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## ALMA COLLEGE HOMECOMING QUEEN AND COURT



JEAN HUMPHRIES



DOROTHY OLIVER



KATHRYN ANN FISHER



MARGARET PESHKE



JO-ANNE HARDY

Miss Jean Humphries, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Humphries of Pontiac, petite brunet freshman of Alma College, reigned over the homecoming festivities at the College Friday and Saturday, October 16 and 17. Miss Humphries had as her court the following freshman co-eds: Kathryn Ann Fisher and Margaret Peshke, both of Detroit; Jo-Anne Hardy of Traverse City, and Dorothy Oliver of Cadillac.

## FEIGNER HEADS DRAMA CLUB

The Alma College Drama club held its first meeting of the year, October 14th. Virginia Feighner was elected president and Beth Aron was elected secretary. Professor Rowland is the faculty head.

A committee composed of Shirley Wenger, Dorothy Strauss, and Patricia Williams has been appointed to look over a group of plays.

Meetings will be held every second and fourth Tuesday of the month in the speech room. All who are interested will be welcome at these meetings.

## Interesting Freshmen

Lydia E. Silvani from Detroit, Michigan, hails from Pershing high school. While in high school, she was president of her senior class, president of her service club and played on the women's varsity basketball and tennis teams. The school paper and the yearbook also benefited by her presence on the staff. She is a sociology major.

Alma is her idea of a real college town. Swimming and dancing are her real delights. Harry James is her favorite band with "Night and Day" her favorite piece. She prefers light classics when she gets away from popular (Continued on page 4)

## Kegel, Corbin and Freshmen

On the night of October 12, there lay over the city of Alma an expectant hush. There was an air of tension in the atmosphere. Then, from the direction of Alma College, came the ever increasing roar of manifold voices. Like the sound of thunder, this herd of manlike bodies rolled down on the poor defenseless city. Alas, it was true, it was the freshman pajama parade.

Coming from a pre-warming tea, the freshman headed for that greatest of show places, The Strand Theater. Every store and alley felt the strain of these decrepit souls crying alms! alms! alms! Led by their Master, Jack Heimforth, they finally arrived at their final resting place at exactly 9 o'clock. Shortly after they presented the poorest excuse for Shakespearean drama ever to hit this city.

The program began with Corbin and Kegel, the song and dance team, giving out with, "I Want A Big Fat Mama." This proved to be very refreshing. Next on the program were those two famous wrestlers, Kegel and Corbin, who engaged in what appeared to be a (Continued on Page 3)

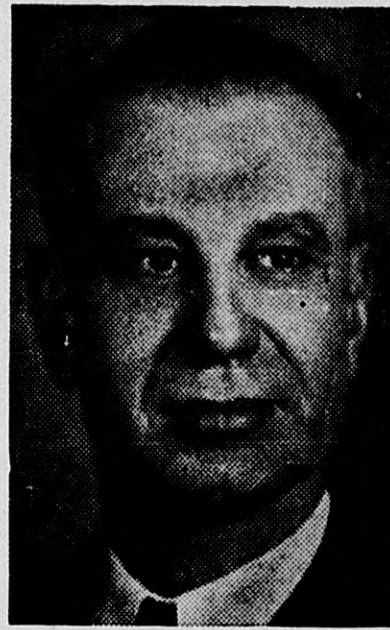
## Diamond, Uniforms, and Alumni Furnish Surprises at Homecoming

With a sigh of relief mixed with tears of regret, we've watched another happy homecoming come and go. Watching old faces return and new ones appear, we realize again what a wonderful thing this homecoming idea is. This one was especially outstanding as it marked the first showing of Letty Lou's diamond, which caused a minor riot in the dorm.

Uniforms were numerous enough to give the campus a brisk businesslike air with Scotty Purvis, Rob Jackson, Ernie Gillard, Bill Prescott, Warren Hart, and George Orlock marching proudly about in military manner.

