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Committees Begin Campus Day Plans

Campus Merry-Go-Round

CAMPUS DAY . . .
The regular bi-weekly meeting of the Student Council was held last Tuesday afternoon. Social Chairman Jack Heimforth reported that plans for Campus Day are proceeding rapidly. He reported that an orchestra has been secured for \$77 to play for the dance in the evening. The council voted to allow this expense.

QUEEN OF SCOTS . . .

Suggestions were requested as to the method which should be used in selecting a Queen of Scots and her court to reign over Campus Day activities. Vice President Tinker Kirby is to be in charge of the election and anyone having suggestions should see him.

CAMPUS ELECTIONS . . .

President Mellinger pointed out that the Student Council constitution states that election of campus and class officers shall be held the last Thursday in May. This is impossible this year, of course. For that reason, Mellinger proposed a constitutional amendment as follows: "Election of all campus and class officers shall be held during the last two weeks in May, the exact date to be fixed each year by the Student Council." As a proposed amendment must be before the council for two weeks before it can be voted upon, no action could be taken at this meeting.

PUBLICATIONS OFFICERS . . .

A report from the Publications Committee, dealing with the election of publications officers, was read. In this report the Publications Committee asked that it be permitted to set up certain standards which editors and business managers of campus publications (Continued on page 3)

State French Group Elects Miss Foley

An exceptionally great honor came to Miss Margaret Foley, head of the Alma College French department, Friday, in Ann Arbor when she was elected State President of the American Association of Teachers of French. It is unusual because of the fact that she had not served previously in the capacity of vice president, but had, however, taken an active part on various committees.

This group hopes eventually to make Alma a "coin de France," or French cultural center, where French customs and French knowledge will be kept alive. Among temporary plans is one to have the state group meet here next spring, probably in February or March.

To meet the present wartime needs, a new emphasis will be placed upon the reading of chemistry and physics texts in French. In the future more will be done toward the preparing of teachers to handle French in the primary and elementary grades.

Miss Foley has been a member of the Alma faculty for 16 years in her position with the French department. She studied at the Sorbonne and Institute de Phonétique in Paris, at the University of Geneva, Geneva, Switzerland, at the University of Illinois where she received her master's degree and at Columbia University where she is studying for her doctor's degree.

Her emphasis on scholarship has shown itself in the progress of her students. Many have gone into graduate study and have received advanced degrees in French and six have gone on to study in France. Two have been holders of the Michigan Fellowship and have taken their master's degrees in French. Another student has been on the staff of the University of Chicago in the position of French professor.

C. C. Smith Heads State Speech Group

With his election to the presidency of the Michigan Association of Teachers of Speech at the Schoolmaster's meeting in Ann Arbor last Friday, Professor C. Carney Smith, director of forensics, climaxed seven years of speech leadership and added another feather to the cap of the rapidly growing speech department.

With a membership of about 400, this association has been active in preparing courses of study for teachers of speech and has gained national recognition for this work.

Professor Smith started his career at Northern High School in Flint and during his three years there had one debate team in the state semi-finals, one state championship team, and a third team well up in the elimination series.

In 1938 he came to Alma as head of the Speech Department. Since that time he has promoted this department so that one-third of the student body are now engaged in some form of speech work and he has made it possible for students to now obtain a major in speech at Alma College.

His debate teams have established an enviable record in competition throughout the Middle West, taking one of the first places at Madison, Wisconsin, last year and by capturing one of the six firsts at Manchester College in North Manchester, Indiana, this year. In the state extempore speaking contests his entrants have finished not lower than third in all competitions.

Mr. Smith has also been active in writing and publishing, having had several articles published in the Quarterly Journal of Speech and in the magazine of Tau Kappa Alpha, The Speaker. During this last year he has edited a complete course of study of the various phases of speech education which was published by the Michigan Association of Teachers of Speech.

Yesterday noon Professor Smith spoke at the Ithaca Rotary Club on the topic, "Your Place in the Victory Program." This evening in Saginaw at the Boy Scout banquet he will be the principal speaker with the subject "Purposeful Living."

College Involved In Tax Dispute

Alma College is contesting a claim of the City of Alma and the State of Michigan against the collection of taxes for faculty houses.

At the trial Thursday in Ithaca, over which Judge Ray Hart of the Isabella-Midland-Clare circuit presided, Dr. Rorem, Dr. Seaman, Mr. Ellis and Dr. Dunning were witnesses for the college.

The particular property owned by the college, forced sale of which is objected to, is one on which taxes for 1939 and the two subsequent years have not been paid. The college takes the position that the description is exempt from taxation because it is a part of an educational institution and because classes are held in it occasionally and it is used as offices for the teachers. Therefore, the property can not be legally assessed because of a statute granting tax exemption to corporations of this nature.

