

Every man carries with him the world in which he must live--F. Marion Crawford

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ALMA WILL HOLD MOCK CONVENTION

FINAL EXAMINATIONS ARE ELIMINATED

'Drop' System Replaces Old Form Of Tests

Elimination of final examinations at Alma College as an experiment for the next two semesters was announced by Prof. Roy Hamilton, secretary to the faculty, Tuesday at the first chapel service of the new semester.

In explaining this innovation, Prof. Hamilton said that the change was being made with a view to stimulating students to keep up their work. Frequent tests will be given on the basis of all daily work to date he said.

Under this new system, all students will be graded three times a semester, as has been the custom for freshmen.

At the same time that he announced this system, Prof. Hamilton said that it is planned to give a standard comprehensive examination to all students at the end of their senior year. Such an examination, which will probably go into effect next year, would cover the entire college course, with special reference given to major subjects of each student.

Prof. Silas O. Rorem, head of the Alma department of education, said, "As soon as students realize that professors are not using the new change as a whip but as a means of review, the students will welcome the change."

Varsity Swing Saturday Night at St. Louis

The K. I. Varsity Swing will be held Saturday night, February 17 at the Park hotel, St. Louis. Kasa Royale orchestra will play for this girl-bid party. General chairman Lois Goldie asks that everyone wear old, comfortable clothes. College buses will transport all going to and from the dance, one bus leaving at 8:00 p. m. and another one at 8:30 p. m.; the ticket will state the time of leaving.

Blanche Bahlke is in charge of chaperones and tickets may be purchased from Jeanne Speerstra. The cost of transportation will be included in the ticket price.

Six per cent of the 1,300 men students at the University of North Dakota have Robert for their first name.

How Do You Like Our New Dress? New Makeup, More Feature Stories

Although Easter is nearly two months away, the Almanian is rushing the season and comes out today in a brand new dress with plenty of frills and decorations. The first issue of the new semester marks a change in Almanian makeup and policy of reporting. The change in makeup is made to please the reader's eye, saves more space is a bit more expensive and easier to handle.

In the new news writing policy, we are going to try and make more use of the editorial page which has been shifted to page 2. In a college as small as Alma, students will realize that it is virtually impossible to give adequate news cover-

'Argyle', 'Mac' Pick All-Alma Teams

A series of special sport feature articles will appear, beginning soon, in the Almanian, which will name two all-ALMA basketball teams. Royal "Argyle" Campbell who coached Alma's 'clans' from 1921 to 1935, has consented to select his all-time team from the men he has coached and present coach Gordon A. McDonald, who was schooled under Campbell, has agreed to pick a team composed of men whom he has coached at Alma since 1935.

Both men have selected teams which would make many other teams look sick. The feature will run for three weeks, the first week naming the forwards, the centers the second week, and the final week will announce guards.

13 Get All-A Honor Rating

Statistics issued by the Registrar's office shows that 96 Alma students were placed on the college Honor Roll for the first semester. Of this number, who received a 2.00 average or better, 13 students received an average of 3.00.

Seniors: Eleanor Blakely, Mildred Bradfish, Anita Byron, Joe Macdonald, Robert Spencer, 3.00; Jack Sieg, 2.73; Florence Teigenhof, 2.69; Margaret Arnold, Gladys Glass, 2.53; Hugh Cook, 2.50; Elaine Doubles, 2.47; Louise Johnson, 2.45; Margaret Ann Elliot, 2.44; Gene Lewis, 2.43; Jane Fraker, 2.33; Marjorie Sutton, 2.27; John Foster, Otokar Podrabsky, 2.25; Ivan Hodgson, 2.21; Ruth Hill, Jean Seavitt, 2.20; Hubert Hill, 2.18; Charles LeClaire, 2.13; Barney Roepeke, 2.12; Elizabeth Frevert, 2.10; Eileen Sullivan, 2.08; Roy Anderson and Webster Cutler, 2.00.

