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SCOTS WIND UP AGAINST NORMAL

Season Ends for Alma Friday
Night. Two Wins, Four
Losses and One Tie.

Coach Gordon A. Macdonald's boys will close a rather disappointing grid season when they take on the strong Michigan Normal team from Ypsilanti at 8:15 Friday evening under the lights of Bahlke field.

In spite of the disappointing season, in which mistakes of the inexperienced sophomores played a great part, the team's record gives some cause for pride. In spite of the inexperience, the boys gave their opponents a tough battle, losing several contests by a close margin.

Also, while making their mistakes, the boys have learned more of the inside lore which makes football truly a great sport and which should stand them in good stead in future seasons.

Thus far, the Scots have won two, tied one, and lost four games. Losses were at the hands of Ohio Wesleyan in the season's opener, 27-0; Hillsdale, 6-0; Albion, 6-0; and Kalamazoo, 7-6. As these scores indicate, only the Delaware, O., team showed much superiority, and that factor was mostly because of numbers.

On the other side of the ledger are victories over Olivet, 35 to 6, and Adrian, 31 to 0. The Scots have had one tie game, that on homecoming with Hope, 14-14.

Strand Offers Local Newsreel as Feature

Alma's Strand theater will inaugurate a local news service to be shown twice a week, possibly beginning this Wednesday and Thursday night. Bob "Scoop" Jones has been engaged as cameraman and has already taken several "shots" of local events to be used at the start-off. Any public affair, sponsored by organizations in the county, or other events of interest will be filmed by Jones if the manager of the theater is notified. Already several college pictures have been taken, including the football team and scenes of the Pajama Parade.

The film that is being used is 16 mm. The new feature also requires additional equipment. Victor "Doc" Jaekel is manager of the Strand.

In the early days at the University of Arkansas, carrying concealed weapons was such a common practice that the faculty found it necessary to make a special ruling to force the students to leave their shootin' irons at home.

Alma Men Are Not In Favor Of War; Air Corps Has Biggest Attraction

"We'll defend our own country, but will not go 'across' to war, unless forced to do so," seems to be the general consensus of opinion of Alma college's male population. Thirteen men were asked the question, "If European war comes, which branch of military service would you prefer and why? Also would you go 'across' to fight?"

The Air Corps seems to be preferable with six of those approached, to any other duties. The Coastal Defence also appeals to many. Other services mentioned were Red Cross work, Intelligence division, navy, and infantry.

The answers to the question:

MUST WE MARCH?

Saturday we get out of school. That is the attitude that most of us students will take. It will just be another lucky break. No seven-fifties, no classes of any kind. A few will stop to wonder just what our vacation is for, another few will perhaps even recognize the irony under which our school will be closed for a day.

November 11 is Armistice Day. An Armistice from what? Twenty-one years ago this day, at eleven o'clock in the morning, the war to end wars stopped. The world was made safe for democracy. And now today the chorus of a European song is echoing across the Atlantic to the strains of "WE MUST MARCH".

We have taken pride in the privilege granted us to celebrate such a day in world history. And now we wonder if it's all worth the while; if we are not the pawns of the illegitimate international chess game; if lives, destinies, and entities shall again be sacrificed on the cutting of a flimsy card from a war-torn deck in this international poker game.

What, precisely, does an education mean in such perilous times? Does a regiment composed of PhD's make better cannon fodder than the men who have not had an opportunity such as ours?

It remains for us to "avert the storm that is now coming on." Leaders are necessary whether in war or peace. Let us join the ranks of those who are dogmatically opposed to crashing the door to Europe's slaughter house. Some say that our fate rests in the hands of the diplomats; that is not so! If we must fight let's fight for peace instead of blotching our hands with the burden of the blood spilled on the fronts of Europe. Is it not possible for all of us to be envoys of peace? With a common purpose in mind, with a common front on which to fight our battle, we can at least hope to succeed in defeating the vast armies of Mars. Patrick Henry once said under similar circumstances, "Give me liberty or give me death." Let us unite in the singing of "Give Us Liberty, Peace, and Justice."