This case is of vital importance to all Michigan colleges for they are all effected in the same way by tax assessments, being in a similar situation.

Judge Hart promises a decision in the latter part of the week. Edward R. Goggin is the attorney for the college.

SPEECH PRESIDENT



C. CARNEY SMITH

Awards Are Given At WAA Banquet

April 23, Thursday, was chosen as the date for the Annual Spring Banquet of the W.A.A., with the discharging of W.A.A. business. All college women and faculty women came in formal dinner attire and were seated at a rectangular table formation. The motif of the banquet was carried out in the sports theme: red giant paper-mache apples, each already fettered by the arrow of a hypothetical William Tell, and place cards in the form of a tiny target created just the proper atmosphere. The menu produced was one of Vic's specials, with grilled tenderloin steak, new peas, and a dessert of strawberries, whipped cream and sponge cake. Immediately following the meal group singing was led by Mary Catherine Bell.

At the head table, Dorothy Walton presided in her capacity of this year's W.A.A. president. Guest speaker, Miss Cele Segerman, emphasized the need for co-operation and teamwork in the present day world in its various fields analogous to the need for pulling together in sports. Miss Segerman is on the faculty of the Central State College of Education.

Induction of next year's officers brought Lennie Meyer to the office of president, while the following are to compose her staff: Beulah Brace, vice president; Shirley Wenger, secretary-treasurer; Donna Jean Francis, awards; Marian Spalsbury, publicity; Shirley Wilson, group sports; and Geraldine Wadley, individual sports.

Frieda Volpel was the only senior girl to receive an award for four years of W.A.A. service. Letters for outstanding W.A.A. participation went to Virginia Feighner, Betty Pescenye, Lennie Meyer and Shirley Wilson, while Beverly Smith, Gerry Wadley and Shirley Wilson received freshman awards.

LARGE CHOIR TO TOUR MICHIGAN CITIES

Due to the present emergency and rationing on automobile and bus tires, the a capella choir is confining its spring tour to Michigan cities.

A four-day trip has been outlined, starting Sunday, May 10, and ending with the WWJ studio program on Wednesday evening, May 13. The choir will return that same night in order to have the members back for Campus Day, May 14.

The tour will be highlighted by concerts at important churches in some of the largest cities of the state. High school assemblies will be presented during the day.

Definite details of the tour will be found in an early issue of the Almanian.

ALL-COLLEGE HOLIDAY TO BE ENJOYED BY STUDENTS MAY 14th

Plans for Alma college's annual Campus Day festivities are already underway with co-chairmen Lee Clack, Ann Carter, Dorothy Walton, and Miss Jean Smith, head of the physical education department, directing and co-ordinating the day's activities.

A number of special events will feature this year's festival which will take place on May 14. As usual the coronation of the Queen of Scots will be the high-point of the day's program.

The annual softball classic for the Inter-fraternity trophy will start the day off at 10:00 in the morning followed by the mixed achery tournament which is an innovation this year. From then

until the final dance in the evening to the music of Arthur Beyer in Memorial Gymnasium the day will be packed with entertainment, athletic events, and fun. A campus sing on the Chapel steps after the informal dinner at six o'clock is something else new that is being added this year.

The freshman and sophomore classes will come in for their share of the fun, when in the late afternoon, the frosh-soph tug-of-war will be waged through the muddy waters of the Pine.

The campus election of the Queen of Scots will be in the very near future and will be under the direction of Tinker Kirby, Student Council vice president.

Committees for the celebration are as follows: publicity, Elizabeth Miller; coronation, Steve Brown, Jack King, Frieda Volpel, Rea Rae Smith, and Ruth Reed; picnic luncheon, Victor Manuzello; tug-of-war, Victor Fox; softball, Francis Cappaert; Queen's ball, Jack Heimforth; Highland Fling and Highland Shoddish, Maryhelen Connolly and Mary Anne Bowen; Maypole dance, Rea Rae Smith, Donna Jean Francis, Dona Peterson, and Virginia Feighner; daisy chain, freshmen; campus sing, Professor J. W. Ewer, Duke Sterling, Eileen Carrier, and Clifford Leestma.

Jack Crittenden Inducted Into U. S. Naval Reserve

Jack L. Crittenden, Kalamazoo senior, was inducted into the United States Naval Reserve, V7 classification, last Tuesday in Detroit and about July 6 will join the ranks of Uncle Sam's hundreds of young men who have not forgotten Pearl Harbor. He is one of three Alma students to pass the stiff physical examination for the V7 classification, the other two being Jerry Duvendeck and Don Mattison.