Juniors: Alfrada Bell, Lois Lindsay, Louise Marshall, Eugene Nixon, 3.00; Florence Brown, Marvin Koffman, 2.79; Dale Engold, 2.56; Arvo Jubola, 2.53; Gerald Lappin, Woodrow Woolley, 2.50; Carl Wahlsten, 2.48; Jeanette English, 2.37; Peter Pawlyk, 2.31; Mavis Harrison, Thomas Purdy, 2.24; Esteda Watson, 2.21; Harold Hodgson, 2.18; Ernest Gonyea, 2.14. (Continued on Page 2)

Frats Pledge 62 Freshmen Last Thursday

Pledges from Alma college's three fraternities were accepted by sixty-two first year men last Thursday morning. Twenty-four men accepted Zeta Sigma pledges, twenty-three, Phi Phi Alpha, and fifteen chose Delta Gamma Tau.

eta Sigma pledges are: Max Tullis, Charlotte; Neil MacNeil, Wyandotte; Charles Conzelman, Wayne Henrickson, Lee Smith, Detroit; Don Heimforth, Pete Batsakis, Dick Harris, Traverse City; Jack Blackman, Bob Schindehette, Frank Young, George Orluck, Saginaw; Ted Welgoss, Auburn, N.Y.; Bill Harsha, Portsmouth, O.; Henry Klein, Forrest MacInnes, Jim Herick, Alma; Bill Pink, Farmington; Don Peters, Bay City; Bob Connolly, Richard Beach, Newberry; Jack Doyle, Alpena; Cy Morrison, Grosse Pointe.

New Phi Phi Alpha pledges are: Bob Hoover, Bad Axe; Jay Green, Clare; Jim Gay, Ed Bradford, Gilbert Carter, Preston Delevan, Wallace Moore, F. Closson, Alma; Gerald Lavender, Maurice Johnson, Newberry; Dick Fishbeck, Don Gillard, Alpena; Dick Chesley, Jim Hicks, Detroit; Warren Allman, Wyandotte; Doug Bird, Charlevoix; Jack Crandall, West Branch; John Hicks, Monroe; Lorne Davis, Port Hope; Bob Hubler, Sturgis; Maurice Willits, Caro; Ed Owen, Portland, and Steve Brown, Alma. (Continued on page 2)

Alma Plans Radio Program On WWJ

Last Saturday a special Alma college program in the studios of radio station WWJ, The Detroit News, was arranged by Jack L. Crittenden, of the publicity department.

This will be one of a series of such programs given by colleges of Michigan under the sponsorship of the News. The program will be given from 8 to 9:30 Wednesday evening, May 8, according to arrangements made by the Alma representatives.

Present plans call for a concert by the choir under the direction of Prof. Jess W. Ewer and short talks concerning Alma college. Audience for the program will be high school students of the Detroit area who are considering college for the near future. Following the program, consultation will be held with these young people.

Alma college is fortunate in having an hour and a half program as many of the schools were forced to divide a program with some other school. Other schools represented include the University of Michigan, University of Detroit, Wayne University, Albion, Hillsdale, Olivet, Adrian, Michigan State, Michigan State Normal, Detroit Institute of Technology, Kalamazoo, and Marygrove Catholic school for girls. Of the MIAA schools, Hope is the only one not represented, while this is the first year that Alma and Adrian have entered the schedule.

Trustees' Head Gives Chapel Talk

"Covet earnestly the best gifts," was the advice of Dr. Samuel H. Forrer, president of the Alma college board of trustees, as he addressed the student body on "Real Values" last Tuesday morning at opening convocation services of the new semester.

Chapel opened with the academic procession led by Dr. Forrer, pastor of the Detroit Jefferson Avenue Presbyterian church, and Prof. Roy Hamilton, secretary to the faculty, who acted as chairman in the absence of President John W. Dunning. Dr. Charles D. Brokenshire gave the invocation, and the Rev. Chas. K. Johnson presented the Scripture reading.

Original Faculty Member Passes

Miss Mary Gelston, Ann Arbor, last of the original faculty members of Alma college, died Saturday, Feb. 3, at the home of her sister, Mrs. James Woodburn.