Among the other alumni and ex-students who couldn't stay away, we noticed Louie Friedrich, Mary Tomes, Freida Volpel, Marion Hass, Cliff Leestma, Stoop and Lois, Jeanne Keene, Dorothy Champ, and Bud Wilson. Our vote for the "homecoming smile" goes

## Professor Ewer Resigns After 19 Years Service



PROF. JESS W. EWER

## Takes New Position At Mac Murray College

After nineteen years at Alma college, Professor Jess W. Ewer, of the music department, leaves tomorrow. He has accepted a position as enlistment agent for MacMurray college, Jacksonville, Ill. His enlistment field will be the state of Indiana, with headquarters in Indianapolis.

"Prof", as his students call him, organized the band and choir here. The band has grown from the original fourteen pieces in 1923 to the present organization of thirty. Eleven years ago, the women's and men's glee clubs were merged to form the A Capella choir, which, under Mr. Ewer's direction, has become famous throughout the midwest.

"It is hard to tear away from Alma," confessed Mr. Ewer. "I want to express my hopes and best wishes for the college."

"The Administrative council announces Professor Ewer's resignation with great regret," stated Professor Roy Hamilton, chairman. "We wish him a prosperous term of service in his new position."

Mrs. Ewer, who teaches in the Alma high school, will stay here for the remainder of the school year, after which she will join her husband.

## Homecoming Hugh Success For All

Alma's 51st homecoming is now but a wonderful memory. The campus was crowded with alumni and friends returned for the week-end activities.

The bon-fire Friday night was first on the program with speakers Coach Macdonald and Professor Mitchell. The seniors of the first eleven, Jack Tait, Frank Navarre, and Jim Hicks, were called upon for a few words. Homecoming Queen Jean Humphries, accompanied by her court, which included Margaret Peshke, Kathryn Fisher, Jo-Anne Hardy and Dorothy Oliver, was introduced. The entire group then sang the Alma Mater and thus the festivities of the evening were completed.

On Saturday everyone was up bright and early to put the finishing touches on his float for the parade. At 10:30 when the line of floats began to wend its way towards town a number of "Oh's" and "Ah's" were heard coming from the multitude of onlookers. Alpha Theta sorority was awarded first prize for its float. The Kappa Iotas were awarded second prize for their entry and the Philomatheans were awarded third prize.

At noon Wright hall welcomed everybody to luncheon and Professor Hamilton gave a short talk welcoming the alumni and friends to the Alma homecoming.

Later in the afternoon everybody was on hand to cheer Alma on to a victory of 28-0 over Kalamazoo. During the halves (Continued on page 3)

## TAKES HONORS



LEE CLACK

Great Lakes, Ill., Oct. 2—Completing a six-weeks course of basic training with an average grade of 98.2 per cent, Hugh Llywelyn Clack, 21, of 209 W. Downie St., Alma, Mich., was graduated today as an honor man of the Hospital Corps School at the U.S. Naval Hospital here. He topped a class of 357 men.

Hugh Llywelyn Clack, class of '42, son of Professor and Mrs. R. W. Clack of Alma, is now a petty officer with the rating of pharmacist's mate, third class.

Graduation from the Hospital Corps School terminates a course of instruction which includes the study of anatomy and physiology, hygiene and sanitation, materia-medica and weights and measures, first aid and bandaging, nursing, transportation of casualties and dietetics.

The honor man, who was employed as an analytical chemist for the Dow Chemical Company, Midland, Mich., prior to his enlistment, is a graduate of Alma College, Alma, Mich. He holds a bachelor of science degree in chemistry. He won letters as a member of the school's football and track teams, was president of the freshman class, secretary of the Delta Gamma Tau fraternity in 1940, and was a member of Phi Sigma Pi honorary society.

## Jean Valtin to Speak Thursday

Jan Valtin, famed author of "Out of the Night," will speak at the chapel services, Thursday. Mr. Valtin, whose book tells of his experiences in Nazi Germany, will speak at the various clubs in the district.

The Student Council will sponsor the chapel service tomorrow instead of Thursday.

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## "PROF" . . .

