixings.

Sixty-five couples whirled, waltzed and wriggled for almost four hours on the Gym floor, to the peppy tunes that Freddie Spatz brought along from Bay City. Sixty-five lucky gentlemen, who were smart enough to beware of imports at the Frosh Frolic, received the mysterious black and silver packages which proved to be College stationery with the engraved Alma seal.

The freshmen lightened the labors of the decorating committee by generously donating the Frolic hangings, but it was evident that feminine fingers were in the pie during the week. The side walls were draped in orange blends, as was the false ceiling, lending a romantic atmosphere. On some of the waltzes, Dan Cupid himself was surely parked in the bass horn.

The programs were in a maroon-red suede, with the College seal in gold, and the good taste in their selection is attributed to Spray Dehnke. Guests or no guests, the men didn't have a chance at those programs.

The chaperones were Dr. and Mrs. Wilford E. Kaufmann, Dr. and Mrs. Harry Means Crooks, Prof. and Mrs. Roy W. Hamilton, Dean Florence Steward and Dean James Mitchell.

If this were the society page, mention might be made of the attractive corsages worn by the girls. At any rate, it was a party that will live long in the memories of those who were there. Most of the credit goes to the general chairman, Marjorie Morrison, and to her assistants in the League: Spray Dehnke, Beth Willets, Helen Walker, Gertrude Elliot, and Marion Day.

WOMEN TO TAKE PART IN ATHLETIC EVENTS; BACKED BY COUNCIL

Alma College women will have their first opportunity in years to compete on athletic teams, if plans announced by the Student Council last week are approved. The forthcoming intramural program provides for women's competition in basketball and other sports.

Claire Wilson and Marjorie Morrison have been appointed by the Student Council to take charge of these activities. The complete intramural program is in the hands of the assistant coach, Lyle (Continued on page 2)

"Jake" Anderson, '16, Honored by N. S. P. A.

Oscar M. ("Jake") Anderson, graduate of Alma College in the class of 1916, and associated in the auto parts business with Leslie P. Kefgen, '11, the alumni representative on the Board of Trustees, was elected president of the National Standard Parts Association at the close of a two-day convention held in Chicago. Delegates from all sections of the United States, Canada and Mexico attended the sessions, held at the Stevens Hotel.

Mr. Anderson, a native of Omena, Michigan, has been engaged in this business since shortly after the World War. He has been affiliated with the National Standard Parts Association since 1925. Membership includes jobbers and manufacturers of equipment and service parts of automobiles. He is secretary-treasurer of the Northern Automotive Supply Company in Bay City. As president of the association he will travel to various sections of the United States during the coming year to attend regional meetings and conferences.

"Jake" was one of the most successful student managers of athletics in the College history, a member of the Glee Club, and a fine soloist.



Thanksgiving 1933

THANKSGIVING, 1933. Today, no memory of a hard year past, no uncertainty of the future, stops Alma College from looking forward with enthusiasm to the year 1937, when she celebrates the 50th anniversary of her existence.

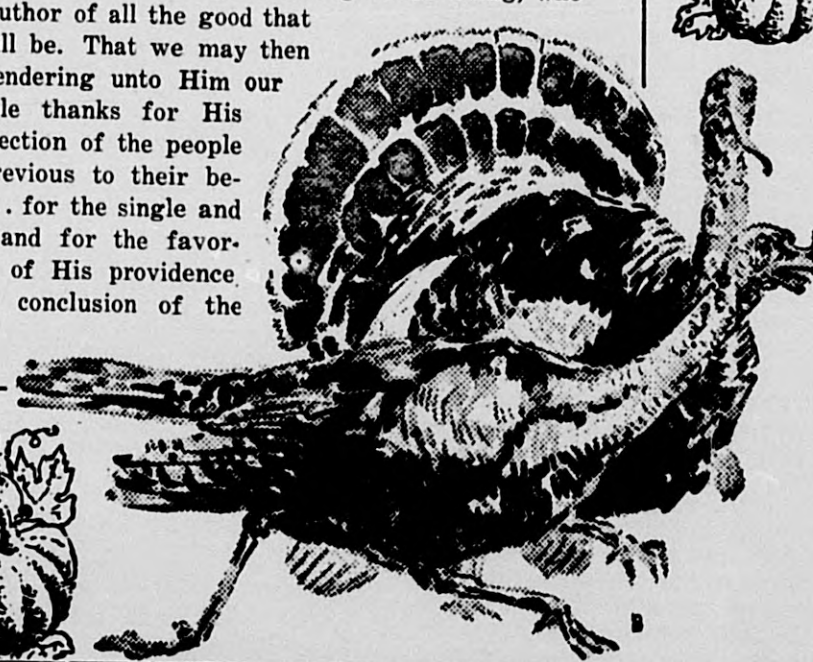
In these times of stress, she has rescued many of us from despair, providing sustenance and sharing the heritage of the ages. We live in a serene society.

