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## War Council Works With Red Cross

Although the main project of the War council this week is the bond and stamp drive, other activities are not being neglected.

Kay Peshke and Lois Fowler, in charge of cooperation with the local Red Cross chapter, have made a schedule for girls to cut and roll bandages. A group will be sent every Monday evening. A week ago, the Thetas worked and last night the KTs went down. Next week, it is the Sigma Phis' turn, and after that, the Independents will do their part.

### Program

In addition to the program being given for the Drama guild, others are being presented in answer to the letter circulated offering the council's services. Tomorrow, Dr. Unstad will speak on the economic background of the post-war peace before the Teachers club, and the Civic League has asked for talks on rationing and victory gardens for May 7.

## Warden and Rabbi to Speak Next Week

A deputy warden and a Jewish rabbi are to speak in chapel next week. Next Monday Mr. Francis, deputy warden of Jackson prison, will speak and show slides in the Old chapel.

Tuesday, Rabbi Jerome D. Folkman of Grand Rapids will speak about the Jewish church and its part in the present day struggle.

## Alma Man Sings In New York

Alma alumnus Elwyn Carter, baritone soloist of the First Presbyterian church in New York City, will substitute for Glenn Darwin, also of New York, at 8:30 p. m. this evening during the presentation of Bach's, "The Passion According to St. John," in the National City Christian church.

Mr. Carter, who was engaged by the Washington Choral society, will take over the role as the voice of Jesus in the oratorio. Musicians from the National Symphony orchestra will assist in the presentation.

## Remember the Dance Saturday Evening

## There are Bond, Campus Day Queens: Why Not Elect a King?

Bond queens, Campus Day queens, Homecoming queens—it's so confusing, isn't it? Have you ever wondered why these fair queens always reign alone without a king to share the glory? Sad but true—the male population of the college campus is sadly neglected in this respect. To bolster the ego and vanity of said males, let's compile a list of kings that might have been at Alma this year.

### Homecoming King

In the race for Homecoming king, a sweet, handsome frosh to rule his new alma mater for a day, "Pretty boy" Benson, ladies' man of the freshman class, ran away with the election. Following soon after this celebration, came the fierce race for the dainty "King of the Pigskin" crown. After a close, bitter struggle between their followers, "Sailor" Tait triumphed over his closest opponent, Bill Pink, to be crowned in a touching ceremony by chief fan, Ruth Miller.

### Mr. New Semester

The end of January finds many candidates seeking the coveted title of "Mr. New Semester." The most promising candidates seem

## To Give Readings Before Drama Guild Tonight

In response to the Alma College War council's announcement that patriotic programs were available to county groups desiring them, three students have been asked to present a program for the Drama Guild of Alma, this evening at 8:30. Mrs. Ralph Daniels is program chairman of the meeting, which will be at the home of Mr. Albert Hussine.

Dorothy Strauss will give excerpts from "White Cliffs" by Alice Duer Miller, and "Barbara Fritchie" by John Greenleaf Whittier. Shirley Wenger will give "Pat-terns" by Amy Lowell, and "Invictus" by William Earnest Henley. Edna St. Vincent Millay's "Lidice" will be given by Charles Kegel.

## Five Students Have Contracts for Fall

Five Alma students have already been placed for their teaching jobs next September. Kay Peshke is going to teach kindergarten, and Elizabeth Miller, high school English, at Comstock, Michigan. Silena Luchini is going to teach kindergarten at Ionia, and Connie Jordan is going to Newago to teach in the early elementary grades. Cliff Buchholz has signed a contract to teach music at Gladwin high school.

Six of the students have completed their requirements for graduation and are now teaching. Four who are in Saginaw are Helen Dehnke, who is teaching first grade; Lois Ritchie, mathematics; Doris Koppin and Lois Hawkins, elementary grades. Phyllis Koepfgen is teaching high school English at Perry, and Marian Carter, fifth grade in Alma.

## Julia Schaafsma Bosma to Return for Visit Soon

Mrs. Julia Schaafsma Bosma, former instructor in piano and music theory at Alma, is returning next week-end for a visit to her alma mater. Mrs. Bosma received her AB degree from Alma and her MA from the University of Michigan.

She left Alma last summer to wed Dr. Bosma of Cleveland, and has been working in a hospital there as a receptionist.

## Campus Day Not to be Rationed

There will be no rationing of Campus day celebrations this year! The program will have the same color and events as in years gone by, according to the student council. As an added attraction, there is an effort being made to have as many of the Campus day queens of the last ten years as possible present as guests.