Past 90 years old, she was a Latin professor at Alma until 1910 when she went to Ann Arbor to live in retirement. During that time, she was also head of the girls' dormitory part time.

Attending the funeral Monday afternoon, Feb. 5, were Profs. James Mitchell and George Randels, representing Alma college.

President John W. Dunning, who knew Miss Gelston from personal contact during his school years here, says of the deceased:

"Miss Gelston was the greatest teacher I ever had. She had a genius for detail, yet represented also the most scholastic type of mind. She had a marvelous ability to create interest on the part of the student in the subject, so that he got a great deal out of the general information, but also liked it. Miss Gelston had high personal standards and a deep devotion to her work."

Three faculty members have been appointed to act as advisers for the three fraternities on the Alma campus. They are Prof. Wilford Kaufmann, Phi Phi Alpha; Prof. William Seaman, Zeta Sigma; and Carney Smith for Delta Gamma Tau.

In General, Students In Favor Of New System Of "Drop" Exams

In the Student Opinion Poll conducted last week by the Almanian, the general consensus of opinion of Alma students was in favor of the new "Drop" system of examinations which replaces the formal two-hour final examinations.

Questionnaires were given to each student and 92 were returned; sixty-seven in favor and 24 against the new set-up, with one remaining immaterial. Nearly one-quarter of the student enrollment was represented.

Many reasons in favor and against the new arrangement were given. Most of those against the change was the idea of unannounced exams. However, one

Johnson Tells Plans of Model Democratic Meet

Alma college will be the scene of a model National Democratic Convention, according to plans announced during the chapel program last Thursday by Prof. Charles K. Johnson. A student national committee was chosen by the students following the description of aims and procedure by Mr. Johnson.

The convention of the Democratic party was chosen over that of the Republican party because it offers the greater possibility for application and interest during this particular election year. There is the possibility of President Roosevelt upsetting precedent by seeking office for a third term; of Mrs. Roosevelt, herself, becoming a candidate; and the division of the Democratic party within its own ranks into factions centering around Vice President Garner, Federal Securities Administrator McNutt and others as possible candidates. These items make the Democratic convention one of contrast and interest, whereas a Republican Convention in this state would preclude the nomination of Senator Vandenberg as the Republican choice.

Bruce Mellinger was chosen as chairman of the national committee, with the following committee members serving as chairman of the various others divisions of that body: Marvin Koffman, ways and means; Morley Webb, finance; Charles LeClaire, campaign manager; Jack L. Crittenden, publicity; Charles McLean, credentials; Woodrow Woolley, resolutions; George DeHority, rules; Lois Lindsay, women's chairman; Betty Thomas, secretary.

This model Convention will follow the representation, convention rules, and campaigning of its legal duplicate.

Miss Andrews Announces Social Dancing Classes

Social dancing classes for Alma college students will begin at 7 Wednesday evening in the Recreation room of Pioneer hall, Miss Andrews, recreational director, announces.

These classes are for those who wish to learn to dance, or those who desire to improve their technique.

Women are requested to enter the Recreation room of Pioneer hall by the rear door on the west side of the building.

questionnaire was returned with "How can a student be expected to give up his social life to study," written on it.

Most of those in favor said they liked it because it did away with "cramming" at the end of semesters. Others thought it would be a good idea if professors used discretion on unannounced examinations.

Other reasons included: "—does away with the disgusting large amount of cheating during the exam period." "—more tests during the year will make the student keep up with the daily work; therefore a more thorough knowledge." (Continued on page four)

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Alma May Be Small, But It Makes Some Of The Larger Magazines

Alma college, comparatively small and insignificant among the hundreds of schools in the country, nevertheless managed to squeeze into two national magazines this past week. The New Yorker, that magazine which tries so hard to make every issue just like its predecessor, had us down on page forty because of our ability to keep ourselves reasonably in check. They accused us of recently inserting 146 slugs and only 4 nickels in the Wright Hall telephone. We would like a Mr. Farbstern, who admits having written the article, to know that it didn't happen recently, it happened over a year ago, also that those 146 cents weren't all slugs. At least six of them were pennies. We're sure of this as we used them to call Lansing one night. Later in his article, Mr. Farbstern mentions a Mr. Cerutti of St. Louis, who yawned so widely that he dislocated a vertebra in his neck. While reading the New Yorker, perhaps.