Whether we are just beginning here, or whether we are about to leave, our thanksgiving to Alma should be something more than a hallowed spot in our hearts. What better gift can a student leave his Alma Mater than the exercise of his influence in obtaining other students to carry on her traditions? What better opportunity to work for Alma than these mid-year vacation periods? To have ideals for one's college, to work for those ideals, is not this true Thanksgiving?

The First Thanksgiving Proclamation

By George Washington, 1789

NOW, THEREFORE, I do recommend and assign Thursday, the 26th day of November next, to be devoted by the people of these States to the service of that great and glorious Being, who is the beneficent author of all the good that was, that is, or will be. That we may then all unite in the rendering unto Him our sincere and humble thanks for His kind care and protection of the people of this country previous to their becoming a nation . . . for the single and manifold mercies, and for the favorable interpretation of His providence in the course and conclusion of the late war.



College Given Home, Library, in 2 Wills

The personal library of the late Dr. Willard K. Spencer, of Ionia, has been willed to Alma College, according to word just received from the Grand Rapids Trust Company.

Dr. Spencer was a student of merit, and had broad interests. The exact details of the library's contents are not yet known to the administration, but according to Dr. Crooks this library is said to have more valuable works in general literature than are usually found in individual collections.

During the past week word has come that the probate court holds Alma College legally entitled to the property of Miss Louise Zwergel, of Niles. Miss Zwergel, whose death occurred during the summer, willed her Niles home to Alma, but the provision was contested by relatives. Unless the case is appealed within the next few days, the home will become the property of the College.

C. E. HAS THANKS- GIVING SERVICE

Merrill Hendershot, a graduate of the College and a local lawyer, spoke at the Thanksgiving service at the College C. E. Sunday, November 26. The worship service, led by Elizabeth Chapin, was carried out with the theme of giving thanks.

Sunday afternoon the service at the Masonic Home was conducted by the College C. E. There was special music and also a talk by George Bijjani.

PROF. DITTO TALKS TODAY

Prof. Raymond C. Ditto, head of the Physics Department, will present this morning the fourth in a series of talks being given by Faculty members in Chapel.

TWO SCOTS ON 2ND MIAA TEAM

Mel Fuller and W. Block Are Second Choices; Scots Fail to Make 1st Eleven.

For the first time in over a decade no Alma College football players were picked by coaches to represent Alma on the first team of all-star selections. However, Melvin Fuller and Wilson Block were selected on the second team. Both boys played Alma High, the former playing three years, and the latter four.

The M. I. A. A. coaches met last week at Grand Rapids to pick the stars and to draw up the schedules for 1934 football, basketball, and track. Olivet intimated that they may not enter the M. I. A. A. football schedule again next year.

The following are the selections made by the coaches:

First Team
Left End—Damson, Hope.
Left Tackle—Richardson, Albion.
Left Guard—Simons, Hillsdale.
Center—F. Stanich, Hillsdale.
Right Guard—Tucker, Kazoo.
Right Tackle—Kress, Kazoo.
Right End—Nardi, Hillsdale.
Quarterback—Japinga, Hope.
Left Half—Pempin, Hillsdale.
Right Half—Brown, Albion.
Fullback—Neifert, Kazoo.

Second Team
L. E.—Carlton, Kazoo.
L. T.—Klomparsens, Hope.
L. G.—Inglis, Kazoo.
Center—Slagh, Hope.

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Drama Club to Give 2 More Short Plays

"Much Ado About Loving," a one-act play by Glenn Hughes, will be presented in the Chapel by the Drama Club the week after Thanksgiving. Bud Campbell is the director.

The week before the Christmas vacation another short play entitled "Curses! What a Night!" will be given. Paul Ditto will direct this, and announces that the audience will have plenty of chance for the good old Bronx cheer.

Mac Oakley, president of the Drama Club, states that the Club will give two major productions in the spring instead of the one play usually given at Commencement week. Oakley, William Johnson and Paul Ditto last week went to Ypsilanti to see "Death Takes a Holiday" with a view to presenting this or a similar type of play during the spring season.

Coach Argyle and Clifford Erickson, lately of Newberry and St. Louis left friendly soil last Friday for warmer climes and incidentally to take in the Notre Dame Southern California game at South Bend. Jesse K. Harper, who is athletic director at N. D., was Argyle's coach at Alma, twenty-five years ago.

NOTICE
There will be no Almanian next week, due to Thanksgiving vacation. The next regular issue of the paper will come out on Tuesday, December 12. The December 19th issue will be the last before Christmas. Students desiring publicity for events are urged to hand in material as soon after Thanksgiving vacation as possible.

HALLIN SPEAKS AT STATE TODAY

Extemporaneous Contests to Be Held This Afternoon and Evening at M. S. C.