Crittenden is publicity manager for the college and has been active in the work of student enlistment. For four years he has been on the staff of the Almanian and for three years has been Sports Editor for this publication. He edited the Scotsman for two years. A charter member of Delta Gamma Tau fraternity, he is also the correspondent for the Associated Press and the United Press as well as Alma Record sports editor.

ART DEPARTMENT EXHIBITS TEXTILES

A very unusual and interesting exhibit of textiles was sponsored by the Art Department under the chairmanship of Miss Margaret Davis from April 9-15.

Twenty-eight panels from different countries were exhibited, showing the current trends in the textile field. One of the most unusual was a Russian block print on coarse black linen printed with beige dragons. A piece of crewel embroidery from India, and Balinese and Guatemalan designs highlighted the show. Three panels were designed by the late Tony Sarg. These dealt entirely with circus scenes.

Works of two foremost American textile designers were shown. "Hudson River," by Ruth Reeves was a silk screen print, and a linen panel by Donald Desky had an abstract design.

During the week, high school art classes and home economic groups visited the exhibitions.

COLLEGE PARTICIPATES IN CAREER DAY

About three hundred high school seniors from all parts of Gratiot county gathered at Alma High School last Tuesday at the annual county "Career Day." Problems of choosing a career and vocational problems of all sorts were discussed. Dr. John W. Dunning, president of Alma College, who was the principal speaker at the afternoon general session, delivered an inspirational address on "Youth Faces the Future."

The day was spent in a series of group conferences where experts in various fields advised students interested in choosing that field as a life work. The group conference on "Social Work" was under the direction of Randalyn Parsons and Bob McDonald, Alma College sociology majors. A panel discussion was held in the forenoon on "Vocational Problems Facing Youth Today and Tomorrow." Alma College was represented on this panel by Bruce Mellinger.

Truth is out . . . Choir member tells all!

by Helen Dehnke

Dear Mom:

Well—it was a wonderful trip—but one of the happiest moments of my life was when we were back in Michigan again late Sunday night. I guess you don't really appreciate the place—especially its good highways—until you've been away from it awhile.

We left Alma Saturday morning, April 11, at 7:00. It was a little surprising that no one was late or even forgot anything—but when we went out of the dorm to get into the bus, it was snowing and plenty cold. We were pretty disgusted—decided it might be a good idea to hurry up and get out before a real blizzard struck.

Everyone was wide-awake (more or less) and happy and yelling, but before we even got to Canada, we ran out of gas. A few of the huskier members of the choir—well, of course I meant all the fellows, pushed the bus up the

road about a half-mile to a small gas station.

When we got to Port Huron, we had the bus practically filled to the brim with gas and headed for the Blue Water Bridge. I suppose you can't really call a bridge "beautiful," but I think that this one is. It's about three-quarters of a mile long, curving way above the two towns below and across the water that is actually the color it's supposed to be. When we reached the customs office, several of the officers came out and started to shoot questions right and left. One of the men asked if anyone on the bus had letters or correspondence of any kind either received or to be mailed. One of the girls reached in her purse and took out a couple of letters. The officer took them, casually opened one, and began to read. It was hard to decide which of the two was the more embarrassing. (Continued on page 4.)

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Chapel Choir is Herald of Good Will Through Harmony

The scene is a huge church in Niagara Falls, New York. The auditorium is filled with people waiting rather dubiously to hear the music of a choir from a small college in central Michigan. The minister himself is also doubtful as to the capabilities of the group of young people, having arranged the concert merely through faith and more or less keeping his fingers crossed. The singers enter the choir loft clad in their maroon robes and white stoles, the director raises his arms, and wonderful melody fills the great church. The buzz of whispering dies away and the audience sits enthralled until the final note has ceased to echo from the rafters. The misgivings of the minister and the audience had vanished and they were under the spell of the youthful singers.

Thus it was for eight days—days of doubt for the sponsors, then amazement and pleasure at the excellence of the Chapel Choir. The small choir had far surpassed all expectations.

The Chapel Choir has been of vital importance in publicizing Alma College and due to the efforts of its director has built up a musical organization of which we may be proud. It compares very favorably with and even surpasses similar organizations throughout the country.

During this period of stress and strain the choir succeeded in building morale and bringing pleasure to its audiences and was a good-will group of harmony, indicative of the spirit of all colleges in this country.

Reports from music critics who considered themselves fortunate to hear them have verified the choir's slogan: "A fine musical organization, superb in its delicate shadings and quiet crescendos."