Then too, through the diligent efforts of an old alumnus, one Louis K. Cramton, we find in The Current "Down Bear" that Alma college sophomores have been diligently making pilgrimages twice weekly to Saginaw's Green Mill to admire with awe and wonderment the vocal endeavors of Miss Marcia Lynne, singing with Al Arter's band. We haven't yet had the opportunity to hear Miss Lynne but reports have it that

both Louis and the sophs know a good voice when they see it in an evening gown.

While doing a little late radio listening a few weeks ago we happened upon the music of one Gene Krupa. At about the halfway point in the program Mr. Krupa sort of slowed up for his second wind while a molten voiced announcer told us all about Mr. Krupa's environment. Not only could you be assured us, listen to Gene's nerve wrecking, hide thumping but you could do so while sitting in a big room with the ominous name of the Panther Room. As though this wouldn't be enough to far even the nerves of a Camel smoker we found that for a round fee, some two or three dollars, you could purchase a big sizzling steak, which would be brought to you on a flaming sword.

Imagine, if you will, finishing up a hard day at the office, dropping in to the Panther room for a little well-earned rest, only to be greeted by dotted upholstery, Krupa playing, six "Wire Brush Stomp" and a steak thrust at you on a sword carried we presume by a huge East Indian native, dressed only in a loin cloth, turban, and a lei of human teeth. No thanks, Mr. Announcer, we'll just slip down to the Main for a hamburger and a glass of warm milk to help us sleep.

That new knee-length curtain on the platform in the chapel, sure does cover up a multitude of sins.

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Betty Gamm, Tau pledges are: Paul Hurrell, Colbywater; Don Mattison, Dave Kifney, Auburn, N. Y.; George Peterson, Paul Guider, Jack Brown, Detroit; Wilbur McCrum, Flint; Jerry Duvendeck, Portsmouth, O.; Bill Galinet, Three Rivers; Walter Howe, Syl Fortino, Mel Medler, Alma; Don Allured, Kinde; Sutherland Hayden, Saginaw; Bruce MacKay, East Lansing.

W. A. A. Valentine Party Tomorrow for All Girls

The Alma college Women's Athletic association will hold a Valentine party for all college women tomorrow between 4-6 p. m. Jeanne Speerstra is in charge and entertainment will include games, cards, and dancing. It will be in the Wright hall lounge and Recreation room.

In 511 B. C., Confucious Said: - - Well What Did He Say Anyway

Nobody has escaped the friend who hunches up to him these days and intones in a sing-song voice, "Confucious say . . ." followed by a wisecrack of 1940 vintage. It's in the air these days.

Who was this guy Confucious, and what did he really say? Five hundred years before the birth of Christ, a giant of a man lived and taught in China a reverent group of pupils. He was Kunkfutz. Latinizing his name, foreigners called him Confucious. Until very recently, for nearly 2500 years, his wise and lofty, yet simple philosophies dominated the life of the Chinese millions.

Let's take a look at some of the "Confucious say . . ." cracks that are going the rounds these days, and also a few blown-in-the-bottle observations that Confucious really made, 2500 years ago:

Confucious Say (511 B. C.)

The superior man is rightly firm, not firm merely. The superior man thinks of virtue; the small man thinks of comfort.

To evoke love, one must love. To evoke respect, one must respect.

What the superior man seeks is in himself. What the mean man seeks is in others.

To be fond of learning is to be near to knowledge.

It is harder to be poor without murmuring than to be rich without arrogance.

Do not think yourself so large to deem others small.

Confucious Say: (1940 A. D.)

He who sits on electric chair gets amps in pants.