### New Feature

There will also be an entirely new and unprecedented feature, the council announces. The two leading teams of the newly formed women's softball league will clash at Bahkke Field.

### Traditional Doings

Traditional activities will include the men's softball game, luncheon in the grove, crowning of the Campus day queen, and the frosh-soph tug o' war. The complete program of events will be announced later.

General co-chairman for the event, which will be May 19, the Miss Smith and Don Gillard. Working with them are Mrs. Roecker, Ann Clack, Shirley Wenger, and Jerry Duvendeck.

## Wright Hall Apron Sale and Tea to be May 6

The Wright hall girl's apron sale and tea will be May 6 in the dorm. Townspeople will be invited.

Mrs. Hutton reports that 40 aprons have been turned in to her, to date, and that she herself has made 15.

## Mae Nelson '36 Marries Sergeant

Mae Nelson, '36, was married Saturday afternoon at the Christian church in St. Louis to Sgt. Glen Stewart, of Peru, Illinois. Prof. Robert W. Clack read the service, and Miss Margaret Rands, '36, was maid of honor.

Mrs. Stewart won the Michigan Fellowship for 1936-7 and studied musical composition at Ann Arbor, receiving her Master's degree there in 1937. During the school year 1938-9 she assisted Miss Roberts and Miss Foley in music and French at Alma.

### Contest Winner

In 1939, her song cycle "Around the Year in Haiku" based on a set of 12 short poems by Prof. Clack in imitation of the Japanese, won first place in the national composer's contest conducted by the National Association of Music clubs. For the past three years, she has been head of musical education in the Battle Creek schools. She will continue her work there until the end of the year.

A program of several of her songs, sung by Lois Fowler, is planned for a chapel service soon.

## Student Council Plans for Future

Thursday at 4:45, the student council met on the lawn in front of the Ad building to discuss plans for campus day. The council will have charge of the softball championship game at 10:00 in the morning, the tug-of-war at 4:00 in the afternoon and the dance in the evening. Shirley Sharpe will be in charge of decorations for the dance, and the council is asking everyone to cooperate, if chosen on a committee.

John Mundell was elected treasurer to fill the vacancy left by Bob Ruehl. The council appropriated \$10.00 to the War Council for decorations for the dance to be held this week-end. The meeting adjourned at 5:15.

Notice—The council wants to make this Campus Day the best event of the second semester—so please cooperate with the council and make this day a success. Your council thanks you in advance for your support.

## Peshke Leads in Contest; Meyer is Runnerup

### War Bond Queen to be Crowned at Dance

Kay Peshke, senior, was leading in the Bond Queen contest at 2 yesterday afternoon. Lennie Meyer, junior, was second, with Mary Jo Furstenberg, Patt Williams, Helen Collins, and Norma Hass following.

### Closes Friday at 3

War stamps, which furnish the buyer with votes, are being sold in the War council office, in the Administration building. The contest will close Friday at 3 p. m. Don Gillard is in charge of the drive, which is a War council project.

The \$5,000 war bond quota for Alma college was more than topped yesterday afternoon when a \$10,000 bond was sold to bring the total to \$15,750. The stamps sold do not apply on that quota.

The bond queen will be crowned at a dance in the chapel rec room this Saturday evening, May 1,

from 9 to 12. Beulah Brace, general chairman, announces that the dance is for townspeople as well as for college students and faculty.

### Music and Decorations

Mary Catherine Bell is in charge of music. Ann Clack and Kay Peshke are planning the decorations, with the Student council footing the bill.

Amy Middleton and Mary Jean Coley are making posters, while Don Gillard will see about downtown publicity.

### Money Plus War Stamps

Sutherland Hayden is in charge of tickets, which will be sold at the door. Admission price will be 15c and a 25c War stamp for couples, and 15c and a 10c stamp for stags.

Bob Baker, Shirley Wenger, and Lennie Meyer will arrange for the crowning of the queen, which will be done by Prof. Hamilton.

## Teacher from India Gives Chapel Talk

The Rev. Howard E. Anderson of Saharanpur, India, addressed the student body in Dunning chapel this morning at 11:15. Teacher, preacher, author and editor, Mr. Anderson has had 23 busy years in India. Professor of New Testament Greek in North India United Theological college, he considers that his main calling is that of an evangelist, and that his success as a teacher hinges as much upon influencing the students as in teaching them Greek.

