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STUDENTS ASK SEX EDUCATION IN COLLEGES

AUSTIN, Texas, March 7—Sex education should no longer be a matter to be whispered about, a large majority of American college students believe. In fact, almost 62 per cent of them favor making courses on the principles of sex compulsory, a nation-wide study by the Student Opinion Surveys of America shows.

In summary, comments from collegians everywhere sounded like this: "We have been prudish about this matter too long. Authoritative information has either been hidden or prohibited from young people."

Colleges Offering Courses

Time has begun to change this attitude, it would appear, for many colleges are now offering marriage courses. Students regard this an important part of their education when they say they believe such instruction should even be made obligatory. Interviewers have asked this question to a scientifically-defined cross-section from coast to coast: "Should sex education courses in colleges be made compulsory?"

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- INTERMISSION
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STRING ENSEMBLE PLANS PROGRAM

"Will all who are interested in the formation of a string ensemble please meet at the piano after chapel today." Do you remember when that notice was read? It was in the last week of November and was signed by Miss Nelson. . . The response was gratifying and a rehearsal was set for the next week. But you know how difficult it is for all members of any organization to meet at any mutually agreeable time; it's very nearly impossible. So for the rest of the semester rehearsals were held at irregular hours.

Came the second semester and with it a better arrangement of individual class schedules, which in turn facilitated the settlement of the time factor. During the past month an encouraging improvement has been noted in finesse.

It is now being planned to present the Ensemble in an informal

chapel recital in the near future. Soon thereafter, a number of formal concerts will be offered in surrounding communities. At a latter date, tentatively set for the last week in May, a formal evening concert will be presented in the College, which may include original compositions by members of the class in counterpoint.

Here and There . . .

With Bridget

Here I am again, your old key-hole peeper in person. This is going to be short and to the point, my dears; I hope you don't mind. It's because only a few of you have done anything out of the ordinary during the past week. Two other girls would like to have escorted Tommy Plowman to the Women's League Formal Saturday evening. He seems to be much in demand. In fact I was going to ask him myself, but I'm afraid Connie Hamilton has the upper hand there. I don't see how DeEtta Baker retains her popularity when she has a date with one boy and a half hour later she's out with some one else. John Foster broke up with Muriel Wert for one whole day last week. Both parties didn't like the idea very much.

Little Bobby Fulton is going for Ruth Niles in a great big way, methinks. He's been squiring her nearly every night for the past week. Harold Dean and Phyllis Koepfgen seemed to get along nicely Saturday. I noticed they were quietly sitting out a few dances in the darkest corner. Several of us girls have hoped that Ralph Wynkoop and Bud Leslie would break down and ask one of us for a date. Sally Reed seems to have the inner track with Bud.

Keith Carey had the right idea. He waited till the right girl asked him to the W. L. Formals; who happened to be Virginia Hardgrove. Dorothy Lindke turned around and asked John Tomes. That was a rather dirty trick that Lockhart played on Hanzel. But I guess they had fun, anyway. That sort of treatment won't help in the future though, Betty.

Tom Purdy also had a lovely night of it Saturday. I hear from a confidential report that Bob Garthwaite showered his attentions on Phyllis Koepfgen at the Saginaw Concert.

I told you this would be short and I was right.

Forever,
BRIDGET

P. S. What Wright Hall girl has become a cute trick at ping-pong?

A squirrel looked at a freshman. Then his mother's eyes did meet. "Yes, darling," said his mother, "But it's not the kind you eat."

He: Why is it that the most important men on the campus get the prettiest girls?

She: Why, you conceited thing, you!

Overheard at a frat house: "Is this dance formal, or can I wear my own clothes?"

"Frequent water drinking prevents you from becoming stiff in the joints."

"Yes, but some of the joints don't even serve water."

STUDENT FORUM

Madam Editor, Members of the Faculty and Student Body,

It is with the sincere intention of making Alma College a better place to live in, and with the feeling that the correction of what up to now may have been a "necessary evil" will be a trend in that direction, that the following opinion is aired.

In the fall of every school year the student body is required to take what is erroneously classified as a "physical exam." This exam requires the examining physician to fill out approximately ten points out of twenty-four, on a card checking heart ailments etc., lasts three to five minutes and costs one dollar. My contention is not so much that this examination is a farce and entirely without value, for obviously it has some value; but that the examination is not sufficient for the knowledge which should, and I believe is intended, to be gathered. Having passed through the examination three times I can state with some authority that most of the time is spent by the examiner in asking the examinee if he has any disease of which he is aware—making it possible that one may be riddled with tuberculosis or a venereal disease and still pass the examination.