Ray Hallin will represent Alma this afternoon at Michigan State College in the all-state extempore speaking contests, when delegates from institutions in the Michigan Intercollegiate Speech Association meet to decide the state championship.

Other colleges besides Alma expected to enter representatives are Adrian, Albion, Battle Creek, Calvin, Central State Teachers College, Detroit City College, Hillsdale, Hope, Kalamazoo, Michigan State, Michigan State Normal, Olivet, University of Detroit, and Western State Teachers College. According to the provisions of the new Speech League, colleges are required to enter five contests, in the fields of debate, oratory, extempore speaking or interpretative reading. Some institutions may confine their efforts to other fields and send no delegates to tonight's contest.

The elimination program begins at four o'clock this afternoon. Each delegate, upon designating the general field in which he desires to speak, will have two choices of subject matter. The men this year may speak on "Hitler" or the "National Recovery Act," the women on "Crime," or "Public Education." Drawings for topics will be eight minutes apart, and each contestant will have an hour in which to prepare his speech.

All but four men and four women will be eliminated this afternoon. The survivors meet at eight o'clock tonight to talk for ten minutes apiece. First prize for each is a gold medal, and second prize a silver one. Prof. M. S. Drake of Michigan State College is chairman of the Extempore Division, and is in charge of the contests.

CHOIR WILL NOT SING CHRISTMAS; CHORUS OF "MESSIAH" PICKED

There will be no A Cappella Choir concert at Christmastime, announced Prof. J. W. Ewer at practice last Tuesday night. Instead, Handel's "Messiah" will be sung by a group of twelve at a vesper candlelight service on Sunday, December 17.

The change in plans is a measure of economy, because the Christmas collection is never large enough to pay the cost of music. The Choir will use the extension of time to work up an entirely new program for a concert sometime in February.

Tenors working on parts in the Messiah chorus are Vern Wright, Chester Robinson, and Robert King. Sopranos include Mrs. Roy Hamilton, Mrs. Fred Soper, and Mrs. Ruth Moore. Contraltos are Mrs. Mildred Youngquist, Mrs. Royal Campbell, and Mrs. Marion Grover Phillips, while bass parts will be sung by William Boyd, Dr. Wilford Kaumann, and Prof. Ewer, with Miss Grace Roberts as accompanist.

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"Summas" Not So Easy for Oncoming Grads

At the suggestion of President Crooks and Professor Randels, the Faculty at their last meeting, voted to pass a resolution to raise the standards regarding the requirements for honor diplomas.

Until the present time it has been customary to give a "summa cum laude" diploma for a 2.5 ranking; a "magna cum laude" diploma for a 2.25 ranking; and a "cum laude" diploma for a 1.67 ranking. The marks now must average 2.75 for a "summa", a 2.5 for a "magna", and a 2.25 for a "cum".

The question arose from the fact that in the past few years a surprisingly large number of students have received honor diplomas. Instead of being an honor, it has become a common occurrence to gain such distinction. However, in fairness to the present senior class, this new program will not be adopted until next year.

Other schools in the state recognize only the highest honors and at some, including Albion, it is necessary to get all A's or a 3.00 for a "summa" degree, while the other marks vary accordingly.

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Tu-lips and the Bench Beneath



Last week's crack about Menoch was sorta vague. Corrected version: "Sorta looks as if Menoch's out of luck."

Marj (How long shall I keep him waiting?) Andersen to class just escaping history exam: "Miss Gesner's in her pajamas, but she'll be right over." Prof. Clack says if Abie had known that he'd have hung around a while longer.

The Secret Six—Mabel, Con, Jan, etc., etc., and Hugh Rea.

A bouquet of BO-weeds to prexie for talking overtime in Chapel Tuesday; for talking overtime in Chapel Wednesday; for talking overtime in Chapel any other day. No souls were ever won after the first five (NRA) minutes.

Boergert likes one of the new A Cappella Choir selections so well that he tenored it in the arms of Morpheus the other night. Roomie Culver asked for an encore, and Johnnie obligingly complied.

But Boergert says he isn't the only one who talks in his sleep. Ask MacDonald, Fraker, or even Culver. Bob can even sleep in his talk.

We note that old "Fire Pants" is on the marg-in of love.

Call up Prof. Weimer sometime at 490. He's making a note of each call so that he can prove to the Student Council that he isn't wasting student money.

Bill Boyd was in Detroit last week-end. That's where he was. He says he has a brother down there.

Now what's happened to Clark? Hannigan took Hanley to the League Formal.

And speaking of the formal, Bushnell was conspicuous by his absence.

Gretchen doesn't know nuthin'. All the profs told her so.

Charlotte Striffler says her diary is Chuck full.

Helen Reynolds and Keith Yale threw a swell steak dinner for Herb and Jane, Tommy and Jean. Jane's crazy over Herb, but he knows it.