Man who slings mud loses ground.

He who sits on tack is better off.

He who accepts blind date usually gets prune.

He who bet on crooked horse race get taken for ride.

Man who go on trip to hear political speech Gone With the Wind.

He who spend all time at pool table end up behind eight-ball.

Beware of beauty expert, for she be panhandler.

He who cut self while shaving lose face.

(Reprinted from The Kalamazoo Gazette.)

In the Editor's Mail Box

If I remember correctly, Alma has an organization of musicians who, if one does not expect much, can be called a band. In most institutions of higher learning they receive a lot of practice, practicing at various athletic contests. I wonder if we at Alma could not have the pleasure of watching our band practice, say at somewhere like a basketball game.

Yours for uniting the band with a hand to make noise for Alma.
Music-minded.

HONOR ROLL

(Continued from page 1.)

Henry Broughall, Constance Sieg, and Jeanne Speerstra, 2.00.

Sophomores: George DeHority, Bruce Mellinger, Victor Potter, Shirley Saad, 3.00; Elmer Baker, 2.88; Jean Taylor, 2.80; Ruth Wille, 2.79; Lee Clack 2.76; Frieda Volpel, 2.69; Blanche Bahlke, 2.63; Eugene Link, 2.56; Ken Peterson, 2.44; Bruce Lindley, 2.41; Randolph Parsons, 2.40; Robert Dickinson, 2.33; Deane Fink, 2.32; Reginald Hocking, 2.19; Verna Bernecker, 2.06; Jack Crittenden, 2.03; Mary Brunner, Elizabeth Cleland, Clifford Leestma, Irma Niederschmidt, Joyce Snyder, Russell Sterling, and Ann Wacker, 2.00.

Freshmen: Phyllis Sowton, 2.81; Erita Ham, 2.80; Paul Hurrell, 2.78; Virginia Wilson, 2.59; Don Allured, 2.41; Lois Ritchie, 2.40; Elizabeth Miller, 2.38; Robert Phillips, 2.33; Phyllis Taylor, 2.31; Don Mattison, Bill Pink, 2.25; Wilbur McCrum, 2.17; Jack Crandall, Marjorie Croft, 2.13; Gerald Lavender, Edwin Owen, Austin Pettvjohn, and Elizabeth Raymond, 2.00.

Miami University tests have proven that men have more rhythm than women.

The World In Review

By George H. DeHority

Frank Murphy took his judicial oath of office as associate justice of the Supreme Court of the United States Monday. In doing so, he became the fifth appointee of President Roosevelt to ascend the high bench. Murphy, a former governor of Michigan, former governor general of the Philippines, was Attorney General of the United States when he received his appointment to the court.

Wednesday found Congress taking action upon the Soviet-Finnish dispute. The House twice defeated the organized effort to sever diplomatic relations with Soviet Russia. At the same time, the Senate, acting upon the suggestion of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, sanctioned an increase of \$100,000,000 of the lending authority of the Export-Import bank, with a maximum credit of \$20,000,000 to any one country. This act was aimed at help to Finland and China.

The biggest news of the week to Americans was Pres. Roosevelt's announcement Friday that he was sending Sumner Wells, under-secretary of state, to Europe for a personal survey of conditions in Italy, France, Germany, and Great Britain. Disclosing the move at a press conference, the president said Wells had been instructed to make no proposals or comments in the name of the United States. Statements made to him by officials of European governments will be received solely for the President and Secretary Hull, Mr. Roosevelt said.

The Saturday speech of President Roosevelt before the American Youth Congress in Washington broke precedent by the derogatory criticism by our president of the Soviet Government, a nominally friendly nation. The Youth Congress has been strongly accused by many of the nation's leading personages as being Communist-dominated. The President declared that any Communists in the organization had a right as Americans to call themselves Communists and peacefully and openly to advocate certain ideals of theoretical Communism if they confined such advocacy to Constitutional methods. But he denounced any attempt "to subvert the Government and the Constitution of this nation."