Fixing The Blame

Naturally the question springs to mind as to who is to blame and the answer oddly enough is no one, for we can not blame the doctor for making a skimpy exam for an obviously nominal fee, adding to this the fact that he is required to take care of so many in so short a time, and we certainly can not blame the administration, for we realize that they have accomplished a superhuman feat in revamping our campus in the way they have, in the short time they have . . . so realizing that the policy of the administration has changed, the writer has written this article for the sole reason for contributing, to a new Alma College, the hope of correction of what is, to him at least, a vital question . . . and in the hope of stopping what in former years was a mistake, from being repeated next fall.

Solution

As this article was written as constructive criticism the following plan is suggested. Let us take a page from the rules of the University of Michigan, which charges five dollars for a required exam. Reducing this, however, to three dollars, having a student body of approximately four hundred, we find ourselves with a sum of twelve hundred dollars, and in a small town the size of Alma where the doctors, while certainly as good as those in the larger cities, more certainly can not charge preposterous prices, twelve hundred dollars ought to go a long way in providing us with a staff that would really put us through a week of thorough examinations that would really mean something. And then too, the fact should be realized that ranging in ages from eighteen to thirty-four we are old enough to know what handicaps, if any, we are going to be required to carry through life.

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ALUMNI NOTES

Busiest man on the University of Illinois campus during Farm and Home Week, January 9-13, was W. H. "Bill" Young, custodian of classrooms for the college of agriculture. Into his lap fell the job of assigning rooms to accommodate the ever-swelling attendance which by the Week's end reached 4288 or 500 more than the 1938 record.

Assistant Dean Young, an Alma graduate of 1895, writes that during the year the college has from twelve to fifteen thousand visitors, and it is his duty to see that they are looked after while there. This is aside from his regular personnel work with more than fifteen hundred College of Agriculture students.

Ida M. Tarbell, famed biography writer, was the lone "co-ed" at Allegheny College in the class of 1876.

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INTRAMURAL

By Ace Cutler

The Boys' Intramural playoffs for the championship began on Monday night, with Cappaert meeting Lea, and Ziem meeting Dane. Tonight, Tuesday, Skinner vs. Richardson at 7:00; at 8:00 LaPaugh vs. True; at 9:00 the winner of the Cappaert-Lea game vs. Bainbridge. On Wednesday night at 7:00, the winner of the Dane-Ziem vs. winner of LaPaugh-True. At 8:00 winner of Skinner-Richardson vs. winner of Tuesday's nine o'clock game. On Friday at 7:30 the finals come off. Suitable awards will be given to winners.

Some of the individual men who should be good are Hoogerland of Lea, Youngs and Dane of Danes, Dunette and P. Cicinelli of the Skinner squad. There is Bud Howe of Richardson, and Sal Cicinelli of the True team. The tournament will be tough, and anything can happen in a competition of this type. No prediction—may the best man win!

Just . . . Entertainment

MOON MULLINS and his Southern Gentlemen return by popular request to Flint's I. M. A. next Saturday night. The Music of Yesterday and Today, BLUE BARON and his orchestra from New York were "in" last Saturday eve. March 18, no dance. The Auditorium will be used for the State High School Basketball finals. On Friday, March 4 the CKLM Gold Star Cowboys will play for an old-fashioned Barn Dance.

On Saturday, March 25, Chicago's Favorite Band, CHARLIE AGNEW and His Orchestra, the Sensation of the Mid-West, come in. The annual Builder's Show will be held at the Auditorium on April 1, and General JAN GARBER, The Musical Host from the Coast, will wind up the March dancing on April 8. Dancing is from 9:00 p. m. to 1:00 a. m.

The Strand has some mighty fine shows booked for the month. Tomorrow night it's "Tailspin." On Thursday and Friday night "The Three Musketeers," with Don Amache and Three Ritz Brothers. Next Sunday and Monday, Mickey Rooney and "The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn." Next Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday Rudyard Kipling's "Gunga Din." Others are "Cafe Society," "Stagecoach," and "The Ice Follies of 1939."