One of the Frolic imports had nervous prostration when she read about the leaning tower dancers in last week's paper. "Don't be mid-Victorian", quoth she.

Reva broke off part of her tooth and swallowed it Sunday.

What's the matter with Spendlove and Vitek? They're all right. Yowsah!

Lornie Smith's beginning to believe that variety is the spice of something. Mary Craig bought his stationery Saturday night.

And speaking of stationery, that perfect gentleman turned out to be Emery, who took the thing seriously and gave his favor to Genevieve.

There are other gentlemen round about. Hats off to Eddie Goggin, Bill Johnson, Paul Ditto and Gordie Clack, for the corsages that were addressed to Gretchen, Jane, Elizabeth Ann and Wilma.

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Edna Wallace Hopper would have looked her age if she could have seen Topsy and Koth plastered Sunday. Plastered—with wet oatmeal! It dried on to the consistency of cement and Topsy couldn't even contribute any cracks to this column.

Onilee imported two men Saturday night, so Melva took one of them off her hands.

The formal had other promising (?) combinations: Randels and Ludwig, Andersen and Kenny Brown, Dot Striffler and Ned Du-Long, Vesta and Boergert, Lowden and Hastings, Osterhaus and Dickinson, Aileen and Larry Muscott. Stan Bussard even gave Edna Parker a break.

Wotta hangover! The Zetas even came to breakfast in their tuxes.

The Hall knitwits are about to form a Needlework Guild. Helen MacCurdy tats upside down (we mean the tatting).

Those who take classes from Ditto get their money's worth. They say he keeps talking to the class after the bell rings, and they're in the hall and out of hearing.

What about the dancing lessons last week over at the Fraker House? How about it, Brown, Culver, and DeLong?

In Hammy's lit class Monday they read a lyric called "A Burning Babe." "Aha", said Carter, "Mae West!"

It's morning, noon, and night with Kilmer and Richmond Johnson.

Item: The attractive Junior girl who is crazy over Kelly isn't Jean Fowler.

LEYRER, NORTH, CLACK ATTEND CONFERENCE

Benjamin Leyrer, Marshall North, and Gordon Clack plan to attend the Michigan Older Boys' Conference at Kalamazoo during the Thanksgiving vacation. Young men representing churches, schools, Hi-Y Clubs, Young People's organizations, and Y. M. C. A. clubs will gather with national leaders in young peoples' work for a three day session, beginning December 1.

Among the prominent names listed as speakers are those of Dr. Albert W. Beaven, president of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America; Mr. Max Yergan, winner of the Harmon award for distinguished service to the colored race; Mr. Samuel S. Wyer, engineer and economist of Columbus, Ohio; Mr. George W. Campbell, musician. Walter L. Jenkins, whose name is well-known to Presbyterian conference people throughout the state, will act as a leader, as will Dr. Royal G. Hall of Albion, and Dr. W. H. Aulenbach, of Cranbrook.

Among the topics that will be brought up for consideration are those dealing with vocational and educational problems, the use of leisure time, community influence, economic changes, the crisis in personal morals, the planned society, and the Christian answer.

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STUDENT FORUM

Dear Editor:

Each year there are brought to our Campus outside speakers who are supposed to contribute to the advancement of our education. It has often happened that either before the speaker is heard or following his talks, groups are invited to meet with him.

What I would like to know is why these groups are almost to an entirety of the same composition? Certain ones of this group even refer to themselves as "we bright people," in comparing themselves with us average nobodies. But to return to my original line of inquiry. If there is only one small group for whom these educational inspirations are meant, doesn't that throw us back to the Middle Ages so far as culture and enlightenment are concerned? Must Alma College admit that all its educational energy is directed to develop one type of personality and outlook on life?

Can you tell me why any speaker with a vital message shouldn't generally affect a cosmopolitan group of students and their thought and action? There are many persons on this Campus who are not the conference-goer, hand-shaker, or semi-pro "your talk certainly was of vital importance" types, who could make valuable use of these more personal before-and-after speech conferences, if they were only invited to share them.

Does the common pomme de terre have a place in this world as well as the beautiful cream-puff?
 Not So Bright.

Dear Editor:

T. R. J. is dead. He died of shame after reading Dr. Emil Nearts' annihilating, intellectual and impersonal defense of ancient tradition. The remnant that is left of me desires only to bow before the intellect of the conqueror.

I had no idea my poor words were important enough to draw the attention of so great a man. My humility is matched only by my elation that he should have remembered so accurately a statement I made two years ago in a sociology class. I am now preparing my memoirs in which I shall include the quotation so kindly noted. I believe I am justified because anything that lives so long in so logical a mind as my vanquisher's must have more than a grain of truth in it, else he would not have been so wasteful as to retain it.