Sometimes words cannot express a feeling that is so deeply buried in the heart that it causes sadness to even think of it. How much harder, then, to express that emotion felt by a whole college, especially when it concerns someone so dear to all of us. We are losing our "Prof", our "Uncle Doc." Professor Ewer, head of the music department, is leaving Alma College and the heart of the whole college is heavy. He has been our pal, our confidant, and our friend; it has been he who has given us faith in ourselves and we have had courage simply because he believed in us.

And yet, we have no right to feel sad. It has been our good fortune to have known him—it is for the countless students who will not have the privilege of being associated with him that we should be saddened. They will never know the satisfaction of a heart-to-heart talk with "Prof"; they will never know the pleasure of a choir or a band trip nor know what it means to admire and love him.

We have had all these things to enrich our lives and it is up to us who remain not to let him down but to carry on from here. Through nineteen years of tireless effort he has built up a music department of which any college could be proud and, as a result, has been one of the main factors in putting Alma College on the map. And following the example which he has set, we are going to keep it that way!

We are suffering a great loss through his leaving but his place in our hearts will never be lost. He may not be present to direct us in person but the music of his personality will direct us the rest of our lives.  
—K. Elizabeth Miller.

## Former Almanian Dies in Saginaw

Frank B. Hempy, Jr., 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank B. Hempy, of 715 Court, died Monday at the home of his parents after an illness of six months. He was born Dec. 13, 1921, in Green Springs, Ohio, and had resided in Saginaw for the past 12 years, graduating in 1939 from Saginaw high school. He attended Bay City Junior college for two years and studied one year at Alma college leaving school because of illness. He was a devoted member of the Phi Phi Alpha fraternity at Alma.

## FRESHMEN IMPRESSIONS

Homecoming is a wonderful thing. We never thought that we could have such a good time, with such nice people, nice weather, and—just everything nice. Bonfires, we found, inspire us to yell for the team, and kind of place in us a deep-rooted love for the school that is to be our Alma Mater.

One thing that didn't give us much of a thrill, (more of a let-down, I would say,) was the flat tire on the Queen's float. But our queen took it all with a smile, and was just as beautiful as ever. In fact, we thought she was even prettier on Saturday.

And that game—that was really something to rave about. Most of us gals don't know much about football, but I guess we know enough to tell a really swell team when we see one. And we have seen one, right here on the campus.

I could go on for hours about homecoming and all the good things it brings, but time and space are limited, so all I will say is that right now, everyone of us are starting to look forward to next year's homecoming.

### FOR THOSE WHO WANT TO KNOW . . .

Secretary of the Navy Knox made the statement this week that Americans face a stiff fight in the Solomons, but he expects eventual victory.

This is probably another speculation of the Axis, but from Bern, Switzerland comes the announcement that the Axis expects another front to be created against them in Africa.

The Senate draft committee approved this week the drafting of all youths between the ages of 18-20. The passing of a bill to this effect is imminent.

## Brothers and Sisters . . .

### ZETA SIGMA

Zeta Sigma's Homecoming was a decided success this year. Many of the old members were back and enjoyed themselves thoroughly.

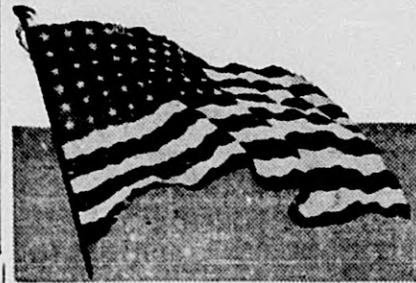
The banquet was the high spot in the program of the week-end; beginning with a perfect meal and ending with one of those interesting talks by Professor Mitchell.

A great deal of credit is to be given to Don Humphries, Saint Ingham, and Neal McNeal who made the clock for a lawn decoration

### DELTA GAMMA TAU

The Deltas homecoming was a huge success under the direction of Jerry Duvendeck, James Towne, Jack Howe, Wayne Dorsett, Sil Fortino, and Dave Kinney.