### Born in Iowa

Mr. Anderson was born in Iowa and was graduated from the state university of Iowa and Princeton theological seminary. In 1918 he went to India under the Presbyterian board of foreign missions and has been in the Punjab ever since.

### Traveler in India

Most of his years in India have been spent as a traveler, living among the people and learning to understand and love them. He has been stationed at Ludhiana, Khanna, Dehra Dun, and Saharanpur.

Mr. Anderson also addressed the annual spring luncheon of the Fortnightly society in the Presbyterian church dining room this afternoon at 1:30 o'clock.

## Seniors "Skip Out" Today and Surprise Others

This morning right after breakfast the stately seniors surprised everyone by picking up bag and baggage (well, some bags, anyhow) and climbing aboard their awaiting "autocaravan", left Alma and its amazed underclassmen gazing after them in awe. Their destination was "parts unknown," and "we won't be home until?"

Only evidence of their objective was an enormous lunch, containing unlimited delicacies, including innumerable and assorted sandwiches, potato salad, potato chips, hard cooked eggs, pickles, olives, cake, punch, etc, etc! Tch, tch, and senior skip day comes only once in the life of every collegian!

## Hamilton and Ellis Go to Central Michigan College

Acting president Roy W. Hamilton and business manager William Ellis met with President Charles Anspaugh and Dean Barnes at Central Michigan College of Education at 9 a. m. this morning for a conference concerning the adaptations of the college in relation to the coming of the Navy trainees July 1.

## Every Style, Color, and Material Appears in New Spring Apparel

One certainly wouldn't have known there was a war on if he had happened to meander around the vicinity of Wright hall last Sunday. All the gals really donned their Easter finery—(where they got some of it is a mystery, what with rationing and shortages).

### Navy Blue Prevails

Every style, color, and material was represented, but navy blue silk seemed to prevail, because everywhere one looked, there was someone with navy on. Take Lennie Meyer, for instance—with that scrumptious blue dress with the white stripe across the shoulder to give it the right military accent. Wonder if she got it to match Jack's soon-to-be-acquired uniform? Her corsage of white and yellow just set her outfit off to the "nth" degree.

### Rainbow of Colors

Then there was that two-piece yellow dress that Bonnie Taylor was sporting—the one with the fringe trimming. Pretty, wasn't it?

Gerry Wadley's suit struck the right spot in lots of gal's minds. Tall, slender Gerry in her plaid

green jacket and plain skirt—envy, envy!

Petite Janie Patton looked right pert in her new plaid suit. Couldn't count all the colors, but brown, green, and blue were there, anyway. Her rust accessories really matched, too.

Marion Carter, who was Miss Klein's guest at breakfast, was exclusive with her deep purple silk with the huge frilly collar.

Betty Fee was sporting quite an orchid on her light yellow tailored dress as she greeted the guests in the reception room before the Easter breakfast.

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## A Cappella Choir to Sing at High School

The Alma a cappella choir will sing at a PTA meeting at the Alma high school next Tuesday, May 4. Trips to Vestaburg, Grand Rapids, and Detroit are being planned in the near future.

Definite plans have not yet been laid for the annual choir trip, but it will probably be late in May, according to Mr. Grove, director.

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## Are We Apart from the World?

College students and professors are many times accused of leading a sheltered and cloistered existence "comfortably removed from the dust and heat of everyday life." This accusation has been made specifically in relation to this current war; and, we must admit, to a certain extent, that this is true!

If it is true to any extent, college people must use every medium available to obliterate this conception. If college personnel and college life are to take their rightful place in American democracy, they must become more closely aligned with the political and economic movements of the times.

Your Cooperative council has established the Alma College War council. This council has made definite plans for the furtherance of the war effort. The sale of war bonds and stamps, the purchasing of flags and plaques, the establishment of a community speaker's bureau and many other projects have already been promulgated. Each student and faculty member, by contributing to the activities and projects of this organization, will be making a real and tangible contribution to the biggest job that has ever been placed before us. Here is our opportunity to obliterate this faulty conception held by many people that the personnel of American education is complacent and far removed from the reality of our day.

—Wesley Rowland, Co-Chairman of the War Council

## Alma Takes Her Place in the War

"To the vast undergraduate body throughout America the campus is an intense and deliberate preliminary battle station." A recent pamphlet entitled, "What the Colleges are Doing," in which the above statement appears, tells something of the changes brought to the nation's colleges by the war.

It tells of accelerated programs, of increased emphasis on technical and scientific subjects, of Army and Navy men invading the college campus—and in a comparison, we find that Alma college is becoming ever more typical of the college today.