Many Interesting Books Are Found in Library

"Huntsman, What Quarry," by Edna St. Vincent Millay. A collection of lyrics and sonnets by one of the best of modern American poets, one section reflecting her feelings for China, Czechoslovakia, and Spain.

"Inside Asia," by John Gunther. A journalist's impressions from journeys over China, Japan, Manchukuo, the Philippines, Siam, India, Iran, Arabia, and Palestine.

"Too Much College," by Stephen Leacock. Essays in semi-humorous vein by the well-known humorist and professor emeritus of McGill University on the state of higher education in the United States and Canada.

"Stalin," by Boris Souvarine. Claimed by critics as the authoritative biography of Stalin and the best critical history of Bolshevism from Lenin to Stalin.

War and final examinations seem to hold no fear for psychology students of Georgia Southwestern College. In compiling a "fear list" recently, they listed the following as the things they feared most.

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JIMMY LYDON and
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"Two Thoroughbreds"

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Kazoo, 'Dales Defeated. Lose To Bearcats

During the last week and a half, Alma College Scots played three games, gaining victories over Kalamazoo and Hillsdale and dropping a close one to Central State, all on the home court.

This brings the season's total to 12 wins and five losses. In the MIAA the Scots now stack up in third place with six wins and two losses.

Central State 33; Alma 32
On Friday, February 2, the Scots dropped a heart-breaker to the Bearkittens of Central State, 33 to 32. Overcoming a half-time lead of 22 to 16, the Scots marched to a one-point lead late in the last period, but faded as CSTC put on the pressure to make seven consecutive points. The Scots then caged four, with Bud Howe carrying the mail, but fell one point short as the final signal sounded.

Captain Bud Howe with nine points led the Scots, followed by Warry Gallagher with eight and Warren Hartt with seven.

Alma 49; Kalamazoo 31
Holding a continuous lead after the first seconds of play, the Mac-men downed Kalamazoo's Hornets, 49 to 31, Monday evening, Feb-

TWO IN GOLDEN GLOVES MEET

By Jack L. Crittenden

With two Kalamazoo district championships won, two Alma college students, Bill Laird, Ann Arbor, and Bill Galinet, Three Rivers, will enter the State Golden Gloves tournament next Thursday and Friday at Grand Rapids Civic auditorium.

Under the direction of Coach Art Smith, four Alma students entered the Kalamazoo district meet of the annual Golden Gloves tourney. Because of the advantage of fighting under a team title with a chance at team honors, the Scot boxers threw their lot in with the Three Rivers team, Galinet's old bunch, and went on to take second place team honors behind Kalamazoo.

February 5, for the second win over the Barnard-men this season.

The Scots tallied 21 baskets out of 59 attempts, a great improvement over the preceding few games.

Danny Gallagher was high for the game with 12 points. His defense work was also outstanding. Chuck Kramer's, Kazoo forward, 10 points increased his scoring lead in the MIAA.

Alma 56; Hillsdale 37
Hillsdale started things with an early basket, but the Scots accepted the challenge and swamped the Dales 56 to 37, last Friday night.

It was the Mac-men all the way as nearly every man figured in the scoring and their defensive play forced the Dales to shoot from out-court the majority of the time.

Perhaps it was their superstitious change of numbers, knee pads, and socks, or perhaps they were out of their slump. At any rate, the Scots looked 100 per cent better than in previous recent games, and started the fireworks early to run up a half-time lead of 31 to 14.

Jim Hallock's left hand shots kept the game from being far worse as he tallied 16 points for scoring honors. Kirby returned to form to garner 12 to lead the Scots, followed by Hartt with 11 and Howe with 10.

IN THE MIAA

Albion	8	0	1.000
Hope	7	1	.875
ALMA	6	2	.750
Kalamazoo	3	5	.375
Hillsdale	3	6	.333
Adrian	1	7	.125
Olivet	0	7	.000

Tuesday's games — Kazoo at Adrian; Alma at Olivet; Hope at Hillsdale.