Alma Matter

To the commanding officer of the student division of the Alma College army: The following buck privates are hereby recommended for promotions because of outstanding performance and exceptional ability:

Buck Frieda Volpel, to the rank of second lieutenant, for being an all-round good soldier, with outstanding performance in the lines of scholarship, athletics, and student government.

Buck Albert Katzenmeyer, to the rank of captain, in order that he may support his newly-acquired dependent, and

Buck Kenneth Peterson (who is now out on field maneuvers) to the rank of first lieutenant, in order that he may look forward to doing the same, and

Buck Bruce Kane, to the rank of first lieutenant for similar reasons.

Buck Bill Hunter, to the rank of major, for having that personal magnetism that radiates over four hundred miles.

Buck Lennie Meyer, Buck Dorothy Walton, and Buck Donna Jean Francis to the rank of second lieutenants for their very nice performances at the WAA banquet.

Buck Lois Hawkins, to the rank of captain, in order to go along with the new jewelry.

Buck Snuffy Smith, to the rank of second lieutenant, for the activities in a certain sector of the choir chapel program.

Bucks Bob Severin and Carolyn Shinner to the ranks of first lieutenants, for their bravery under fire and their ability to stand up under attack (upon each other).

Buck Jack Heimforth, Buck Bob Howe, Buck Murray Hanna, and Buck Charles Kegal, demoted to the rank of kitchen police for getting those brush haircuts.

Bucks Lucille Brown and Bill Newton, to the rank of captains, for having discovered each other.

BOOK NOTES

Personalities—how interesting they are! The library through its display table invites you to become acquainted with some interesting people. They represent varied ages and interests. Why not share their full lives?

"Crusader in Crinoline" by Forrest Wilson is about "the little woman who made a great war." Besides the characterization of Harriet Beecher Stowe, the book reveals itself as an excellent interpretation of the Civil War period.

With our attentions recently directed toward the sea, what is more fitting than to read about one of the greatest seamen—Christopher Columbus. The author, Samuel Eliot, prepared for the writing of this book by following the routes of Columbus' voyages in small sailing vessels, comparable to those Columbus used. This will be ranked as the most readable and satisfactory life of Columbus.

"Life not death is the great adventure." That is the epitaph Sherwood Anderson chose. His "Memories" is a personal testament of this belief. This is a tale of the people and the country which made him the creative writer he was.

"The House I Knew" is the memory of Elizabeth Neilson's youth in a small Bavarian town in the 1890's. These peaceful recollections are a welcomed contrast to the world of today.

Graduates of military academies and similar schools are urged by the army to continue their studies until they have reached induction age under Selective Service. By attending special army schools such graduates may earn commissions as second lieutenants.

Coney Island Comes to Wright Hall . . . Complexions Change Overnight

The debut of spectators, cotton dresses, shorts and tennis racquets on Alma College campus leads to the assumption that the eternal cycle of the year has revolved to the summer session again. Involved discussions on "Whether your tan is darker than my tan" ratifies the supposition.

Coney Island has nothing on Alma in the nature of bathing beauties. Wright Hall's roof is a sun bather's paradise, and the girls take advantage of the fact. All that is lacking are the vendor with his cries of "Fresh hotdogs, buy them while they're hot" and "Ice cold pop, buy your ice cold pop," and a beach. Little things like that do not put a damper on the popularity of the roof.

"Say, how long have I been here?" is the most familiar query

heard thereabouts. Some say it in a tone implying disgust with the whole proposition, for no matter how long or how often they endure the broiling rays of the sun, nothing happens.

"Even a burn would be better than no results," wails lily-white Lois Fowler. Others of the extreme opposite nature make the statement in horrified amazement, for after but fifteen or twenty minutes of frying they're red as beets and sore as boils. Margaret Peshke or Betty Jameson can verify this as the gospel truth.

A few lucky souls request the time over and over again for they can't quite come to the realization that that beautiful tan of theirs was acquired in such a short period of basking. About a half hour set Letty Lou on the track toward a burnished brown.