Here, students are taking extra hours so they can graduate in three years; both men and women are concentrating on mathematics, physics, and chemistry; college facilities will soon be used by over 200 Navy men, who will be given specialized training for future service; and the entire student body and faculty are beginning to cooperate in putting over an all-out war-aid program.

Alma college is a small liberal arts school, but just as surely as are the universities of the nation, she and the others like her, are becoming "preliminary battle stations." They form one more line in the educational battle front which will do such a vital part in winning both the war and the peace.

## Stand by for the Service Edition

Next week there will be a special service edition of the Almanian, sponsored by the Alma College War council, and devoted entirely to news of Alma men and women in the armed services and of the war work here on the campus front. It is intended to give Alma's men in the services news about each other and about their Alma mater, and to help us all realize more fully the scope of Alma's participation in the war effort.

As in any other undertaking, cooperation will be necessary. The Almanian staff is particularly eager to have news about alumni and former students serving their country, and desires excerpts of letters from the fellows. Through the letters, it will be possible to catch up on the news of "what they're doing" and "how they like it." All contributions should be given to the editor by Saturday in order to assure publication.

And to the service men, we say: Stand by for your own edition of the Almanian next week.

# CAMPUS COMMENT

Editor's note: The response to Campus Comment has been good. Let's have some more of you air your opinions next week—on these or other questions.

Dear Hostesses:  
"Chew, chew, chew your food, gently at each meal."  
That was the saying of yesterday.

Now it's: "Gulp, gulp, gulp, 'cause tomorrow it might be rationed." So some of the people have to hurry—or do they?—I can remember when I was a civilian and our hostesses talked 'till everyone was through eating, and then—they began to nibble. And then there are the ones who hand the swipes the plates one at a time. This, sure as sunshine, doesn't make the swipes' job any faster! I wish the hostesses had to eat with the swipes some day at noon. They'd see how fast the swipes must eat, after setting up their tables!

Of course it's not all on one side, and the swipes are in a stew to get out of the dining-room and into the reception room, some nights. I think that all that is necessary is a little consideration on both sides, instead of just gripin'.  
Peter A. Swipe.

### Why The Gripping

To the Editor:  
Doggone it, I'm plenty mad. There are certain kids here who think that all that's important is gripping and yelling about conditions here.

They complain about the food. I think the kitchen staff and Miss Miller are doing a marvelous job in giving us such swell meals in spite of rationing and shortages. When I was home, Mom had an awful time trying to get meat and butter. Here we have plenty of everything. Three cheers for our kitchen brigade, including the swell service the swipes are now giving us.

And they gripe about the rules. If we didn't have certain rules and regulations here, this place would be unfit to live in. It's got to be quiet and there must be closing hours. We owe our support to Senate members. They are responsible for this dorm and if all isn't right, they get the blame.

Can't we pitch in and help? This "Righteous" hall would be a lot better if each one thought about improving it instead of just griping.

Someone Who Wants to Help.

### You've Got Something There

Dear Fellow '45,  
I think maybe you've got something there when you say that we should be spending our efforts on a more noble end than decorating the reception room for the benefit of the Navy.

We girls may have to live elsewhere next fall. Perhaps we'd better find out where, and then spend our money to help furnish or redecorate there, where there is bound to be much more need for it than in Wright hall as far as we are concerned.

Someone Involved.

### Answer to N B Senate

To "One of the Boys":  
You have an excellent suggestion that the girls be given later permission, but unfortunately there is nothing the Wright Hall senate can do about it. Their powers are delegated through the Dean of Women. That's what the score is.

In regards to being the governing body, the senate is little more than a farce. It is merely a policing system used to carry out rules and regulations made by a higher authority. Why don't the girls take up the issue in a body?  
One Who Knows.

### Use the Buzzer System

To whom it may concern:  
The girls in Wright Hall who were termed by a certain unknown contributor of this column as "hard to get" wish to defend their position in the issue under consideration.

Did he ever hear of the buzzer system? We have yet to see the girl who did not pay heed to this very convenient method of communication. If a guy would like to have a little feminine company after the evening meal, he may merely make the suggestion in the customary manner, and we are sure there will any number of very attractive companions who will be only too glad to have a pleasant chat with him.  
But, as for the girls taking the

## Reporter Gives Bird's Eye View of Easter Morning Breakfast

This is your Almanian reporter to tell you all about the Easter breakfast. It is one of the things we look forward to each year, and this year it was lovelier than ever with . . . Lois (carnation in her hair) Fowler singing "I Heard a Forest Praying" . . . Harry (we should have him sing more often) Morley giving us the beautiful "How Lovely Are Thy Dwellings," and Norma Lincoln reading the Scripture.