Dr. Nearts will rise to fame and glory, and I shall go down to oblivion; but I am comforted in knowing that I inspired him to write his first treatise in which he gave the world so much constructive and profound information. Of course I based my judgments of a class of people on the statements of Dr. Woodworth, a poor fool of an eminent psychologist; and Dr. Jordan, another person equally as stupid. The ideas of these men I readily discard in favor of our new authority.

In that sociology course, and in subsequent ones which I have taken in spite of the fact that Dr. Nearts did not deem them important enough for his time, I have learned that people can get very little from the narrow collection of books which they may have in their rooms. Of course, I no longer believe that, since my attacker has consigned me to my quiet cell for study, and I know that he possesses the ultimate truths in all matters.

Since the great enlightenment, psychologists now hold that the best way to get people to put forth an effort in study is to make it more difficult for them to approach the materials. No doubt the Museum is of far greater value because we must ask for the key in order to get into it. Certainly it encourages use of the educational things found there. Anyone in position to write such a letter as Emil did has, of course, been through countless museums, and

has come to the conclusion that nothing found in them demands more than one visitation for appreciation. Dr. MacCurdy will agree to that, no doubt.

A dull person like myself must capitalize on what little he has to offer. May I advertise my new business?

Irritating Quotes Made to Order

T. R. J.

Bound to Get Results

For Reference See

Emil Nearts

T. R. J.

To the Editor:

As a contributor to the Student Forum and a reader of The Almanian, I should like to ask that the space be used for honest and thoughtful criticism of college problems rather than the farm-yard tactics of mud slinging that were used by Emil Nearts last week. Every letter should offer some constructive idea or sensible destructive criticism. Certainly the one I mention revealed nothing more than a personal animosity.

B. U.

Dear Editor:

There is a great deal of musical talent on this Campus that is not used in any way whatever. We are referring especially to those who play stringed instruments. Why can't we have an orchestra as well as a band and choir? Other colleges have all three organizations. Many of the students were disappointed on coming to college to find no outlet for letting off their musical steam. The result is that they are becoming out of practice. Of course they can practice individually but there is something in group work that they miss in playing alone.

Professor Ewer is willing to give his services as director and to furnish music. The rest lies with you. We need your interest and cooperation. Don't be afraid that you can't play well enough. We don't want professionals—we want amateurs, for aren't most of us just that? Let's start this ball rolling right after Thanksgiving vacation and give this Campus some real orchestra music.
 A. W.
 M. L. N.

WOMEN TO TAKE PART IN INTRAMURALS

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Bennett, who has had charge of freshman athletics this year. Gordon Clack, Lawrence Smith, and Joe Vitek are the students in charge of the men's basketball, boxing and wrestling activities.

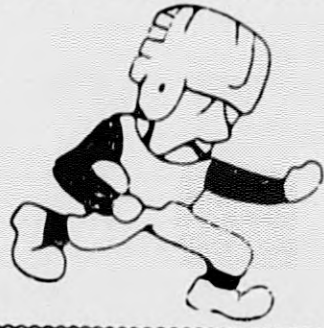
Last year a large number of teams entered the basketball contest, which was won by the Junior class. In an effort to get out as many students as possible, the Student Council plans to cooperate with Mr. Bennett. These local activities which received such popular response from the student body last year will afford the freshmen an opportunity to play basketball, inasmuch as there will be no regular first year team. The cost of the awards last season was largely covered by five-cent admissions to games and contests.

CHOIR WILL NOT SING CHRISTMAS

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Prof. Ewer announced that he is pleased with the size of the A Cappella Choir this season, as each voice section is well represented. Some of the new numbers in anticipation of the February concert are: "Oh Lord, We Pray," by Drozdoff; "Lord of Spirits," by Reissiger; "Lord, for Thy Tender Mercies' Sake," by Farrant; "Fierce Raged the Tempest O'er the Deep," by Candlyn; "Dear Land of Home" from the tone poem "Finlandia," by Sibelius; "Fireflies," a Russian folk song, and that old favorite, "Swing Low, Sweet Chariot," in a different arrangement by Huntley.

We wouldn't insist, but we heard that Con and Corky got in for half-price, on account of coming late.



SPORTS



3 CHAMPS START CAGERS' SEASON

Dawson, Kahn, and Volk Remain; Coach Sees Chance to Win Title Again.

The Scots began basketball practice last week in the attempt to defend the title won last year in the M.I.A.A. Three regulars from the championship team have returned, and with the reserves and members of a successful Frosh team, Argyle hopes to have as strong a team as before.

Gordon "Bud" Dawson, who last year was the second highest scorer in the M.I.A.A., is back at his berth at forward. John Volk still remains the tallest center in the association, and Abie Kahn is playing his third year at guard although originally a forward.