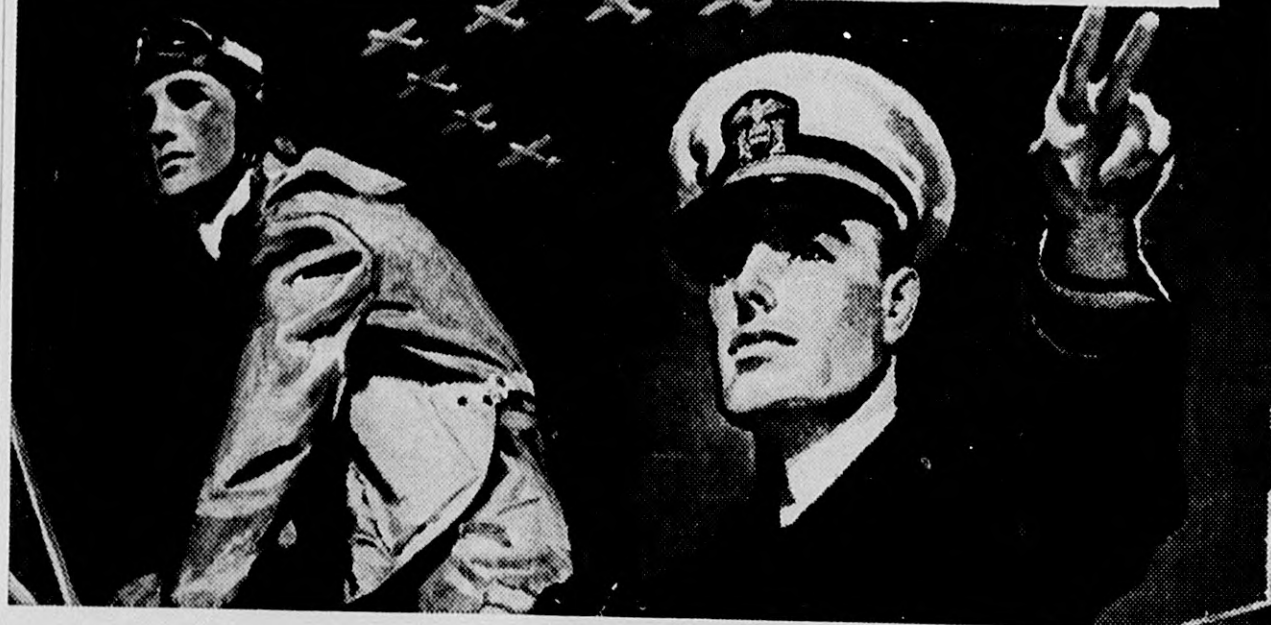
Gerry Wadly and Rhea Rae,

through faithful daily attendance on Wright Hall's "bathing beach," are obtaining that healthy sun-soaked look. The rest musn't lose faith for this is only April and Old Sol will be beating down for a good many months to come. Let this pacify and sustain you. Just think what those few, already resembling mulattoes are going to look like before the curtain's rung down on summer.

College students with architectural training are needed by the government in "Junior Architect" jobs paying \$2,000. Seniors may apply. No written test is given. The Civil Service blank to ask for is "Architect, \$2,000 to \$3,200 a year."

Since the report two weeks ago that 9,500 of Norway's 10,500 teachers had resigned in protest against Nazification of the Norse schools, 2,000 Norwegian schoolmasters have been arrested by the Nazis. Almost all Norwegian schools are closed.

DON'T QUIT COLLEGE if you are 17^{THRU} 19 and want to become a Naval Officer!



You can serve your country best by acting on this new Navy Plan now!

YOU WANT to fight for your country! Are you willing to work for it? To toughen yourself physically? To train yourself mentally for a real job in the United States Navy? If you are, the Navy wants you to enlist now. You don't have to quit college. You can stay in college, continue your studies to prepare for active duty in the air or on the sea.

And your college will help you do it! In cooperation with the Navy, it offers all freshmen and sophomores who are seventeen and not yet twenty, special training that may win for you the coveted Wings of Gold of a Naval Aviation Officer or a commission as a Deck or Engineering Officer.

How to Become an Officer

To get this special Navy training, you enlist now as an Apprentice Seaman. Then you may continue in college, but you will include special courses stressing physical development, mathematics and physics. After you successfully complete 1½ calendar years in college, you will be given a classification test.

Aviation Officers

If you qualify by this test, you

may volunteer to become a Naval Aviation Officer. In this case, you will be permitted to finish the second calendar year of college work before you start your training to become a Flying Officer.

However, at any time during this two-year period, you may have the option to take immediately the prescribed examination for Aviation Officer... and, if successful, be assigned for Aviation training. Students who fail in their college courses or who withdraw from college will also have the privilege of taking the Aviation examination. Applicants who fail to qualify in this test will be ordered to active duty as Apprentice Seaman.

Deck or Engineering Officers

Those who qualify in the classification test and do not volunteer

for Aviation will be selected for training to be Deck or Engineering Officers. In that case, you will continue your college program until you receive your bachelor's degree, provided you maintain the established university standards.

Those whose grades are not high enough to qualify them for Deck or Engineering Officer training will be permitted to finish their second calendar year of college. After this, they will be ordered to duty as Apprentice Seamen, but because of their college training, they will have a better chance for rapid advancement. At any time, if a student should fail in his college courses, he may be ordered to active duty as an Apprentice Seaman.