Many old members were back for the celebration; this was the first year that the frat has had a group of alumni. Plans have been laid for the Delt



### ALMA BOYS IN SERVICE

Editor's Note: It is the plan of The Almanian to continue publishing all available addresses of former Alma men now in the service. Again we ask our readers to place any of these addresses which they may possess in the box placed for that purpose in the administration building.

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open house next week-end. Bob Ruehl is general chairman for the affair.

The Delt service flag is one of the new additions to the fraternity house.

### KAPPA IOTA

The Kappa Iota homecoming banquet at the Masonic Temple had as its theme the 21st Victory birthday of the sorority. Silena Luchini was mistress of ceremonies, Lois Goldie was speaker, and Lois Fowler was soloist.

Mary Jean Coley, junior, is a new KI pledge.

### PI SIGMA NU

Mrs. Reid Brazell and Mrs. C. P. Milham were in charge of the Pi Sigma Nu homecoming banquet, given at Mrs. Brazell's home. Members of the sorority and Miss Florence Steward, Miss Sylvia Ericson and Miss Charlotte Klein, patronesses, attended the formal dinner.

## Knowsey Knews

Three cheers to all Almanianites for making Homecoming "a good case of the breaks." (Campus vocabulary is getting us down.) Super cheers to Miss Ericson, the new art teacher, who so leniently distributed her ability for the occasion, to Queenie and her court. (takes more than a "flat" to stop these sharpies); and to all you former Almanianites, who were one step ahead of gas rationing.

Cheers don't stop here—one more for the chap who led the first Alma cheer, four years ago "down on his knees" Brownie, who bestowed membership upon Lettie Lou to the society of "Third Finger Left Hand."

Gosh, were we proud of our men in service from the land, the sea, and the air. Our only girl Kiltie turned from a little lemon to a smilin' peach when the marines landed. Betty Fischer made her usual three-point landing with ye ol' Scotsman from Rochester. Kay Wilkie sure could hug Uncle Sam for granting leaves ! ! !

Call us sentimentalists if you like—but it sure was swell to see the gathering of top combinations: Morley and McCulloch, Bud and Betty, the two Bruces and their women, Pete or Matty and Liz, Dave and Jean, Stoop and Goldie, and the hundred more . . . who have kept and are still keeping the pulse of Alma beating.

Chocolate sodas to our heroes—the "gridiron girders." They sure did carry off the corpse of Kazoo! It was plainly seen the broken limbs and spare (?) ribs couldn't drown the spirits of Butler and Dyer.

Our crop of campus women were swept off their feet by the heart-warming voice of Mat Ingam. What a man, what a voice ! ! !—gads, what music ! ! ! 'Twas luscious.

Freshmen topped the day with their everlasting vigor, vim, and vitality. What certain c-o proved to be a twirling dervish! Oh, yes,—we spied Doris and Wally Mattison and Helen and Bill Crimmins again . . . A neat step, too, was danced by a neat pair. Marge Wunderlich and Don Eaton.

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# Scots Whip Kazoo Hornets 28-0

## Deception is Factor in Defeat of Fast Kazoo Team

Playing before the largest crowd of the season, Alma's grid-men marched to their fourth consecutive victory this season by downing Kalamazoo college 28 to 0 in the Scots' annual homecoming game.

Kalamazoo opened up by kicking off to Alma's 40 where Walters took it and returned to the 46. After finding no success in three downs, Pink kicked into the end zone and the Hornets took the ball over on their own 20. Alma's line held and forced Kalamazoo to punt to Wares on Alma's 40. Tait started around end but flipped a lateral to Wares who faded back and threw one 30 yards down the field to Hanna on the 15. Then Walters took over and in four tries cracked Kalamazoo's line for the score. Pink's kick was good and Alma pulled into the lead, 7-0.

Pink kicked off to Reed who took it on the 15 and returned to the 40 before he was stopped. Alma's forward wall again stopped the Hornets' offense cold and forced them to kick to Wares who was downed on his own 10. Wares then hit the tackles for 24 yards in two tries. Pink added three yards and then Wares heaved a beautiful flat pass to Pink that made 20 more. Tait, who found himself trapped, lateraled to Wares who picked up two yards before he was downed. Tait then gave the ball to Wares and while Wares faded back to the 50, Tait skirted end and took Wares' pass on the 20 where he shook off three would-be tacklers and raced down the sideline to pay dirt. Again Pink came through with the conversion.