Kelly Beach, Dick Johnson, Bill Bushnell and Stan Bussard remain from the rest of the squad of last year. Bob Campbell and Jim Day, two upperclassmen, hope to break in on the varsity this year. Al Glance and Mel Fuller lead the sophomores for places on the first five, Hugh Rea, Eddie Goggin and the Block brothers, Wadgie and Riley, make up the rest, with Hughes Noble of the first year men of varsity competition.

Besides "Bull" Borton, the leading scorer in the M.I.A.A., who was graduated last year, Howdy Catherman and Glenn Hunter are not with the team this year. The latter two did not return last fall. Catherman was the only member of the first five who was not six feet or more in height.

Besides the usual M.I.A.A. schools, the Scots have a game with Ypsi. Pre-season games are also being planned with Port Huron Y., the I. M. I. of Flint, and the Universal Carloaders of Grand Rapids.

The Schedule
 Jan. 9—Alma at Hillsdale.
 Jan. 12—Kalamazoo, here.
 Jan. 16—Alma at Albion.
 Jan. 19—Alma at Hope.
 Feb. 2—Alma at Ypsi.
 Feb. 6—Albion, here.
 Feb. 9—Hillsdale, here.
 Feb. 16—Hope, here.
 Feb. 20—Alma at Olivet.
 Feb. 23—Alma at Kalamazoo.
 Feb. 28—Olivet, here.

MINUTES A. B. C. MEETING
 November 22, 1933
 Pres. Clack called the meeting to order at 1:10 P. M.

Dr. Crooks moved to accept confirmation of Dawson as M. I. A. A. representative. Seconded by Prof. Clack. Passed.

Discussion of award rules by other M. I. A. A. schools and also of awards for Alma freshmen, on football team.

Reported by Pres. Clack that sweaters for Mann and King will be paid for by the Student Council, provided that sweaters remain the property of the Council.

Prof. Clack moved A. B. C. report to Student Council that the Board recommends time for giving awards to continue as in past. Supported by Dawson. Passed.

Motion by Dr. Crooks and supported by Chet Robinson that vote of approval be given Student Council plan for intramural sports. Passed.

Prof. Clack moved to accept recommendations of list of 15 as to awards in football; also to approve of Coach's recommendation with regard to letters for Volk and Johnson, who have fulfilled equivalent of the technical rule regarding football letters. Supported by Robinson, and passed.

Men named to receive letters. Dawson, Johnson, Estes, Volk, Bacon, Bushnell, Bussard, Hubbard, Clack and Erickson.

Men receiving first letter on a sweater, Glance, Fuller, W. Block, L. Block, Dean, Vitek, and York. Moved by Clack to approve awards for those freshmen who are recommended by the coaches, for faithfulness and spirit. Supported by Oakley. Passed.

Discussion of pre-season basketball games. Student Manager, Graduate Manager, and Coach to arrange for games.

Moved by Dr. Crooks that Student Manager arrange game with downtown team for purpose of raising money to buy new suits for the basketball team. Supported by Davis. Passed.

Motion by Clack for adjournment. Supported by Robinson. Meeting adjourned at 3:20 P. M. Respectfully submitted, L. M. Oakley (secretary)

RELIGIOUS EDUCATORS CONVENE AT LANSING

President Harry Means Crooks and Prof. Charles W. Brokenshire last Monday attended a conference of thirty college presidents, deans, and professors of religious education, held at the Hotel Olds in Lansing. The conference was called by leaders in the fields of religious education, for the purpose of discussing ways and means to coordinate the work of colleges and churches.

Among the outstanding speakers were Dr. Harold McAfee Robinson, president of the Board of Christian Education; Dr. Frederick C. Eiselein, secretary of the Methodist Board of Education, and Hugh Monroe, secretary of the National Council of Religious Education at Chicago. The aim of the conference was to offer practical suggestions by which denominational colleges might make a more extensive and immediate contribution through the local churches.

JOHN WALLS AT HIGHLAND PARK J. C.

John Walls, who attended Alma College last year, is now a student at Highland Park Junior College, where he is on the reportorial staff of the college paper. John writes: "I am sending you a copy of The Tatler, Highland Park Junior College paper, published twice each month. I have enjoyed the little reporting that I have done very much." Walls' address is 116 Cortland Ave., Highland Park.

ALMA COLLEGE LIBRARY

The College Library will be closed on Thanksgiving Day, and for the remainder of the Thanksgiving vacation, including Friday and Saturday, December 1st and 2d. It will remain open as usual all day, Wednesday, November 29th. All books are due for return November 29th. Books may not be taken out of town unless the usual special arrangement is made for this.

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Highlights by "Proxy"



"No, sir, I don't approve of your little party—it's getting too rough for me"—or words to that effect were spoken by Economist and Adviser to the Treasury O. M. W. Sprague last week, "where is my hat?" His resignation followed a general shift around in the Treasury—as "Highlights" (yowsah) reported last week—but was finally brought about when an order from new acting-chief-purser Morgenthau forbade government officials to have direct contact with the press. Sprague's resignation affected the stock market—downward—as well as bonds—governments included—and it was one of the most difficult situations in which the administration's monetary program had yet found itself. This policy was bolstered by the "Committee for the Nation"—a group of businessmen—Rand, Rosenwald, Wood, Vanderlip, and Cord—who began propaganda programs for the administration's methods.