The food was super-grapefruit, baked eggs in bacon rings, apple fritters, and sweet rolls topped off with coffee and grape jam.

## Phis Give Their Week in Review

Last week, at the Manor of Phi Phi Alpha of Philadelphia street, (due west from where the girls take their sun baths) all the fellows spent most of their time, doing stuff they should have done before, (cramming for exams).

On Monday a dreary, cold day. All the fellows were mumbling mild words about the tests they were going to have later on in the week. Baker got out ole man Webster's book to brush up on his vocabulary before the Marine exam. (Yah, Baker's a Marine).

Tuesday—a day remembered by the Marines. PFC Mundell will be known as Pvt. Mundell after this day. Nisbet bragged all day, 'cause he was the only Marine who didn't need to take the test (You're lucky Nisbet, 'cause you would have lost your stripe, too).

Wednesday—quiet all morning 'cause everybody has classes—so there was nobody in the Manor except the mouse that ate Crimmins' cookies. In the afternoon, the fellows mumbled mild words (this time they had had the tests). Their new motto: "You can't get a perfect paper every time."

Thursday—this is Gabby's day—he has only one class—religion, and he really likes it—his Prof. just misunderstands him, he says.

Friday—Phi Phi Alpha wishes to thank the administration for the lovely vacation (nobody ever has a Friday afternoon class). Heimforth—the sinner—worked all afternoon in the lab.

Saturday—everybody went back to class—well rested after their lovely vacation. Today, Barney taught the fellows a few words they wouldn't learn in Spanish class. As you walk by the establishment the boys ask you to notice how clean the windows are.

Sunday—everybody worked at the Easter breakfast. Then, the whole fraternity journeyed to the Easter morning service. Again, in the afternoon the fellows returned to their books to maintain their high scholastic average.

Notes from here and there . . . the mouse that ate Crimmins' cookies is 'Buck' Clifholz. All week everyone conducted a personal man hunt for a pair of field glasses (the better to see you with—my dear)!!!

## Webb, and Pvts. Lint and Wickman Visit Phis

Phi Phi Alpha had three former Alma students pay visits during last week. Willard Webb, '41, former Phi president, who is now teaching mathematics in Hazel Park, stopped for a short get-together. After swapping tales about the good times he had on Alma's campus, he made a brief tour of inspection of the Philadelphia Manor, and said the place looked the best he had ever seen it.

Pvt. Carl Wickman, former junior and Pvt. Bob Lint, ex-sophomore were back last Saturday on week-end passes from the Army Meteorology School at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor.

initiative, we are definitely against the idea. You can't just stand around looking like you were waiting for a street car or something in the reception room, because they haven't run a line through there yet. If a girl has any idea that her waiting may not be in vain, she will undoubtedly be there, however. So, you guys, speak up. We're agreeable.  
One of the girls.

### In The Crowd

We noticed in the crowd Jack Stuart, the only soldier around . . . the two Betty's who were holding their own with the biggest orchids we've seen in a long time . . . Mother Hutton looking real summery in her becoming white outfit . . . Rama, who deserves a lot of credit for working so hard on the programs and decorations . . . Bonnie Taylor, looking glamorous with her dark skin . . . Marge Kuehn and her red, red shoes . . . and Betty Hamilton's cute Easter bonnet.

### Visiting Mothers

The presence of so many of the mothers added an extra festive touch to the affair. Nancy Wau-chek, Phyl Yunker, Patt Williams and Montie were the proud daughters. Jo Anne had her brother here—did you notice how much they look alike?

It seemed good to see the Dean up and around again and we think her sister is very nice.

All in all, we think the breakfast was a success, and now we ask, "Why don't we do this more often?"

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BARTON McLANE and  
CHARLOTTE WYNTERS in  
"Man of Courage"

# Softball Schedule is Ready for Playoffs

## Inter-Fraternity and Pioneer Teams Are All Set For Contest to Begin

Monday evening was the first night that a play-off game between fraternity teams for the 1943 season was played. The games are to be played on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays at 6:45; and because the time is short, five innings will be played instead of the usual nine.

Coach Macdonald and Jack Mundell will supervise the contests, with the final championship game scheduled for Campus day. Team combinations for games have been arranged alphabetically; and it is hoped that the boys won't feel the loss of former players now in the armed services too badly.