PAJAMA PARADE HELD LAST WEEK

After a postponement of one week, the annual Pajama Parade was held last Wednesday night under the supervision of the student council. Pajama-clad freshmen and upperclassmen snake danced through Alma's downtown streets for two hours before the frosh presented their twenty-minute program in the Strand theater.

Freshman Dave Kinney acted as master-of-ceremonies and presented a program consisting of a quartette, the Russian hitch-hiker, trumpet player, and other "boobable" acts. Class President Warren Heitman assisted in its arrangements. Free theater tickets were passed out to each member of the student body in attendance with the understanding that the theater will not be rushed during the year. Cigars, lucky tickets, etc., were given away by various downtown merchants.

Following the program, a huge bonfire at Davis field gave the frosh their chance to rid themselves of their pots for the year.

Stop The Press !!

Hamilton Speaks in Thumb

Prof. Roy W. Hamilton, of the Alma college English department, spoke before the regular meeting of the Bad Axe Rotary club last week. His schedule for this week calls for an appearance at Sebewaing next Thursday to address the Upper Thumb Roundtable composed of High school superintendents, principals, and teachers. Next Sunday Prof. Hamilton will preach the sermon at the Detroit Jefferson Avenue Presbyterian church.

Guest Soloist

Mrs. John Van Dongen of Grand Rapids was guest soloist in chapel services yesterday. Mrs. Van Dongen sang two vocal numbers. She is formerly from Kalamazoo where she worked with Dr. John W. Dunning in the First Presbyterian church.

I. R. C. TAKES IN ELEVEN NEW MEMBERS

Eleven students were initiated into the International Relations Club at a meeting held by the group Monday morning following chapel. The new members are Eleanor Blakeley, Sanford; Betty Thomas, Bay City; Elizabeth Dougherty, Auburn, N. Y.; Shirley Lahaie, Cheboygan; Muriel Wert, Detroit; Elizabeth Frevort, Alma; John True, Saginaw; Bill Prescott, Tawas City; Jack Crittenden, Kalamazoo; Art Russell, Michigan City, Ind; and Reah Cunningham, Alpena.

The club will hold a meeting this afternoon at 4:15 at Wright hall. The college debate squad will present a practice debate as part of the program.

From 1934 through 1938, Texas Christian University's football team was penalized 223 times while its opponents were penalized 222 times.

DEBATERS SET FOR CONTESTS

Alma College debaters are at work this week as they prepare to start the coming season off with several debates.

This Friday evening George Jennings and Wilbur McCrum will travel to Flint to discuss the Railroad question before the Community Presbyterian's Mens club.

On November 14 the men will be host to the remodeled Central State squad with their new debate coach. There are two debates scheduled that day. Marvin Koffman and Homer LeClair will uphold the negative side of the Isolation issue against the men from State, while George DeHerty and Harold Draper will meet the Teacher's negative team.

The women debaters will travel to Mt. Pleasant on the 16th to debate the same question. The women who will make this trip are Louis Lindsay, Shirley Lahaie, Ruth Wille and Mary Baker. Many debates are being planned with the schools throughout the state.

J. TAYLOR GETS FEMININE LEAD

Drama Club Selecting Cast
for December Production;
Volpel New Director.

Jean Taylor, transfer student from Parks College, has been given the lead in the production, "The Night of January 16th." Miss Taylor will play the part of Karen Andre in the cast recently announced by Marvin Volpel, new faculty director of the Drama club. The men parts have, as yet, not been definitely decided upon.

Kay Thomson will play the role of Mrs. John Hutchins. Nancy Faulkner will be portrayed by Ruth Wille. Elizabeth Miller will play Magda Svenson. Jane Chandler, a dancer, will give you another newcomer Virginia Feighner. Marion Haas, new to the footlights, will play Roberta Van Rensselaer. Florence Brown, a veteran of the players, will be seen as the matron. The two secretaries are being portrayed by still two more newcomers; Connie Grimes and Mary Jane Reed. Eileen Sullivan, known to all who have followed the Drama club's productions in recent years, will be seen as the stenographer.