Friday—Albion at Alma.
Saturday—Olivet at Hope.

Out of the original four, two came through with district wins, for an excellent average of .500. Lee Smith lost out in the preliminary bouts and Wayne Henrickson was defeated by a technical knockout in the semi-finals last Tuesday night. Both boys are from Detroit.

Bill Galinet, bantam-weight boxer, who went high in the standings last year to lose in the state finals to a Port Huron boy, drew a bye until the finals in Kalamazoo, and then won out. Interesting feature of this is that the Port Huron youth, who has won the championship for the last two years, will be entered again at Grand Rapids and Bill may meet him again.

The other Scot winner, Bill Laird, fought and won two light-weight bouts last Tuesday night at Kalamazoo, taking both on decisions. His victories in the semi-finals and finals now give him the right to participate in the state eliminations.

On Thursday night two bouts will be fought in each class. If these boys survive they will move on to the semi-finals and finals on Friday night.

As an added honor, these two boys have been invited to the annual Tournament of Champions to be held Tuesday, February 27, in Kalamazoo. Winners in this tournament will receive a free trip to Chicago.

GOLDEN GLOVES TRIP

With two Alma college boxers entered in the state Golden Gloves tournament Thursday and Friday in Grand Rapids, Coach Art Smith would like to have a representation of Scot students to aid the boys from the cheering section.

For this purpose, it is contemplated taking a bus to the bouts on Thursday night, IF ENOUGH STUDENTS SHOW AN INTEREST.

Therefore, will all students interested in making such a trip and chipping in for traveling expenses, please contact Art Smith as soon as possible!!!

Clan Nears Season End; Team At Olivet To-night

With the season's end near, the Scots have three more games before the next issue of The Almanian, two of which will be the last home contests of the year.

Tonight the Scots will meet Olivet on the Comet's court in an MIAA game which is expected to be an easy win for the Mac-men. In the previous game here, the clan steamrolled the Comets, 69 to 31.

Topping the list of approaching games is that with Albion's league-leading Britons on the home court, Friday evening. In the previous game at Albion, the Britons nosed out the Highlanders 28 to 27, after the Scots had held a five-point lead at half-time.

This battle is expected to be the deciding point in the MIAA race. If Albion survives this game with a clean record, it seems almost certain that the Britons will cop the pennant. If, however, the Scots can win, there is a possibility of a two, and possibly a three-way tie.

The Scots should be favorites, being defeated before by only one point and having the advantage of playing on their home court. If the Mac-men are to win, however, they must put a stopper on Bill Feduniak and Chuck Vanderlinde, forward and center who led the way in the first game against the Scots.

Local fans, including both the college and town, are urged to come early for their seats as the game is the center of much interest and a large crowd is expected.

Because of the limited capacity of Memorial gymnasium, and the fact that Albion wants to bring a group of rooters to the game, seats will be at a premium, according to Coach Gordon A. Macdonald.

The last home game of the current season will be played against Michigan State Normal on Monday evening, February 19, with all odds in favor of a Scot win. Earlier at Ypsilanti, Alma crushed the Hurons, 69 to 40.

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Central "Kittens" Defeat Alma Frosh

By Marvin Koffman

Alma college's Scotties were defeated by the Central State Teachers college Bearkittens for the second time this year, 44-34, leading the Alma lads throughout the game.

Jack Howe, Alma forward, garnered 15 points in the second half of the game, but not enough to overcome a much taller Central State aggregation. Chet Smith, Central forward, gained 19 points for his team and was the high scorer for the game.

Jack Howe and Max Tullis started for Alma at the forward positions, Syl Fortino at center, and Bill Harsha and Gerry Lavender at the guard spots. Fortino was second high in scoring for the Scotties with 9 points.

The Scotties travel to Bay City Thursday evening to meet the Bay City Junior college squad. The Alma boys hope to revenge a loss that they suffered at the hands of the Jaycee boys earlier in the season.