Games to be played off are scheduled as follows:

Apr. 26, Monday, Delts vs. Pioneer  
Apr. 27, Tuesday, Phis vs. Zetas  
Apr. 29, Thursday, Phis vs. Pioneer

May 3, Monday, Delts vs. Phis  
May 4, Tuesday, Zetas vs. Pioneer  
May 6, Thursday, Delts vs. Zetas

May 10, Monday, Phis vs. Pioneer  
May 11, Tuesday, Zetas vs. Delts  
May 13, Thursday, Phis vs. Delts

May 17, Monday, Delts vs. Pioneer  
May 18, Tuesday, Phis vs. Zetas  
May 19, Wednesday, Campus Day  
Championship Game, 10:00.

An unscheduled Zetas vs. Pioneer Game will be played on some Wednesday which will be suitable to captains of both teams.

Softball fans are invited to watch the games which are played off on Bahlke Field behind the gym.

### "Casey" Announces Sigma Phi Lineup

Ruth "Casey" Edwards, captain of the Sigma Phi softball team, has announced the probable starting lineup for that sorority. The players and their positions are Wilkie, pitcher; Titus, catcher; Traphagen, first base; Slating, second base; Stevens, third base; Baney, left shortstop; Sanford, right shortstop; Edwards, left field; Mason, center field; and Kuehn, right field.

Subs will be Feighner, Hines, Jones, Peterson, and Richter. Practice will be held every Saturday p. m. from 4 to 5.

"You'd better be there to practice—or else!" warns Casey.

### Broom Hockey Requires Roller Skating Rink

Broom hockey has just been added to the list of group sports as a new game offering fun not only to those who take part but spectators as well.

Equipment is simple—only a broom, an inflated basketball, and roller skates are necessary. It's an "informal version of ice hockey" which means spills and tumbles and loads of laughter.

Skill in the game rests entirely upon one's skating ability; and the object is to score a goal by striking the ball with the broom while on skates.

With more evenings destined to be spent near home than ever before, neighborhood rinks will probably be quite the meeting place. It is a shame Alma lacks one!

### PRAYER OF A SPORTSMAN

Bralley has put into words what every sportsman feels on all occasions but which he fails to express outwardly. May every Alma sportsman always live up to his prayer...

"Dear Lord, in the battle that goes through life,  
I ask but a field that is fair;  
A chance that is equal with all in the strife,  
A courage to strive and to dare,  
If I should win, let it be by the code  
With my faith and my honor held high.  
If I should lose, let me stand by the road  
And cheer as the winners go by!"  
Bralley—

## STARS IN SERVICE

## Co - Rec

### Swat That Fly

With balmy breezes of spring hitting Alma's campus, we find that the captains of the sororities and Independent baseball teams have planned to meet the first of this week to get started playing off games for the championship title. With a sneak preview at the lists of names of the different teams, we'd say that quite a battle is going to be staged among the girls of the Hall. Hidden away in dark corners about this place we've found many a gal practising up on her swing and pitching arm. With the fellows and their teams and now the girls and their teams, we wonder who are going to be the stars from among the lot... we suggest you pull out your little crystal ball and start guessing.

### Cupid Uses a Bow Too

It has been announced by Miss Smith that anyone who wishes to enter the archery contest should sign up immediately. We see very few of the students have taken notice of being able to borrow archery equipment for the week-end. Don't fail to do so for every minute that you can devote to it will improve your skill without a doubt. If you don't know how to shoot, someone will be glad to show you the tricks.

## Sport-alities

### Dale

Dale Arthur Wares, figuratively born with a football in his hand, is a popular and typical Joe College, who hails from Traverse City, better known as "Cherry land."

Looking back on Dale's high school days, we can't help but say, that they were certainly flavored "con athletics." He was a three-year member of the football squad, having been made captain during his senior year; played basketball for two years, being highpoint man and the only soph among seniors when T.C.H. beat state Class B champs (on this same team starred Jack Hensel and Jack Heimforth); ran track for three years; and ended up being a nine-letter man and member of the National Honor society. One of the happiest moments of his life was when he was made waterboy for Coach Macdonald at the time he was teaching in Traverse.

There athletic days didn't end upon graduation from high school, for here in college Freshman Dale has competed in varsity football, basketball, and track. Aside from the above he plays tennis, swims, and is present pitcher for the Delta Gamma Tau fraternity.

A member of the Marine Corps, he now has his doubts whether he'll ever get to be an engineer.