Pink kicked off to Hogan on the

24 where he returned it to the 47 before Navarre brought him down. Reed then went 27 yards but Alma's line tightened and, led by Hanna, they forced Kalamazoo to kick out on Alma's 19. Then Tait, on a double faked spinner, romped to the 42. Emling then went 15 yards only to have it called back on a 15 yard penalty for holding. Pink then punted to Hornets' 24. Then, on the next play, Hicks, rugged Alma guard, broke through a spread formation to intercept a pass on the 27. Emling made 19 yards only to have it called back on another 15 yard penalty for holding. After Alma's passing attack failed, Kalamazoo took the ball over on the 10. With Hicks charging fast the Hornets were forced to Alma's 46. On the first play the Scots were again penalized 15 yards, this time for clipping. Pink then got off a booming punt from his own 20 to Kalamazoo's 2. The Hornets then punted to Emling who returned it to the 30. Pink went for 11 yards and then Emling cracked over center for 18 yards to score standing up. Pink's toe again added the point.

Pink kicked off to Gunkler on the five and the ball was run up to the 31. Emling then intercepted a Hornet pass on the 40 and romped to the 21. Pink carried the ball to the one-yard line but was stopped and Kalamazoo kicked out of danger as the half ended.

### Second Half

Niffenegger kicked off to Pink on the 39 to open the second half. Wares went 10 then Tait chucked one to Wares but Alma was penalized for downfield blocking by the linemen. Pink then punted to the Kazoo 30 yard line and, when Alma held, Hogan kicked to Pink on the 35. Wares made 18 yards in two tries and Walters picked up two but was hurt on the play. Tait was trapped on a fourth down for an 8-yard loss and Kalamazoo took over the ball. Again Hicks was in fast and the Hornets kicked to Pink on the 49. Tait, Wares, and Butler then combined for 16 yards. Then Wares, on a spinner from Tait, reversed his field and smashed 33 yards for the score. Pink then kicked his eighth consecutive conversion.

ALMA	KALAMAZOO
Hanna . . . . . LE	Thole . . . . . Mulder
Swanson . . . . . LT	Hicks . . . . . Barley
Hicks . . . . . LG	Navarre . . . . . Bowman
Navarre . . . . . C	Hart . . . . . Trump
Hart . . . . . RG	Edgerton . . . . . Vander Kley
Edgerton . . . . . RT	Kohler . . . . . Jakeway
Kohler . . . . . RE	Tait . . . . . Hogan
Tait . . . . . Q	Wares . . . . . Reed
Wares . . . . . LH	Pink . . . . . Niffenegger
Pink . . . . . RH	Walters . . . . . Gunkler
Walters . . . . . F	

Substitutions: Emling, Butler, Budge, Kezel, Corbin, Goodrich, Ruehl, Dyer, Dittmar, Rodgers, Dahl.

Officials: Nesbit, referee; Kelly, umpire; Barberi; head linesman.

## SCOT SCRIBBLINGS

By Dorselt

Again Saturday the Scots' attack began to click. The Alma team caught the high spirit that prevailed during the Homecoming and went out and gave a good Kalamazoo team a decisive beating. The team seemed to recover from the slump they had been in at Grand Rapids. The blocking and tackling was improved but there is still room for more work and improvement. Although the score was 28-0 it could have been much higher if the boys had been on their toes at all times. It seemed to the sidelines that the Kazoo team's heart was broken when Hanna caught Wares' beautiful pass and set up the first touchdown, which was made by Walters. At this point the spirit of the Kazoo team dropped and Alma put over one of her swift touchdowns and practically had the game cinched.