All the above people and parts have yet to be approved by the Drama club, as many of them are not yet members. The men parts which include the two leads, that of Steven and Flint will be announced at a later date. The club plans to present this fall production during the first part of December.

MIAA HANDBOOK FOR SALE HERE

The officially recognized "Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association Handbook," written and compiled by Thomas Oliver of Hillsdale, will make its appearance on Alma college's campus this week. The book contains a complete record of all M. I. A. A. competitions.

Oliver has worked on the handbook for the two last years, collecting scores, games, and other data. The book contains a short history of all seven M. I. A. A. schools with a summary of each sport. The various college papers have cooperated with him in his collection of data. In addition, the book includes all conference and non-conference games, all M. I. A. A. coaches since the founding of the organization, M. I. A. A. championships, and all-M. I. A. A. teams.

Orders for the book for Alma students, and residents of Alma, are being taken by Herb Spendlove.

The oldest state university building in North America is at the University of North Carolina.

Sleep. The Collegiate Pastime; Alma Students Are No Exception

By Stewart McFadden
Saturday evening the Zeta Sigma open house gave your morning reporter a swell opportunity to question and cross-question several members of the student and faculty body as to their general sleeping habits and idiosyncrasies (there's a college word for you). The exact answers are listed below. Several of the girls were a bit skeptical about telling the truth, but a rapid series of questions finally wore them down, so that the answers herein contained are the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, so help me John Doe.

Ann Wacker: "I sleep on my back." She admits that she dreams occasionally, but wouldn't divulge the secrets of her subconscious life.

Jack Gilchrist: "On my side with one arm tucked under the pillow."

Sophomore Hastings comments that he sleeps "all curled up," and admits that his average so far this year is about six hours per night.

Purvis Kofgen sleeps on her stomach with the blanket pulled over her head. Her partner, Ruth K., confides that she talks in her sleep, but that she has never been (Continued on page 4.)

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LOUIS HAYWARD,
JOAN BENNETT in
**The Man in the
Iron Mask**
Disney Cartoon News

Fraternity & Sorority News**Zeta Sigma Open House
Event of Last Saturday**

Zeta Sigma fraternity presented their first Open House of the year last Saturday night. Many Alma college faculty members, students, and friends visited the house during the evening. Festivities began at 8:00 p. m. with dancing, cards, ping-pong, and pool, making up the evening's entertainment.

Art Russell, Michigan City, Ind., junior, was in charge of arrangements. He was assisted by Jack Walsh, Bob Higgins, Stan Smith and Al McQuaig.

**ALPHA THETAS HONOR
FROSH WITH HAYRIDE**

Rushing season is in full swing with progressive dinners, teas, and hayrides, the latter being given by the Alpha Theta sorority last Wednesday evening. Three wagons with nearly ninety Alpha Theta members and freshmen braved the pangs of winter to enjoy the hayride and delicious picnic which was previously prepared by Vic Manzulla, Wright hall chef. The group returned in time for the Pajama Parade held that night. Those in charge of arrangements were Gene Lewis, Vera Pitcher, Virginia Hardgrove, and Mary Brunner.

**K. I.'s and Guests Set
For Wednesday Party**

Lois Goldie, chairman of the Kappa Iota sorority party which will be an event of November 8, has announced that the party will be held at the home of Gladys Glass instead of at the Pine River Country Club as previously announced. Cards, dancing, and an old-fashioned taffy pull will be part of the evening's program. The party is open to Kappa Iota members and their guests. Chaperones will be Dr. and Mrs. C. DuBois, Prof. and Mrs. J. W. Ewer, and Coach and Mrs. Gordon Macdonald.