He loves to loaf in overalls and a sweat shirt; gorge on pepsi-cola; and EAT—just anything; bring on the grub and he'll do the gobblin'. He raves continuously about "Bonnie" (was Fuzz worried until she found out it was a dog); chemistry, his favorite class; and comic magazines.

All in all Dale is a reserved fellow, likes hard work, and is as serious about his sports as he is about his studies.

### College life has followed somewhat the same path for Gerry.

She was one of the three freshmen girls to receive the Athletic Award last year for participating in all sports. She is also a member of Coach Mac's coaching class; and once a week she goes to the Lincoln school to instruct a class in games. At the present time she is on the WAA executive board and is chairman of individual sports. Gerry is a member of Alpha Theta.

Gerry's aim is to become a physical instructor in the WAVES. After that she wants to return to teach physical education in the schools. With this in mind for the future we wish Gerry loads of luck for success.

### Early 'Til Late

Tennis, the only game at the moment, it seems, is drawing crowds from six in the morning until eight at night. Quite a number of energetic students around! If enough are interested, Miss Smith would be willing to organize a tournament among the girls with possibilities of a mixed-doubles one as well. What say you voice your opinion?

Did you notice the picture of Col. Frank Knox in Life magazine for April 26? It showed the Alma college football squad of '95, of which Knox was captain.

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### Gerry

Since the eventful day of January 28, 1923, in Saginaw, Michigan, Gerry Wadley has lived her life wholly in the athletic world. As a little girl of five, she was taught to swim under the guiding supervision of her father. With this excellent instruction, Gerry became a life guard, spending her summer months as such at a crippled children's camp, along with being counsellor for three years of Senior Camp Fire Girls.

Intermediate school found Gerry in every sport possible, including track. In high school she was captain of the baseball and basketball teams; and for these accomplishments she was awarded her school letter "S" of which she is very proud.

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### SONJA HENIE, TONDELAYO AND EASTER BUNNY ATTEND WAA PARTY FRIDAY

In spite of the fact that many of the girls in the dorm were home for the Easter week-end, the WAA "Guess Who I Am" party Friday was a lot of fun. Of course, a gang of girls can't get together without having a grand time, and this was no exception. Co-chairmen of the affair were Gerry (Eileen Wills) Wadley and Dotie (Van Fasting) Strauss. These dynamic personalities kept things moving along at a fine pace, while the girls played cards and games or danced.

#### South Sea Island Girls

The unique costumes that turned up ought to receive mention. Miss Klein in the true spirit of the season became an Easter Bunny, while Mary Anne made a very flashy Tondelayo (incidentally she won the prize for the best costume). Janie Patton, who wore a deep style sarong, also was very nice as a South Sea island Miss.

#### More Famous People

Milham and the two Fisher girls came as the three Andrews sisters, and looked as cute as could be singing, "The Three Little Fishes," if you can remember that far back. Tex and Findlayson came as that well known couple, Dale and Fuzz. Their costumes were complete even to the babushka and crew cap. Phil Babcock didn't have to step far out of character to represent Sonya Henie. Well, that gives you an idea of the wide variety of celebrities present.

The evening closed after Rama and Lois got out of choir practice long enough to bring the cookies and ice cream back. Every one certainly had their fill of food, say those who were there.

#### Try Reading . . .

In spring, one not only finds adventure out-of-doors, but there is adventure in reading also—so why not combine the two and take a book along in the wide open spaces?

Journey to the World's End by Mielche is a gayly written, humorously illustrated account of the author's travels to Tierra del Fuego, which is a strange unknown part of the earth's surface. Here, one sees wild animals, strange people, and beautiful country.

In the early 20's, Cornelia Otis Skinner and a friend took a trip abroad. Their unusual and highly amusing adventures are told in the book, "Our Hearts Were Young and Gay."

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Happy day after the day after Easter, everyone . . . Now we're heading down the home stretch with only five week-ends to go, and we don't like it a bit . . . but nobody asked us what we liked so we'll get down to business . . .

The Easter breakfast was just as impressive as usual . . . the dining room looked like a flower garden with all the corsages and new print dresses . . . In spite of the fact that half of the gang were home for Sunday, there were over a hundred guests present . . . . . Wauchek, Patty, Yunker, and Monteith had their parents up . . . . . Fisher's attractive young sister was here, and also Jo Hardy's young brother (they look a lot alike, don't they?) Hearing Harry Morley sing was a pleasant surprise. Where has he been keeping his talents? . . . . . Poor Rama really worked about the hardest getting things ready for the big occasion . . . . . She spilled a whole bottle of ink, making the most unusual design in her rug . . . Then along came Lennie to sit on another bottle of ink and make a corresponding design on the other side . . . . . But the attractive programs were well worth the trouble.