Although the game was a good one to win, it was costly in injuries. The major injury was suffered by Bruce Butler who received a broken arm. This will bring Coach Macdonald the problem of finding a satisfactory substitute for Darb Tait at quarterback. Tait too was injured during the game and had to have three stitches taken in his upper lip, but Darb will be in there again next week. Dyer, a freshman, had a rib broken on the last play and this will bother him for a while. Some of the other players received more minor injuries but they won't miss any of the coming games.

### HOMECOMING

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band marched onto the field and formed the letters spelling out Scots followed by the formation of the letter A. At this time the coronation of the homecoming queen took place.

Immediately following the game everyone went back to Wright hall where coffee and doughnuts were being served.

At 6:30 the various sororities and fraternities gave their individual dinners which were followed by the all-college dance in Memorial gymnasium. The floor was crowded with couples dancing to the music of Bud Benford's orchestra. The first, second, and third prizes for the floats went to Alpha Theta, Kappa Iota, and Philomathean sororities, respectively. Delta Gamma Tau fraternity won the first prize for lawn decorations and Zeta Sigma the second place award in that class.

### PAJAMA PARADE

(Continued from page 1.)

romantic love scene. Then Sir Thomas Gerls, the great magician? came on to the stage in his most elegant fashion.

With his first egg act there began an amazing series of events all having to do with eggs. Mr. Frank Navarre, director of that well known physical rehabilitation project, was then called to the stage to be initiated into the mysteries of magic by those two very well informed, (your guess is as good as mine) Corbin and Kegel.

The show finally came to an end after the crowd could no longer stand more, Corbin and Kegel having already sold all their famous collection of antique books. The atmosphere was scented with the sweet aroma of new mown hay. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS—Master Tom Gerls thanks Bill Bennet for his lipstick and the gentleman who so kindly donated his straw hat.

### From the Records

Hope 13, Hillsdale 0 . . . another team to watch. Hope is improving each week.

Speed isn't lacking in MIAA football . . . track champs Niffenegger for Kazoo 220-yard dash champ; Stevens of Albion, one of the fastest in the league; Reed, also of Kalamazoo, a fast man and is champion broadjumper; Emling of Alma, speed merchant in 440 and 880. Combine their speed with fight and determination . . . these boys are hard to stop.

Alma has won more football championships than any of the other MIAA schools . . . Alma has 10 while Albion is next with eight. Albion won the first official MIAA football championship in 1904.

That's all for this time . . . to Grand Rapids U. we say . . . Next!

#### MIAA STANDINGS

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ALBION . . . . .	1	0	1.000
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Encouragement of co-eds to enroll in mathematics is an aspect of the war effort at the University of California.

### GEM THEATRE

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Thurs., Oct. 22

JOHN HOWARD, LUCILLE  
FAIRBANKS, and PAUL  
GUILFOYLE in  
The Man Who Returned  
to Life

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GENE AUTRY in  
Home in Wyoming  
Perils of Royal Mounted No. 7  
Comedy — News

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The Homecoming parade this year was one of the most colorful and well planned to be held in a good many years.

In order of march there was the band, looking very grand and giving out with some very fine music, lead by that high-stepping drum major, Jack Tobin. The Alpha Theta float came next with Hitler, Mussolini, and Hirohito following in close order at the end of a rope. Delta Gamma Tau carried out a very striking idea with soldiers destroying the Axis and Kalamazoo hanging close by. The Philomathean float expressed the ever important point of united we stand. Over the float were stationed many lovely ladies dressed in the fashion of our neighboring countries. The Zeta Sigma float expressed that very popular song about The Girl From Kalamazoo, but with a twist. Ollie Elliott in his interpretation of the girl escaped

unscathed. The Kappa Iota float represented the united factors for which we now fight. It was noticeably present because of the bevy of beautiful women on the float. The freshman float? Well it Could Happen to Anybody. The Phi Phi Alpha float expressed the very grave situation that Kalamazoo found here in a very novel way, carrying both the grave and the corpse of Kalamazoo with them.

For a very exciting few minutes the Queen was held up by a flat tire, but she was rescued along with her court by a very obliging gentleman. Lucky stiff.

Judges for the house decorations were Mr. Rex Babcock, Mr. Clay North and Dr. E. R. Remsburg.