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Thinclads Meet CMC Tomorrow

Alma College's 1942 track squad will face its first test of the outdoor season when they meet Central Michigan's thinclads tomorrow afternoon at Mt. Pleasant in a dual meet.

Coach Gordon A. Macdonald has one of the largest squads in the history of Alma College. From this group he has high hopes of finding both the quantity and quality needed for a winning aggregation.

The Scots will be considerably stronger than in the past because of the increased numbers which will allow each man to function more efficiently in his specialties and which should give Alma many of the important second, third, and fourth places which often decide a meet.

Alma is rated strong in the field events against the Chippewas but will have difficulty in the running events, especially against the crack Central Michigan relay team.

Co - Rec

BEWARE, SOPHS!

Soph softball class, beware! The freshmen are challenging you to a game soon, so best you prepare for them.

TEA

There will be a tea for the new WAA Council next Wednesday at Bruske House.

ARCHERY FANS!

Start practicing for the Campus Day mixed archery tournament. Choose your own partners and inform Miss Smith.

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SPRING SCHEDULES

TRACK

April 29—Central Michigan there.
May 8—Triangular at Mt. Pleasant (Alma, Central Michigan, and Kalamazoo).
May 12—Central Michigan there.
May 15-16—State meet at East Lansing.
May 21-22—MIAA meet at Kalamazoo.

TENNIS

May 5—Central Michigan here.
May 12—Central Michigan there.
May 21-22—MIAA meet at Kalamazoo.

GOLF

May 5—Central Michigan here.
May 12—Central Michigan there.
May 21-22—MIAA meet at Kalamazoo.

Campus Merry-Go-Round

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must meet before their names can be placed on the ballot. The request was made that the Publications Committee be authorized by the Student Council to name at least two candidates who meet the qualifications to run for each publication office in the regular all-school elections. As action in this matter would also require a constitutional amendment, nothing could be done at this meeting.

DISCIPLINARY PROBLEMS

Student Marshall Vic Fox gave a report on disciplinary problems which have come to his attention. It was stated that a situation exists on the campus today which has passed the stage of a joke and has resulted in the willful destruction of property and general discomfort to a number of students. It was stated that the names of four students, three freshmen and a sophomore, who are ringleaders in this unsportsmanlike activity, are known to the council, and the question was raised as to whether or not these people should be required to appear before the council for judicial action. A committee of Victor Fox, Tinker Kirby, Dave Kinney, and President Mellinger was appointed to investigate the matter and recommend what action should be taken.

SENIOR ATHLETIC AWARDS

Discussion was held as to whether Senior athletic awards should be given to those who have participated in tennis and golf. It was brought out that these sports count

Sport Shorts

By CRIT

FULL SCHEDULE—A survey of the Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association officials and the statement of Judge Advocate DeGay Ernest of Grand Rapids shows that the league is continuing plans for a complete football schedule and championship race next fall.

The MIAA, thought to be the oldest athletic conference west of the Allegheny mountains, has had football championships decided for nearly four decades now, including two seasons of the first World War. Opinion shows that the league will continue at full steam as long as there are 11 players and transportation facilities.

Last year the conference let down the bars to permit freshmen to compete and this policy will likely continue next fall. There will be no additional purchase of equipment in most instances but a complete schedule will be run off in the league. The general opinion is that any necessary curtailments must be made outside of the league itself.

At present it is contemplated that all league members will continue the grid sport next season. This would include Alma, Adrian, Albion, Hillsdale, Hope, and Kalamazoo.

LOSES COACHES—The University of Grand Rapids has lost both of its football coaches, thus necessitating cancellation of the spring grid game scheduled with Central Michigan College for May 2. Last week Jerry Ford, former Michigan star, enlisted in the naval reserve. Previously, George (Potsy) Clark, formerly of the Detroit Lions, left for training. These two were in the reins last fall when Alma beat Grand Rapids there, 12 to 0.

just as much toward the All-Sports Trophy as do football, basketball, and track. As Senior awards are now made by the Athletic Committee, the council decided to recommend to this committee that it give attention to this matter, and to see if some method of recognition, at least for senior members of these squads, could be arranged.

PURDUE CONVENTION

It was voted that Dor Gillard, the Council's delegate at the recent Purdue student government meeting, be requested to write an account of the convention, and that said account be published in The Almanian.

CAPITAL TO CAMPUS

(Number 6)

JOBS . . .

Washington (ACP)—The pressure of war has prompted the Federal Civil Service Commission to offer its "Junior Professional Assistant" examination to college people for the second time this year. In previous years it has been offered only once—in January.