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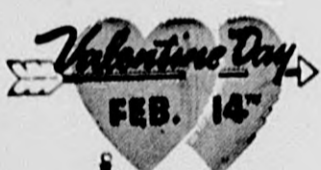
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Men Debaters Go to Manchester, Indiana

Alma's men debaters won three out of four in the 'A' division debates last Saturday at Michigan State College. An affirmative team of Bruce Mellinger and Woodrow Wooley won two, and Marvin Koffman, debating alone due to the illness of Charles LeClaire, won one.

Those who made the trip to State in addition to those named, included Stewart McFadden, Harold Draper, George Jennings, Wilbur McCrum, Paul Hurrell, Sam Napolitan, Gerald DuVendek, Charles Weiss, Elmer Baker, Jack Gilchrist, David Kinney, Bruce Lindley and Coach Carney Smith. Marvin Volpel acted as judge for various debates.

The team will go to Manchester College, Huntington, Indiana, in two weeks, for a tri-state meet.

College librarians have their troubles, too—and if you don't believe it, listen to this: A Glenville (W. Va.) State Teachers College librarian recently received a request for a book called "Forty Ways to Amuse a Dog." The person wanted "Forty Days of Musa Dagh."

Society News

New Pi Sigma Nu officers for the remainder of the year are: Margaret Elliot, succeeding Connie Hamilton, president; Elaine Doubles, vice-president; Louise Marshall, recording secretary; Jane Fraker, treasurer; Mildred Bradfish, corresponding secretary. The sorority's initiation will be Monday, February 19, with a formal dinner at Wright hall.

PHI PHI ALPHA FORMAL. Over 45 couples danced at the Phi Phi Alpha fraternity formal dinner-dance held last Saturday at the Midland Country club. The girls received vanity cases with the Phi crest for favors. Bill Carr, Alpena junior, was general chairman for the event.

ZETA SIGMA FORMAL. Zeta Sigma fraternity will present their annual formal dinner-dance at the Saginaw Bancroft hotel, March 16. John Tomes is general chairman. An orchestra from Flint, "Six Jacks and a Queen," will play.

DELTA GAMMA TAU FORMAL. It was decided at the last meeting of the Delta Gamma Tau fraternity to have their first formal dinner-dance. The date and committees have not as yet been selected.

Kappa Iota sorority initiated their new members with a formal dinner in Wright hall last Monday evening.

Alpha Theta sorority will initiate new members February 15.

STUDENT OPINION

(Continued from page 1.)

edge of their subject." "—should have announced tests." "—relieves heavy tension at end of year." "—won't let studies slide until end of semester."

"Psychology tells us the best way to learn and remember is to review constantly. This will be essential under the new system." "—new system is all right providing the faculty make arrangements so final periodic exams don't fall on the same day, or all in the last week of the semester. In this case, where some students have four or more classes a day, the new system would be far more obnoxious to the student than the regular final exams were." "—sounds swell, but give us more explanation."

"Final opinions, or later ones, will be more significant. I'd rather have 5 one hour tests in one day, than three finals in one day as I had last week." "—Spaced learning is better than unspaced."

Of the 24 who were against the change, many were marked "Capital NO!"

Of the reasons against, were "—exams through the year, if they are unannounced, are unfair, causing the lowering of all grades and a lot of unfavorable opposition from all students. I'd rather go back East to college if these tests are to be unannounced." "—system will work in some courses. One assimilates knowledge in a math course but in a biology course the facts and charts must be learned over and over." "—in favor of old system with frequent exams that do not overlap one another. Only real fault is the overlapping of exams and that one may have three to five exams on one day."

"—Too much work, merely encourages memory work than real studying . . . still have final exams . . . better if exams included only unit work . . . better if they excused students with 2. averages and go back to the old tests." "—new system will not permit me to use my 2.5 average to cut classes if I find it necessary, since I can never be sure that an unannounced exam will not be given." "—do not, emphatically." "—NUTS!"

The one lone immaterial answer stated in part "—has been no decided change . . . professors still have to give an exam at the end of the semester . . . one possible advantage, it may induce more students to study a little more during the semester."

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