Miss Maurine Stovall, Mrs. William McFadden, and Rev. William T. Roberts chose the winning float. At the time that they made their decisions known both groups of judges stated that they had encountered great difficulty in picking the winners from the several fine entries in each division. The float judges expressed their opinion that the parade was the best in several years.

## ON THE THUMBNAIL

There is on this campus a very good friend of all that no one seems to know very much about, so your writer thought that maybe you would like to know what lies in the back of this young lady's thoughts.

Miss Virginia Tice, Assistant to the Business Manager, has been with the Alma college business office for 5 years. Before she came here she lived in Mt. Pleasant and was graduated from Central State Teacher College, majoring in art.

Her hobby is one that will strike an answering chord in many a soul on the campus. She has been collecting over a period of time a very complete collection of the best works from the boogie woogie world. Billy Holiday and Hazel Scott are her favorite blues singers amongst the all time great.

She does not like modern painting, but she does like Alma College so well that she said that she wouldn't consider working anywhere else. The friendly attitude that she finds makes her job more than just an occupation.

Virginia is always willing to lend an ear to anyone, so if you are ever lonesome, look her up in the office at any time. Incidentally, can she cook!

William Werstler, jr., traveled by horseback more than 1,000 miles from his father's ranch at Walden, Colo., to the University of Illinois.

## Chit Chat From The Hermitage

By HARRY MORLEY

Another Homecoming has come and gone and once again we must settle down to the routine way of life. It sure was swell to see all the old but not forgotten faces on the campus.

I might say that our service men sure looked fine, but that isn't necessary so I won't say it.

Flash. Janis Freiermuth and Bruce Lindy are now headed toward the final end—matrimony. Janis is now wearing Bruce's ring. Congratulations!

How did you like that game with Kazoo Not bad, not bad. We sure had swell weather and a swell team to make everything perfect. We sure can be proud of all the boys on the team who do or die for dear old Alma. I know that I am speaking in behalf of the campus when I say to Bruce Butler and Gene Dyer, get over those injuries quickly, for we want to see you both in there soon.

I had quite a time talking with some of the old grads of Alma. One man, an eminent doctor, made the statement that out of all the homecomings he had ever attended he had never been to one where everything was handled with such efficiency in timing. He also remarked on how much the quality of food had improved here since he was a student. Somebody deserves a lot of credit.

## Interesting Freshmen

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music. Dramatics also holds her attention. The college men at Alma are superb.

Judy Oates comes to the campus from the very active Farmington high school in Farmington, Michigan, where she held the office of vice-president of her Student Council.

Her favorite music is brought to her by Tommy Dorsey and his orchestra. His smooth arrangements are what really makes him her favorite. She is an economics major.

The male population, in her estimation, is one of very interesting possibilities. She has no steadys. Winter and summer both hold her interest as she likes all sports.

## Quotable Quotes

"Extravagance in any form, by citizens or by government, imperils the war effort. Individuals are asked to reverse their habits of spending if inflation is not to destroy their substance. The same obligation rests upon the government. If we proceed without waste, if we increase our productive power, if we decrease our expenditures for non-essentials, we can not only survive but thrive without bankruptcy. This can be done only if considerations of political advantage are put aside, only if government curtails its own activities as it expects citizens to curtail theirs, only if the government makes its policies consistent with each other." Dr. Henry M. Wriston, president of Brown university, emphasizes the point that extravagance helps Hitler.

"In general, the news writing in college newspapers has been improving constantly. Sentence structure is tighter, the thought is more concisely set down, excess wordage has been eliminated. Paragraphs have been made shorter to sustain reader interest. And still the writing isn't of sufficient-

ly high quality. Here, perhaps, is the greatest single opportunity for improvement. Only by the painful drudgery of learning words and their uses, only by mastering spelling and grammar and syntax, only by writing and writing and

writing and then rewriting, can the student learn to write. There is no short-cut." Fred L. Kildow, assistant professor of journalism, University of Minnesota, underscores the point that writers are made, not born.

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