Also for the first time, it is open to every college senior or graduate, regardless of his major. Each applicant will take the same two-hour examination, designed to test his general knowledge and adaptability. Openings exist in Washington and in "the field."

The jobs will pay \$2,000 unless you indicate willingness to take less (\$1,440, \$1,620 or \$1,880). Especially sought are those interested in public administration, business analysis, economics, home economics, library science and mathematics.

Get blanks and details at the postoffice or Civil Service district office. Closing date for filing is April 27.

NYA and CCC

Student self-help under NYA may become a war casualty unless it can prove itself a war-time necessity.

When the President asks Congress soon for funds to operate NYA and CCC during the coming fiscal year, he will probably suggest that the war functions of the two agencies be merged, and that their peace-time functions be scrapped.

NYA Director Aubrey Williams, as well as several educators, has done a good job of defending NYA before members of the Senate Education committee. He told them that (a) most of the machine tools in NYA training shops were obtained BEFORE priorities went into effect, and (b) that A MONTH BEFORE the general newspaper attack against NYA started, the agency had begun inventory of its shops for machine tools that might be turned over to war industries.

Dr. Muhleman Speaks at Chemical Meeting

At the one hundred and third meeting of the American Chemical Society held at Memphis, Tennessee, April 20-23, Dr. George W. Muhleman, visiting professor of Chemistry at Alma College, read a paper before the Division of the History of Chemistry. Dr. Muhleman has been a member of the American Chemical Society since 1914. During that time he has appeared ten different times on the national program. His published researches have appeared in the different journals of the American Chemical Society, all of which are circulated in every foreign country where chemistry is taught and studied.

Dr. Muhleman's paper, "Life Begins at 70," was a study of longevity among the scientists who discovered the 92-95 elements which enter into the composition of the physical universe. His paper also gave attention to the question of what is open to scientific men of eminence after they have arrived at their hour of retirement. This latter question was also considered by the Council of the ACS at the Memphis meeting. It is interesting to note that Alma College may be classed as one of the first colleges to satisfactorily answer this question by creating for one

year the office of Visiting Professor.

Dr. Muhleman's paper was of vital interest not only to chemists but to men in all walks of life. It has been given wide publicity not only through the public press but also over broadcasting stations.

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Formals Are Fun. After You Get There . . . Says the Male of the Species

She said I had to leave at 2:30 because she had to dress for the formal, so I went over to the house. Later, I went uptown, came back, played baseball and left for the Hall to dress at 4:00. After a pleasant shave and shower I started slowly to dress making sure not to touch my collar and spot it.

Then I forced my studs through the starched-in holes in the shirt. The shirt is like the proverbial ramrod only it is in front. Good old boiled shirt! The main trouble is climbing into it backwards and feeling around for the buttons up the back. Bending the cuffs around your wrist is like wrapping a tough book cover around a pipe, but to top it off there are cuff links to force on. By this time all the freshness

of the shower is gone and you wipe perspiration off with an already damp handkerchief. The choice between a turn-down and wing-tip collar is a hard one, but since Bud is having trouble with his, I'll wear the wing-tip. Then comes the tie, not one with an elastic band, but one two feet ten inches long, and three fourths of an inch wide. The trick of the puzzle is to wind it around the neck and fashion a bow in front so as to make it fairly representative of the snap type. This is not as easy job! After the first try, it looks like a dog collar with the bow sliding from ear to ear. Finally after using a double loop, it is tight enough.

The pants, after hanging on the wire hanger, have taken on an indelible horizontal crease at the knees. The coat, hanging next to a flannel shirt, seems to have attracted all the lint and fuzz. After they are brushed and on, the tie is crooked again. Well, it is 5:15. An hour and a quarter, not bad.

Now I can dash stiffly and sedately to Wright Hall. It is hard to cross the street as the head will only turn at about a 30 degree angle. That is, the Adam's apple can only swing from collar tip to collar tip—about three inches.

After having rung the buzzer, you sink with a sigh into one of the chairs only to have the breast plate buckle and shove the collar up to your ears. Of course it takes ten to fifteen minutes for her to come down. It is kind of hard to figure out, for she has had an extra hour and a half. Then to top it off she comes, cool and fresh, rustling the new formal proudly. No wonder she can be so cool and fresh after having taken three hours just to slip into a dress!

Iowa State college enrollment for the winter quarter is announced at 5,904 by J. R. Sage, registrar.

TRUTH IS OUT

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rassed. As the man began to glance through the letter, a slow grin broke across his face, then he coughed a little, blushed, and finally folded the letter and tossed it back to her. We left there in a hurry!