On his way to Warm Springs last week Roosevelt stopped off at Savannah to help celebrate the bicentennial of Georgia and among other things said, "It has been remarked of late by certain modern Tories that those who are today in charge of your government are guilty of great experimentation—and they are right—" To think that some people will have to be called Tories again after all these years—too bad we can't find some new names—shades of Washington and Howe and Cornwallis—"radicals", "socialists", even "communists"—these are names that can be endured—but Tories! tsk tsk.

Raskob et al broke bread with the Prex and on the way out of the w. k. White House Smith stopped at Mrs. Roosevelt's tea inquiring the number of grandchildren she had—"I've got eight—but don't give up, you've still got a chance," he told her. But now he's talking about the "baloney" dollar—ah me—another Tory? ?

In spite of recognition, diplomatic horse trading continued between Litvinov and Roosevelt last week—Bullitt's uncle, the Rev. James F. Bullitt of Philadelphia didn't approve—

Parliament reported a shift to large cruisers last week, discovered government finances were progressing nicely—noted a more potent labor representation and several Liberal M. P.'s allied themselves with the MacDonald government. Mussolini cancelled the Chamber of Deputies power to legislate in economic affairs—power went to the National Council of Corporations—was booming his Four-Power-Pact as stronger than the League of Nations. Moscow picked Trotsky last week, an influential trader and diplomat, as ambassador to Washington.—Germany was torn by religious strife along with other troubles—probably touched off by celebration of Luther's 450th anniversary—Catholics allied with other anti-Nazi churchmen against Hitler. Spain saw elections turn power definitely toward the conservative party—women voted for the first time—ah me—let the women do the work. Poland's Pilsudski—also a dictator—made peace overtures to Hitler last week, but continued to prepare for war. King Carol—the sheik—was losing power in Rumania when he was forced to accept a cabinet not picked by himself—Welles was sent back to Cuba as ambassador in spite of opposition by the San Martin government.

Medical news was headed by the work of Dr. Stephen John Maher who reported great advance in work on the T. B. germ—hoping to be on the road to finding a preventative or curative.

Aeronautics was abuzz with proposals for a pontoon chain over the sea—

Name in news—we've heard of a Mr. Holdengrabber last week—also of a tipsy repeal celebrant who wanted to fight several people, finally was told by the bartender—"You're looney"

"How did you know?" he asked. Upon being taken to the station it was discovered that he really was looney—(Mr. Oscar something or other) Looney—

It was like old times with Bob Cant and Nick back.

FROSH LOSE NO GAMES, CLAIM CHAMPIONSHIP

The freshmen have completed a very peculiar football season. They practiced and prepared but played no games. They learned signals only to forget them. They played the varsity only for the sake of giving the upperclassmen something to do.

However, the season completed has been of much value to those men who were able to practice regularly. Under Coach Lyle Bennett, they learned about the various systems of football employed by other schools. They had plenty of time to learn the advantages and disadvantages of the Warner and Notre Dame systems as well as many others. And above all, they had ample opportunity to test themselves at various positions. No man played at less than two positions throughout the season and most of them played every position on the team.

There are many promising football players in the class of '37. Such men as Leo Washburn, Clyde Dawe, Ben Ewer, Steve Keglovitz, Bob Mack, Bob Carter, John Fraker, Ray Hallin, and the two Gordons, Mann and Purdy will have to be considered when the varsity roll call takes place next fall. Al Fortino, another local boy, will also be around. Washburn has played a dependable game at tackle all year, and Dawe showed exceptional ability as a backfield star. His passing, blocking and running will come in very handy next year. Ben Ewer, Bob Carter, and Steve Keglovitz did very gratifying work in the backfield also.

Mack, Culver, Fraker, Hallin, Mann, Purdy, Storbeck and Fortino have done yeoman work in the line all season. Corson Bernd, Fred Delevan, Fred Soper, Earl Tomes, and Earl Zimmerman, although not able to be out every night, turned in valuable performances when they were able to work.

WINNERS OF LETTERS AND SWEATERS NAMED

Ten men will receive letters and seven others sweaters with first letters, according to an announcement by the Athletic Board of Control, Wednesday.

Gordon Dawson, Richard Johnson, Ronald Bacon, William Bushnell, Gordon Clack, Stanley Bussard, Russell Hubbard, Herbert Estes, John Volk, and Fern Erickson will get letters. Those who will receive their first letter on a sweater are Melvin Fuller, Wilson Block, Al Glance, LeRoy Block, Max Dean, Joe Vitek, and Bruce York.