**EIGHT UPPERCLASSMEN
GET PHI INITIATION**

Eight upperclassmen were initiated into Phi Phi Alpha fraternity last night. They are Stan Abrahamson, Escanaba; Fred and Joseph Hayden, Cassopolis; Francis Sherman, East Lansing; Bill Laird, Ann Arbor; Jack Gilchrist, Flint; Jim Cotter, Pewamo, and Ed Penner, East Lansing.

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**Philos Present "Moon-
Mad" Party Last Friday**

Philomathean sorority presented their "Moon-Mad" party in the Wright hall Recreation room last Friday night in honor of all freshman girls. Decorations, invitations, games, and refreshments were centered around the moon. Jeanette English was general chairman and was assisted by the following: Shirley Lahaie, Faythe Ingersoll, Francis Crannick, Florence Brown, and Eileen Carrier.

**DORMS TO HAVE
OWN LIBRARIES**

Recreational libraries, which were so popular in Wright hall and Pioneer hall last year, are being re-installed this week. About 30 books will be placed in each recreation room. Selections will be changed every month.

In order to purchase two magazines and a daily newspaper, each student has agreed to contribute twenty-five cents.

Selections are being based on suggestions handed in by the students last week in which they stated a book they would like to read, a book they would recommend for others and a subject on which they'd like material. New books may be ordered from these suggestions.

A catalogue will be placed in the recreation rooms from which books may be signed out for a period of one week. This will be done on the honor system.

Lois Goldie and Rhea Cunningham in Wright hall and Frank Young and Donald Allured in Pioneer hall will supervise the selection and circulation of these libraries. Student suggestions should be presented to any one of this committee or to Miss Fina Ott at the library.

**TICKETS FOR FROSH
FROLIC GO ON SALE**

Tickets went on sale last week for the annual Frosh Frolic which will be held at Memorial gymnasium, November 18. Johnny Vic and his "Knights of Swing," a Detroit band, will furnish dance tempos for the event. Committees are at work planning a novel decoration scheme and prospects point to one of the best parties of the year.

Advance sale for tickets is one dollar per couple and eighty-five cents for stags. Door charge will be \$1.25. Kay Thomson and Doug Wilson are co-chairmen for the dance.

**GIRLS FROLIC AT
W. A. A. FUN FEST**

Decorated in true Hallowe'en surroundings, consisting of pumpkins, hosts, and corn stalks, Memorial gymnasium was the scene of the first Women's Athletic Association sponsored Hallowe'en party last Tuesday night. The party was open only to college girls. Prizes were awarded to Ann Carter, Marjorie Croft, Marion Haas, and Phyllis Koepfgen for clever costumes. Hot dogs and cider were served in the latter part of the evening. Gladys Glass was in charge of arrangements.

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KAZOO KNOCKS OFF SCOTS, 7-6

Hornets Take Over Fourth Place in MIAA. Sub in Feature of Game.

By Jack L. Crittenden

Last Friday night, Kalamazoo college grabbed off fourth place in the M.I.A.A. standings by defeating Alma college's Scots, 7-6. A combination of five 15 yard penalties, poor choice of plays at crucial times, and the Hornet co-captains, Dan Wood and Paul Van Keuren, helped Kazoo to subdue the Scots.

The feature of the entire game was made by a sub who got in for just one play. After Kalamazoo had tied the score, it was Joe (One Play) Martin who rushed onto the field, took a poor center pass, and pushed a drop-kick between on-rushing linemen to make the extra point. As in other games this year, One Play took the ball, kicked it, and then ran for the bench, his job over.

During 15 first downs to their opponents, nine the Scots amassed more territory than the Hornets but seemed to be unable to cross the Kalamazoo goal-line, after their first success.

Both touchdowns came as the result of interference called by the officials. The Scots took the opening kick-off and started out to take the ball to Kazoo's 25 on easy line thrusts. Then two 15 yard penalties stopped chances of an early tally.