The LETTERBOX

Dear Editor and Fellow Students:

The discourtesy of the student body reached a peak for the present school year in the Chapel service of Monday morning, March 6. The guest speaker was interrupted in the middle of his talk by an alarm clock, which chose that time to ring. No attempt was made to stop the ringing, instead many of the students laughed heartily, much to the embarrassment of the speaker and the faculty.

Fellow students, it is time we put our house in order. This is not the first incident of disrespect and rudeness on the part of the student body. The guest, during Religious Emphasis Week, found it necessary to interrupt some private discussion going on in one part of the Chapel; and several times has Doctor Dunning had to remind some of the students that they were in a Chapel, and that in all due courtesy, it was their duty to listen to what was being said.

Several times I have heard it said by some person that we are much in need of additional facilities here at Alma, yet that same person by his misbehavior and vulgarity in Chapel will insult a guest speaker, whose word back home might mean much toward contributions that would give Alma its needed improvements.

I have often overheard persons coming out of Chapel saying, "Well, I didn't learn anything new today." Is it any wonder when that same person spends all of his time conversing with his neighbor, at the same time withdrawing the attention of his neighbor as well as the people around him from the consideration of what the speaker has to say?

Any person who believes that he is so intelligent that he can gain nothing from what someone else has to say has no right to be in this college. He is beyond all hope of education. Everyone that addresses the student body has a worthwhile message, which cannot help but be of some use to the student who heeds them, if not in their entirety, at least in part.

The students of Alma must prove to those who come here, as well as to those who are here for their instruction, that they are not ill-bred, tactless, and disrespectful individuals, but that the students of Alma College are worthy to be called 'College students.'

George H. DeHority

The University of Denver has announced special fellowships to train experts in local government finance.

Exams are just like women. This statement is quite right. They ask you foolish questions, And keep you up all night.

Off the Record

By I. M. Strickly

Because there is a feeling that the so-called dirt columns err in their constant bickering at the same individuals, the following conglomeration of questions and facts is presented for your approval. To be really up on the campus dirt you should know:

Wny B. Lindley envies Hubert Hill (corny trombone artist that he is).

What chem. and math. major has a book which tells, "How to Dance" in ten easy chapters, and how he is trying to change the styles of his dancing friends, having crammed between semesters.

If the rumor is true that a certain faculty member likes swing music, but shuts off the radio in disgust any time a band plays Franklin D. Roosevelt Jones.

Which, "Angel With a Dirty Face," was seen partaking of the pleasures of fermentation at the "Main" Sat. Night.

Which Squaw at Lard Lake, where the part of the campus swing band played this summer, placed upon Indian Joe Corbett's little finger that token of undying devotion, and just what does it stand for.

Just how long these dedications from Alma College's practical jokers to the dedication program of a Lansing radio station, called the Dawn Patrol, will continue. It seems that these same people have taken it upon themselves to dedicate numbers for other students. The following have gone through Hell's eternal fires while their dedications were played:

Fred Hart to Mary Baker— (Have you Forgotten So Soon?) (Brings back memories of a hay ride, Fred)

From Dick Bingham, to an unremembered source, "Hot Lips"

From Betty Lockhardt, to a fellow for whom we have the utmost respect and classify as one of Alma College's intellectual "Greats," but whose name modesty will not permit us to mention here, "You're the One Rose," even (if, like the last rose of summer, you are a trifle wilted).

From Bud McLean to his better self, "Two Sleepy People."

What two Wright Hall roommates have birthdays in adjoining months, and now that one birthday has been toasted into the ever-deepening twilight of time, by approximately two weeks, are slightly perplexed whether they are celebrating the birthday gone or coming.

On whether it is a compliment to Wright Hall women that most campus men are in favor of abolishing the Co-ed part of Alma College, it being of the quality that it is, but still will go out with them rather than study?

Who Kenny, Smarty, Hathaway is trying to imitate when he rolls up his pants, wears sport shoes and a bow tie to class and makes that nasty too frequently heard sucking sound with his lips. (Rather queer antics one might almost say, for Alma College's crack two miler, at least that's what he told some Mt. Pleasant women, until they got the low down.)

STUDENT OPINION

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High School Needs

Speaking for the majority, a North Dakota State Teachers College junior said, "Sex education should have begun back in high school—during adolescence." Some believe upperclassmen only should receive instruction. A Baylor University medical student would include personal hygiene and causes and results of venereal disease. However, there are many who believe all sex matters should be left to the parents, and a Northwestern co-ed declares, "You should go to your doctor for that information." In some colleges, students say there is not enough room in the courses offered. Others favor voluntary courses only.