Outside of the normal run of events such as Monteith getting burned to a shade we'd call ripe tomato red . . . and Bowman and Lull carrying on on a platonic basis—they tell us . . . or people hanging from their heels outside polishing their windows so they can tell when the sun comes up . . . . there were a few noteworthy items that occurred this week . . . . . Nesbit and Mundell seem to have hit their stride, and even B. Baker is stepping out these days . . . . . Bob Rodgers was seen escorting the charming Miss Findlayson . . . . . MacCarty finally got her frat pin—Congratulations, kids . . . .

One of the Phis was a bit embarrassed Friday night after the WAA party when a committee presented him with a sample of the refreshments . . . . . He was overcome by their friendly gesture, we guess . . . . . Dona Peterson caused a little excitement by trying to burn up the right wing of the dorm . . . . not on purpose of course, but Bugs Rowell and Grace Stevens saved the day by realizing that where there's smoke there's fire . . . . so they went in and pulled out the iron plug . . . . and saved the dorm for another week . . . . Bye now . . . .

#### Variety of Easter Styles (Continued from Page 1)

#### Hats—and More Hats

Speaking of guests—they were wearing quite a variety of hats. Especially popular were those hats with lots of flowers and veils—they looked so nice and spring-like—especially for a day that started out to be dull and disappointing.

As one walked down the street to church, he could see a panorama of color on the backs of co-ed heads. There were seven colors in one group—red, white, green, yellow, beige, pink and all shades of blue.

Allison Smith and Helen Olander looked like twins in their light blue chesterfields with rust accessories.

#### Patt's Clever

Patt Williams was the clever one as she has a mother who makes her Easter outfit. With a jumper of beige silk and blouse of beige jersey with big green and yellow flowers on it, Patt outdid herself. It's amazing what some people can do with a pattern, some material, thread and scissors.

#### Don't Forget the Men

So far, the poor forgotten men (what few there are) haven't even been mentioned. Some were sporting brand new ties. Maybe they have the right idea after all—too much fuss is a lot of bother—and just think of all the War bonds and stamps the girls might have bought with the savings.

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#### HATS, DESCRIBED BY A MERE MALE

Other day was Easter so we drug ourselves off to church. We got out our best suits, but we didn't wear a hat—but lots of others did. Right now, we're wondering how Lydia made out in the fifth. (Lydia, you gotta lose weight, if you want to be a jockey). Jean Patton sat right across the aisle from us, and if we were you, Jean, —we'd feel awful guilty; you have enough fish net on that hat of yours to hold a couple ton of salmon, and our soldiers need lots of salmon.

Saw ole Pattie 'pill box' Williams, but pill boxes are out, now, so she ought to get one that looks like a gun turret. Yup, now we can understand why Dr. Moffet is been given' you kids yellow sheets (of paper for tests) his wife took all the white ones and made them into a spring bonnet. That's nice, one a chemist the other an inventor, and ail in same family!

Then, there's the lady that sat right in front of us. She was a chubby little woman, plenty wide, but her hat was wider. Saw a tag on it, so we knew it as new; it said "Dobbs." Those are good hats, but it blew off as soon as she got in the wind. The tag still said "Dobbs," but it was Dobbs Five and Ten, Ceiling Price 59 cents.

And did you notice ex-Almanian and local schoolmarm Marian Carter with her spring lid? We're just wonderin' where she found enough purple cloth to make that bonnet.

A lady a couple of rows back had utilized a leaky coal scuttle and called it millinery!! Then there was an elderly character who must have thought hats were rationed like most everything else, and beat her husband to the golf bag! This made a rather long hat, but she had a rather long face to go with it. About the only two kinds of ladies' headwear we didn't see were military hats, or any sensible ones. Well, that's the way it goes. As long as a lady has a dollar, there will always be bad investments, say, in such things as new Easter bonnets!

By the bye, just what could you call that creation of Spalsbury's

#### Lee Clack is Promoted to Ensign, USNR

Lee Clack '42 of the USNR has been promoted from the rank of pharmacist third class to that of ensign. Ensign Clack, who has been in the navy since August 1942, received training at Chicago and Port Angeles, Washington. At present, he is at Fort Schuyler, New York.

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