Early in the second quarter, with the ball on Kazoo's five yard line and fourth down, Kirby attempted a placekick from the 14-yard line, but the kick went wild. Shortly afterwards Tinker threw a 17-yard pass to Carey on the Kazoo 25. Another pass intended for Carey in the corner was knocked down, but officials declared inter-

SPORT SHORTS

by CRIT

(Note: "Sport Shorts" is written by Marvin Koffman who has covered all freshman football games. Sports Editor Jack Crittenden will return to write the column next week.)

The Alma Scotties wound up their season with an even split. They have defeated Central State Frosh twice, and have lost to Hope Frosh and Western State Frosh. The Hope game was a heartbreaker as the Alma yearlings were beaten by the close margin of 6-0. Coach Art Smith need have no regrets for the boys played heads-up ball every second of every game.

Jack "Sailor" Tait has played sensational ball the entire season, and his passing has gone far in making the Scotties look good. It looks as though Frank (I dare 'em to come around my way) Navarre will be a worthy successor to the position now held by Cliff Carter. Max Tullis, Ed Penner, and Bill Pink deserve orchids for fine games throughout the season. Neil Lysski has proven that he can catch those passes tossed by the Sailor and Tullis.

The line did a swell job throughout the season, and the boys should be complimented for it. Abrahamson, Ramsey, Hicks, Hoover, Higgins, Toth and Wilson all combined to hold the opposition's score down. The entire squad should be of great aid to Coach Gordon Macdonald next fall.

The Scotties aided in establishing two precedents this year. It was the first time that Alma's yearlings have succeeded in defeating the Central State Bearkittens, and it was the first time in three years that the Western State Frosh have scored a touchdown against their opponents.

Our apologies to Jack Blackmar. It seems we forgot to include Jack's name in the list of substitutes for the Hope game. Jack did a nice job of filling in for Jimmy Hicks.

The Frosh stayed over in Kalamazoo to watch the Varsity play last Friday night. It was nice to hear our boys make more noise than the entire Kalamazoo crowd. Jack Gilchrist did a nice job of spotting for the announcers.

Before the second Central State Bearkittens game, Danny Rose, Central Coach, predicted that someone would take an awful trouncing, and that it would not be Central. . . . Nothing has been heard from the Teachers College since that game.

The Western State Frosh line is coached by Howard "Hick" Hanson who attended Alma last year and played in the Scotties' line. "Hick" has done a great job with the Western lads.

Well, Crit will be back next week and we should start hearing about the basketball season. I hope the Frosh come through as well in that sport, and also hope that the varsity footballers give the boys from Ypsi a real battle. They can do it.

ference and Alma took the ball on the Hornet three-yard. Hill made one yard, Kirby picked up two feet, and Smith wormed through center for the tally on third down. A bad center pass spoiled chances of the extra point.

In the third quarter Dan Wood, fast Kazoo back, returned a punt to Alma's 33. A pass, Wood to Lemmer, picked up eight, and Wood added 10 more through the line. A pass, Wood to Braham, was knocked down, but interference was again ruled and Kalamazoo took the ball on Alma's one. In two line thrusts Wood went over. Martin entered to make the winning point, and Kazoo led, 7 to 6.

Runs by Wood and Vanderberg led to another Hornet threat but the Scots braced on their own eight and took the ball. Marching the length of the field, the Scots were stopped on the Hornet 15. After line plays failed, Kirby attempted a field goal from the 25-yard line, but the try was short and wide. The Scots threatened again when they backed Kalamazoo to its one-yard marker in the closing minutes.

Wood whose kicking and passing had stood out during the game, punted to midfield to save the Hornets.

Featuring Alma backfield play was the running of Smith, Arnold, and Hill, and the passing of Kirby. In the line Carter, Barnett, Ziem, Carey, Riggs, and Carr stood out.