In America, the movement toward more sex education was begun in 1910 under the leadership of Dr. Prince A. Morrow. Sex education in its largest sense has been defined as that including scientific, social, ethical, and religious instruction and influence that may in some way, directly or indirectly, help young people to solve the sex problems that will inevitably be encountered by every normal person.

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Skinner To Manage Scot Nine For '39

Spring brings the faint rumblings of bat hitting ball, the big League are in training, and the bug has bit the Alma boys—they're working out in the Gym.

Last spring Alma got a baseball team, started mainly by Chuck Skinner, Chuck Humiston, and Tom Plowman. By different methods they got enough money to put a team on the field. Ten years after baseball had been dropped as a varsity sport, Alma played her first game on Davis Field on April 29.

Alma beat Ferris Institute that day, by an 8-7 score. The team lined up with Hill as catcher, Stanek pitcher, Heinie Adams on first base, Aymour Johnson on second, Humiston as short stop, Bud Tice on third, Burtraw in right field, Richardson in center field, Krall in left field. Stanek allowed two hits, and fanned ten.

The second game was at Michigan State, against the Frosh, the the State Frosh winning, 15-14. Burtaw got three for five that day. Then Alma played Mt. Pleasant, there, and won, 5-3. The fourth game, Alma went to Big Rapids and beat Ferris 8-3. Stanek allowed five hits, and fanned ten.

The fifth game, at Jackson Junior College, was the best of the year. Stanek and Burtraw went round for the Scots, and the J. C.'s got those in the last of the seventh. Score, Alma 2, J. C. 1. The

sixth game saw Alma defeated 5-4 in ten innings with the Michigan State Frosh. Alma lost to Central State, 5-3, in the seventh game. Adams was defeated by Lyons, who pitched very steady ball, allowing Alma six hits.

Up to date, the Alma College baseball team has scheduled for certain, the following games, trying to keep the schedule on a home and home basis, one here, one there. They have arranged two games with the Michigan State Frosh, two with Western State Frosh, two with Grand Rapids J. C., one game at Ypsilanti against Ypsi's varsity, and also two games with Laurence Tech. These games are definite. The following are pending; two with Central State, two with Ferris Institute, two with Hillsdale and one with Jackson Junior College.

Batting average of the players last year—				
	AB	R	H	RBI Avg
G. Stanek	26	11	10	.388
R. Burtraw	24	7	9	.375
C. Humiston	14	4	5	.357
H. Adams	27	3	8	.296
B. Tice	26	6	7	.269
F. Hill	15	2	4	.267
B. Richardson	27	5	7	.258
C. Lea	8	0	2	.250
A. Johnson	21	2	5	.239
T. Plowman	13	1	3	.231
D. Smith	13	1	2	.141
J. Emms	13	2	1	.141
D. Krall	5	0	0	.000

PITCHING RECORD						
	W	L	Pct.	SO	BB	IP
H. Adams	3	1	.750	29	14	23 1/3
J. Stanek	1	2	.333	42	15	32 1/3

Out of these two only Adams will be back; Stanek is playing prob ball this year.

Scots in Sports

Basketball fires its parting shot this week, when Hope, Kalamazoo, and Albion playoff a three-way tie for the championship of the M. I. A. A. This year's playoff will be a novel arrangement. The three teams will meet each other in a round robin affair, playing each other in 15 minute halves. After each has played the other for 30 minutes, the winner will be named. In case of a tie, the team that has scored the most points in the evening's play will be declared champion. Kalamazoo is the defending champion, but Hope is favored slightly this year.

The Scots rang down the curtain on a disappointing season last Tuesday, when they bowed to Hope, 40-3. In the first half they out-fought the Dutchmen and led 14-12. Just when it looked like the season's biggest upset might take place, Hope got going and scored almost at will. Lee Brannock and DeGroot led Hope with 15 and 8

points respectively, while Duck Smith's 8 was high for Alma. This game brought the careers of Bob Plowman to a close. Bob Adams, high scoring guard, has been outstanding on the squad for the last two years, and will be missed next year. So will Mathews, one of the best ball handlers on the squad for the last three years. John was injured early this year, and didn't hit his stride until late in the season, but he has been a big help. Carl Elder, one of the best all-around athletes in school, is completing his third season on the varsity, as is Tom Plowman, who played his best ball this year. Chuck Humiston played but one season of varsity ball, but he developed so fast that he was a regular when the season ended, and his fighting play helped plenty. Heinie Adams, with 77 points, finished eleventh in the M. I. A. A. scoring race won by Feduniak of Albion with 157. He and Bob led the Scot scoring for the season, and Heinie, a sophomore, should be even better next year. The brother act will be broken up, however, when Bob graduates in June.