There was one big thing that all of us noticed through Canada—that is, outside of the snowstorms and rainstorms—they are so terribly war-conscious. In even the smallest, sleepest towns there were big posters advertising the sale of Victory bonds, and urging civilian support of the "boys." When we finally reached Niagara Falls, we were so tired that everyone just went home, said "hello," and "good-night" to his host and hostess and fell into bed.

Sunday morning before the concert to be given during the church service we were talking with the minister. He seemed a little worried and doubtful about the whole thing, and began telling us about some of the other college choirs that had been there and how awful they had been, and that the audience would be very large and fairly critical and he wished us luck. We lined up—Liz whispered "Sur la balle, kids!"—and we walked out and gave one of the best concerts of the whole tour. When I saw the minister after the service, he looked ten years younger, and much happier. Everyone in the congregation had seemed thrilled with the music, and we were pretty proud about the whole thing.

We left Niagara about four that afternoon and arrived in Batavia, where "we took shelter" for the night in the hotel there. We seemed to be running into the poor reputation of those other choirs again—the management almost refused to take us because "the last college choir he had let stay there had just about torn the place down." He was the same man who remarked the next morning—"My, what a well-behaved, nice-looking bunch of boys and girls!"

Our concerts for the next couple of days went very well, and Tuesday afternoon we were in Auburn. Some nice things happened there—we met "Mr. and Mrs. Matty" (they entertained us royally) and the lady that Guider called "Mrs. Fireball," and before the evening was over we saw a number of familiar faces, among them Jean Wilson, Jean Ramsey, Bob Fulton, and Ed Arnold.

We sang our way successfully out of Auburn, through Syracuse, and Thursday morning at Oneida. That was the only concert scheduled until 8:00 that evening, so that when the bus rounded a bend in the road and we discovered a gorgeous waterfall with a small park around it, the only logical thing to do was to declare a picnic! Hot dogs, potato chips, oranges—beautiful scenery—even Prof. was inspired to climb a few of the cliffs. When we arrived in Endicott about five that afternoon, we looked the part of the "Wild Westerners" that most of the people in New York state seemed to think we were. I was surprised that our hostess didn't slam the door and faint when she saw us.

I remembered Endicott as the city in which there was so very much of the renowned eastern reserve—usually associated a little more with the New England states. It is a very musical town, and we met one of the most difficult audiences to which we've ever had to sing. We felt actually triumphant when we finally broke through the shell, and began to feel that they were enjoying the program.

I don't think anyone in the choir remembers much of what happened Friday. We sang our first concert of the day at 8:40 in the morning, one at 10:00, ate our lunch, sang at one, drove over hill, mountain and curving roads for fifty-five miles, and sang in another high school at three-fifteen. I should say—we were supposed to sing at 3:15. We lined up on the stage behind the curtain, and then stood there for fifteen minutes while five or six school announcements were given.

Apparently they didn't expect much from us, but after we sang, the superintendent apologized for not giving us more time, and seemed to be sincere in hoping that "we'd stop in if we were ever out that way again!" Besides all this rushing around and singing and eat-

ing there were a lot of other things that I haven't time to describe, but just have to mention. There was Duke singing "Shadrack"—he leaned against the piano, and held the audience in the palm of his hand. Snuffy kept the kids "rolling in the aisles." Lois Fowler enthralled them with the beautiful solo work she did.

Sunday morning in Kenmore, near Buffalo, was our last concert. There was a huge audience, 900 people, but they were attentive and appreciative. Liz and I, who were staying together, had one of our most interesting experiences of the whole trip that night. We stayed in the home of a man whose work was with the immigration bureau in Buffalo, and he and his wife had spent two years in Norway where he was with the American Consulate. They were fascinating to talk to and sincerely hospitable. When we were ready to leave Buffalo and cross back into Canada, they went with us to the bridge, spoke to the customs officers there, and we crossed without having to answer any questions, or to have Ruth's letters read again.

Cliff (the choir manager) had made special arrangements for getting the gas in Canada on Sunday. We stopped in London and ate, and by that time everyone was at that tired, silly stage that can be so interesting. Before we reached Alma that night Ann fell on the floor of the bus, when it stopped rather suddenly—and said a very strong word! Then, at the customs in Port Huron, when one of the men asked Rama if she had anything to declare, she remarked coolly—"Nope—I'm bare!" The last thing I can remember before I went to sleep was some poor, lost soul crying, "Ra-a-a ma! Oh, Ra-a-a-ama!"

I can hardly wait to see you and tell you more about these wonderful choir trips (being, as I am prejudiced to them!)

Love,
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