The appointment of Gordon Dawson as M. I. A. A. representative was confirmed at the meeting. Freshmen recommended by the coaches will receive the regular awards, in spite of the fact that there were no games scheduled.

The Athletic Board of Control also expressed itself in favor of the new intramural program planned by the Student Council, in which girls as well as men will be given an opportunity to participate. Plans for procuring new suits for the basketball team were also discussed and it is likely that games will be arranged with downtown teams to this end.

Freshman Returns to Home for Operation

Prof. Tyler really had a broken bone in that foot. Helen Koth broke her finger in a gym session. Marjory had her tonsils out more than a week ago, and word comes from Scribner that he survived an operation in fine shape.

Scribner, a freshman, went home to the northern peninsula a week ago to undergo an operation for the removal of a tumor from his partly amputated leg. A card received the other day indicated that he is getting well, and plans to return to school as soon as possible. Mail may be addressed to him at Brimley, Michigan.

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**AMERICAN EDUCATION
 FAULTY, PROF. TYLER
 ASSERTS IN LECTURE**

"One of the principal defects of the American educational system is that we have not defined our objectives as clearly as we should," Prof. Leon L. Tyler told members of the Faculty and citizens of Alma and Ithaca in his address on Contemporary Education, at the College Library last Wednesday evening.

"Education should not confine itself to the cultivation of literary, of intellectualism, or of vocational skills but should recognize the whole of life: health and physical well-being, political and social training, adaptation to a machine age, emotional and aesthetic development, and preparation for leisure."

Prof. Tyler addressed one of the largest crowds that has ever attended a Faculty talk of this nature. A pot-luck supper preceded the speech.

In a broad discussion of his subject, Prof. Tyler reviewed with charts the present educational systems of the various nations. Speaking of the English institution, he said the fundamental aim is to cultivate the "perfect" English gentleman by a broad education in the arts, sciences, languages, and physical training. France, on the other hand, has as its ideal a culture based on French literature, philosophy, and art. This system is very selective, and only a few reach secondary schools as compared with the United States.

He next gave a detailed account of the Russian system motivated by the philosophy of Lenin, who holds that the principle of education is propaganda, and that schools should not be separated from politics. Indoctrination is the basic idea of their educational procedure. Students have no laboratories but use factories and fields for study and experiment.

Italian schools are controlled by Mussolini and are similar to the Russian plan in that they are using their schools for the purpose of promoting a strong and compelling enthusiasm for a stronger Italy through Fascism. He also touched on Germany prior to Hitler, pointing out the great number of secondary schools.

Prof. Tyler concluded his speech with a brief discussion of the American system, condemning the lack of united aim as well as a general inequality of opportunity. California and Alabama were praised for a better distribution of school monies and for better district organization and teacher-training standards.

**GERMAN CLUB HEARS
 LECTURE ON LUTHER**

The German Club, recently organized on the Campus by Dr. Theodore Schreiber, held its fourth meeting Monday night in the German room. The purpose of this meeting was to complete a discussion of Martin Luther begun in Chapel when the College celebrated the 450th anniversary of the German religious leader two weeks ago.

Following an informal discussion of Luther, based upon historical fact, and illustrated with cuts exhibited by Dr. Schreiber, Prof. Charles Brokenshire delivered a lecture on the same subject, accompanied by films on the life of Martin Luther.

Dr. Schreiber organized the Club at the beginning of the year, through the desire to make the subject of German of more practical value, and to extend student interest beyond the confines of the text book. The meetings are held every other Monday evening at eight o'clock, and current topics of historical interest are discussed. The executive forces, soon to be chosen, shall consist of College students, although visitors are welcome.

Guests last week included Miss Marjorie Gesner, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Montigel, and Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Montigel.

**TWO SCOTS ON 2ND
 M. I. A. A. TEAM**
 (Continued from page 1)

Finlay, Kazoo.
 R. G.—A. Stanich, Hillsdale.
 R. T.—Fuller, Alma.
 R. E.—W. Block, Alma.
 Q. B.—VanVoorhees, Hillsdale.
 L. H.—Rock, Hillsdale.
 R. H.—Survilla, Kazoo.
 F. B.—Nettinga, Hope.
 Honorable Mention
 Linemen—Hogan, Albion; Stickney, Hillsdale; Korstange, Hope.
 Backs—Allman, Albion; Linton, Hillsdale; Tysse, Hope.

Hillsdale College, thrice winners in the M. I. A. A., took the hon's share with four players on the first eleven and two on the second. Kalamazoo, who was held to a tie with Alma in the game up here, ranked next with three players. Hope and Albion took two players for the first eleven.

Both Fuller and Block are sophomores, so Alma's outlook does not look too blue for next year. Although these have never played together before, they were picked at right tackle and right end respectively. Block usually plays left end, and Fuller right tackle.

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