The track squad is working hard this week, getting ready for the M. I. A. A. Indoor meet to be held at Hillsdale March 15. The Scots will be darkhorse in the meet this year. Kalamazoo, defending champion, is strong again, as are Albion and Hillsdale. Alma should do well in the field events, and will make a better showing in the track events than at East Lansing. The Scots came through with an unexpected second place last year, and if the squad can get in shape, they may surprise again.

The district tournament is over and the three winners go on to the regionals this week. In class B, Alma High showed plenty while whiplashing St. Louis 38-26, and should go places in the regionals. In Jack Howe they have a very dangerous scoring threat, and probably the outstanding player in the tournament here. Perrinton looked good while thumping Shepherd, 35-19, in the class C finals, and Crystal had little trouble retaining the class D crown won here last year, whipping Riverdale, 24-11.

Cassidy Lake Boxers Reach State Golden Gloves Finals

Grand Rapids, March 7—Three boxers from Cassidy Lake, the National Youth Administration work project near Chelsea (Mich.), punched their way into the state finals of the Golden Gloves tournament here last week. None of them, however, were able to earn a berth on the Michigan team which travelled to Chicago for an inter-state meet this week.

A student musical comedy will be produced at Yale this year for the first time since 1894.

THINCLADS GO TO M. S. C. MEET

Alma's track team opened its indoor season at the State Intercollegiate meet at East Lansing Saturday, and made a good showing despite the fact that they failed to place anyone in the finals.

The Scot thinclads, coached this year by Art Smith, showed up as well as Albion, Hillsdale, or Kalamazoo, the other M. I. A. A. schools entered in the afternoon events. Michigan State, Wayne, Michigan Normal dominated the meet, but this is not surprising because they have all the facilities necessary, and most of them have had meets this year. The Alma squad has no place to work out. Most of the boys haven't even had a chance to get in shape, let alone work on their events, so their showing is very encouraging.

Track Preliminaries

In the track events, Joe Godleski, Dud Taber, Don Smith, and Bill Carr competed for Alma. Godleski went through the preliminaries and the quarter finals in the 40 yard dash, and was not eliminated until he reached the semi-finals. Tabor ran in the fastest 40 heat of the day. This heat, won by Hoffman of Michigan Normal in 4:6, was 2 sec. faster than the time of the final Saturday night, also won by Hoffman. Only a bad start prevented Taber from qualifying. Don Smith ran the high and low hurdles, and was barely nosed out in the highs with his time of 5:7.

The time of Henderson, Wayne, the winner in the finals, was 5:5. Don will improve on this time, and should pick up plenty of points this year. Carr and Godleski were both leading their heat of the 300 yd. dash going into the last lap, but they faltered near the finish. Angus MacGarvah just failed to land in the first four in the shot put with his heave of 39 feet. The event was won by Hathaway of Michigan Normal, with a toss of over 43 feet. Mel Hultman, pole-vaulting for the first time this year, went 11 ft. before he was put out. Mel with MacGarvah in the shot, Elder in the high jump, and Godleski in the broad jump, will make the field events a strong point on this year's team. The Scots did not compete in the high jump or medley relay as was planned. The medley relay was the outstanding event on Saturday's program, with Michigan State, Western State, and Michigan Normal all breaking the gym record, Michigan State winning in 8:03.4.

CREDIT, WHERE CREDIT IS DUE

As is usually the case, credit and publicity concerning athletic teams have been given the members of the various squads, perhaps a justifiable fact considering that they are the ones that put on the show for the public.

As with every show, however, there is someone behind the scenes directing production and caring for the numerous small but important details which may mean the success of the enterprise. Thus it is with athletics. For this reason, the writer would like to go behind the scenes and give credit to the ones who are behind the players.

When the boys come on the field or on the floor, they are responsible; it is up to them then. But before they make their appearance, the responsibility lies with the coaches as well as the players. The drilling of the players, the teaching of the finer points of the game, the selection of players, the molding of individuals into a smooth-working, alert ball club, and the upholding of sportsmanlike traditions all these are the lot of the coach.