Lineups and summary:
Alma (6) Kalamazoo (7)
Carey LE Lemmer
Ziem IT P. VanKeuren
Carr LG J. Clay
Carter C Weand
Barnett RG O. Clay
Cutler RT Schappe
Holmes RE Braham
Kirby QB M. VanKeuren
Smith LH Wood
Hill RB Vanderberg
Ginther FB Bockelman
Alma substitutions: Riggs, Bakluz, McKeith, Wilson, Gula-gner, Puddy, Gillert, McMillen, and Hoogerland.

MIAA ROUNDUP

Albion moved a step nearer to the MIAA championship last Saturday with a 34-0 win over Olivet. It was the Britons sixth straight win this season. Hope was eliminated from the race by a 20-0 defeat by Hillsdale. In a non-conference game, Adrian turned back St. Mary's of Orchard Lake 26-0. Hillsdale's victory over Hope gave the Eagles chances to tie for the conference title, provided they beat Olivet next week and Hope upsets the league-leading Albion team.

FROSH LOSE 10-0 TO END SEASON

Scotties Lose to Western Last Saturday in Season Finale.

By Maryin Koffman

Alma's Scotties were defeated in their final game of the season last Friday afternoon, by Western State Teachers College's yearlings, 10-0 at Kalamazoo. A touchdown and two safeties provided the necessary margin to beat back the Scotties. However, the game was much more thrilling than the score would indicate.

In the final quarter of the game the Alma team unleashed an aerial attack that had the Bronco crew dizzy, but the attack lagged as the ball neared the W. S. T. C. goal line. The Scotties gained 172 yards by passing, but were unable to put the ball across the goal line after taking it almost the length of the field twice.

In the second quarter of the game, Western's left halfback, Williams, carried the ball over the goal from the two yard line. Western failed to convert. A few minutes later, Chamberlain, State's right guard, downed Max Tullis behind the Alma goal for the first safety.

In the third period, Lynd, the Teachers' left end, downed Sailor Tait behind the Alma goal for the second safety.

The fourth quarter provided thrills galore as Tait, Tullis, and Neil Lysski combined to start a passing attack that was nothing short of sensational. 156 of the 172 yards made by passing were garnered in this quarter. However, the Scots' attack lagged when it neared the goal line.

Tait provided the crowd with thrill after thrill as he leaped high into the air to pass the ball to Lysski. Also the excellent passing of Tullis to Lysski picked up many one gains for the Scotties.

Lineups: Alma Western State
Ramsey LE Lynd
Abrahamson LE Taborn
Hoover IT Scianius
Toth RT Howland
Wilson LG Bilky
Tullis RG Chamberlain
Navarre C Gaeley
Lysski RH Leckta
Pink LH Williams
Penner QB Helder
Tait FB Swaze
Alma substitutions: Tullis, Higgins, Moore. First downs: Alma 9,

AIR CORPS

(Continued from page 1.)

alive, there will be a good chance to get into Trans-Atlantic air service which will become a reality following the war."

Ed. Arnold: The Air corps appeals to me. I don't care about going to war, here or there, and the training for this service takes longer. By the time you are trained, there is a possibility the war would be over."

Don Montgomery: "I'll take the Infantry. It's as good as any and I've had some training in this. I wouldn't go to war unless forced to do so."

Bob Higgins: "Coast Defense. It's farther from the front if the war is to be carried on in some foreign country."

Bob Hanzel: "I wouldn't go unless I had to. I'll take the Intelligence division. Anything in this type of service but spy work."

Clancy Hoogerland: "The Red Cross division. I'm going to be a doctor, and if I could come through a war, I'd have plenty of experience behind me. No war for me unless an invasion."

Bill Ginther: "Air Corps. It's a lot safer in the air than on the ground. I'd just as soon go to war today as not."

Charles Meach: "I wouldn't be in any war for experience or adventure. No desire to go. I'd select the Coast Artillery."

Rex Holmes: "The Navy. But I'm not keen about going. The Navy seems safer."

Carl Whalsten: "I like the sea so I'd choose the Navy. But no war."

Andy Horne: "Air corps. When your popped up there, you're usually done for. No war for me unless an invasion."

George Jordan: "Air Corps."

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