The coaches and trainers are the ones behind the scenes in the athletic theatre of any school. The major headaches and criticisms are their lot. To the boys, no matter how much they desire to win, it is still only a game. To the coach, it is his job. He is on the spot. He must produce.

Thus it is that this writer wishes to give his vote of thanks to the Alma coaching staff. To coach

MacDonald is due a great ovation from all of Alma College for his unselfish efforts in spite of personal ailment. Coach 'behind the players' Henry Howe also comes in for a lion's share of the credit, not only for the outstanding freshman teams he has produced in the fields of football and basketball, but also for the way in which he took over the varsity for 'Mac' during the latter's trouble. Fine work in assisting these two in football, for his intramural sports, has been done by Art Smith, '38 graduate of Alma.

In addition to all the duties of the coaches are innumerable details which must be looked after by trainers, student managers, and athletic business manager. Credit should, therefore, go to Francis Cappaert, Bill Moody, Bud Howt, and Red LeClaire for their work in caring for the athletic equipment and to Rich Rademacher for his efforts on the business side.

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Faculty Attempt To Go The Scotsman One Better In Votes

Having heard of the recent balloting on the campus as to the election of the best dressed, the most versatile, the most likely to succeed, the most popular, and the ones who have done the most for the school, the faculty of Alma College, endeavoring to keep up with the times, and maintain their leadership at least till spring vacation, met in the chapel at 5:30 last Monday morning and held a secret ballot for what they considered the higher standards of social and intellectual life at our college.

The first title on which they voted was the Most-Obvious but it was sort of a useless ballot because everyone knew who would win hands down. Yep, you've guessed it, Homer LeClaire! However, Uncle Charley was apprehended as he tried to vote twice for Dr. Barstow. Running a close second to Red in the vote was Gladys Turrel, of the second floor.

In the second race, the proposal was that of the Most-Psychologically-minded. First under the wire

this time was Arvo Juhola who breezed in fully ten paces ahead of his nearest rival, Isabel Thompson. Doctor Randels raised the question of whether the ballot would be in the best interests of applied psychology. Dr. Rorem stilled his cries with a popcorn ball. Joe MacDonald copped third money with Trudy Bell way back in the field.

The third attainment to be voted on was to find that co-ed or college man who was the Most-Ambiguous. Ahead by a nose was Jack Sanders as the slow motion camera revealed that he had just beat out Woody Woodrow Wooley.

The last and greatest step to success was the one with the Most Swing. Betty Reed, an early favorite, was scratched. Hubert Hill, under the whip, broke into the Tiger Rag in the home stretch and came home, a 20-1 shot. Sally Reed was just making the curve when Dr. Schreiber shouted, "If we ballot any longer we won't have time to roast the marshmallows!"

ORATORY

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Mary Margaret Baldwin, whose sister Betty won similar top honors four years ago in oratory, deplored the "Idol With Feet of Clay", the social and moral pressure on the college students which leads them to drinking, ruining their health, happiness, and economic security.

Also outstanding in the men's division was "Galileos of 1939", delivered by Hope College's Robert Bonthius, who desired a greater co-operation of religion with science. Hope's Rose Teninga, labelling destructive propaganda "Bacillus Propagandis", tied for fourth honors with Ypsi's June Perryman, who displayed an idealistic patriotism in "My Greatest Love".

"What Price Honesty", delivered by Calvin's John Kromminga, was a clever tirade against the absurdities of modern advertizing.

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Guests of Calvin College

The participants, their coaches, and other guests, dined at Calvin College. After the evening's contest, the A Cappella choir, thirty-five red-and-gold-robed students, sang for the audience.

Alma's representatives were accompanied by Prof. Carney Smith, who acted as a judge. The event marked the thirty-second annual women's contest, and the forty-second men's contest conducted by the Michigan Intercollegiate Speech League, which includes ten colleges.

First, second, and third winners in each contest were presented with medals, and all the orations given during the day will subsequently be published in a volume sponsored by members of the League.

"Love always finds a way" or "Courtship under supreme difficulties." That ought to be the title for this tale about a certain Holy Cross College student who was struck with the loveliness of a co-ed pictured in Collegiate Digest. It was love at first picture, as it were.

As the co-ed was not identified in the caption describing the photo, this inventive lover just clipped the picture, pasted it on an envelope and wrote the name and location of the college beneath the clipping. Inside, of course, was a request for an answer, etc.

Yes, believe it or not, Lucille Trudeau, a student in Mundelein College's skyscraper on the shores of Lake Michigan in Chicago, received the epistle promptly.

And now there's quite a steady flow of letters between the Windy City and Worcester, Mass.

A new course in historiography providing a basic knowledge of the historical method has been established at St. Lawrence University.

Here and There . . .

With Bridget

This Hall has been the deadead place of late. We're all yearning for something exciting to happen. Everyday it's the same old thing—food, books, and sleep. Perhaps a date is crowded in someplace. So, I wish some of you would take the hint and do something out of the ordinary. Something like Bert Katzenmeyer and Bill Ramsey did Saturday night. Bill was headed for Lansing all evening, but little things, like Ginny Mack, etc., steered him off his course.

One of the Lindleys (I still can't tell them apart after three years) certainly monopolized Eileen Carrier at the dance. After last year's Petty cartoon, their social life has astounded me. Yes, I think Three Rivers has a very nice Alma delegation. Art and Carra, Phyllis and Junior took a little jaunt for themselves Sunday afternoon — the lucky kids.

Hugh Garrison showered his attentions on Jane Lee Saturday night, and some of us were disappointed and some weren't. George Jordan's experience at the double-R reminds me of Lord Plushbotter's experience at the Sunday O-Taker. Wanda Hicks, I'm sure you'll both get along fine. Members of last year's Room 10 club in Pioneer Hall are longing for the Bass Lake rendezvous to open. Betty Lockhart has got herself a guy; and he's one of my fellow-correspondents, Bill Wright. It didn't take Al Schuster as long as I thought it would to get over last semester's disappointment. He and Ann Wacker gallivanted off to the show Sunday p.m. Chuck told me the other day of the four best types of communication; telephone, telegraph, teletype, tell-a-woman. I think that applies to the men as well, don't you?

Marjorie Howell and Walt Breeden really had themselves a time Saturday night while Hester and Bob Cook frolicked elsewhere. Art Russell and Jamie Fraker were incorporating a little double R tactics in their dancing. He must have remembered them from last year. It was the first Council dance that furnished danceable music.

What's become of Jack King? He hasn't been around lately—you aren't discouraged, are you, Jack? Gordon Olson was the object of much voting in Chapel last week. Stew and Bill Moran were official promoters.

Bill Follis is going to charge service charges for Bud's and Martha's phone calls. Marvin Koffman has been hunting for BRIDGET for two weeks. It's too bad you can't come up on second to get me, Marv.

Why doesn't Sid Kane break down and date Jane Anderson, although he does like to dance with her. We are all wishing that Mariana Bell would tame Killer Kain down a bit. It seems he's trying to imitate a wandering Casanova. Well, dears, I think this is just about enough for now. I'll be back next week at the same time, but with a different slant on things.

WORLD IN REVIEW

By George H. DeHority

Eugenio Cardinal Pacelli was chosen last Thursday by the Sacred College of Cardinals as the 262nd Pope of the Holy Roman Catholic Church. Cardinal Pacelli assumed the title of his predecessor, the late Pope Pius XI under whom Cardinal Pacelli had served as Papal Secretary of State, and became Pope Pius XII.

The new Pontiff was chosen unanimously by the Sacred College upon the third ballot. The coronation ceremony of Pius XII will be held Sunday, March 12, at which time he will sit upon the hallowed throne of St. Peter to receive the triple crown of the papacy with its 146 glittering jewels.

With the prospects of temporary peace abroad, we are faced with the problem of armament increases here at home. Only last Friday the House of Representatives passed the new half a billion dollar army appropriation bill for the expansion of land and air defense. This, the greatest armament appropriation of this country since 1922, passed the House without a single amendment.

The next day, Saturday, found President Roosevelt asking Congress for an extra one hundred and twenty-four million dollars, the bulk of which would go for expenditure on guns, tanks, and ammunition. At the same time the President pledged the support by America of the Democracies, for the United States "will not approvingly watch the return of forms of government which for 2,000 years have proved their tyranny and instability alike."

Senator Gerald P. Nye, North Dakota Republican, leads the opposition to both the present armament increases before the Senate, as well as the further increase asked by the President. Senator Nye fears that the President's control over foreign policy might conceivably place Congress in a position where it would be forced to declare war almost against its will, and does not favor the direct discrimination between the democracies and dictatorships in the fear that it might lead us into war.

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