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trustee to address CHAPEL MONDAY

The Reverend Dr. John Gardner, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Midland, and a member of the Alma College Board of Trustees will be the guest chapel speaker next Monday morning, March 10.

Gardner is a member of the Michigan Synod Special Committee on the Christian Service Center.

He will speak on "The Christian Service Center" on Monday, March 11. President K. W. Hamilton will conduct the chapel program.

Today's News . . .

The prospect of American aid to Britain in maintaining Greek stability and southern Europe's democratic frontier brought renewed protests from Democratic Congressmen against any cuts in the military budget.

Chairman Taft (R. O.) of the Senate Republican Policy Committee declared, however, that it will affect neither the Republican plans for budget slashes nor those for income-tax reductions.

Taft, like most legislators, declined to commit himself on the shift of traditional policy which an active role in Greece would spell for this country, pending further information.

An official announcement of the proposal may be made this week in a major speech President Truman is to deliver Thursday en route home from Mexico.

Or it may be included in a statement by Secretary of State George C. Marshall to be issued after he leaves Wednesday for the Foreign Ministers' meeting at Moscow.

There probably also will be a presidential message to Congress requesting the necessary funds when the estimates are completed and further details worked out.

The House voted underwriting of British commitments in Greece is reported authoritatively to call for \$250,000,000 for this year.

Any American armament that would be required for Greece or for Turkey, however, probably could be supplied readily from Army surplus stores, much of it already overseas.

Rep. Cannon (Mo.) and Vinson (Ga.), ranking Democrats on the House Appropriations and Armed Forces Committees, were among those insisting that the military estimates be left untouched in view of the Greek situation.

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STUDENT OPINION

by Bill McMillan

The seeds of war are once again about the earth, and in the jealousy among nations, the extreme nationalism of the people, and the bitter hatreds which are the spawn of the last great struggle, we see the fertile ground upon which the seed will fall, sprout and grow again we will find ourselves involved in a great struggle, nay, an even greater struggle the horror of which are beyond my poor powers of description. Can we allow this new and even more terrible atomic war to grow at our feet? I think not. If we will observe we will see that the conditions are similar if not the same as those which gave rise to a man like Hitler and allowed him to plunge the world into a roaring inferno from which we have so recently emerged.

Many solutions have been offered and all about is heard talk of World Government. Brotherhood of man and the like. Yet nowhere have I seen the response to the call which would warrant much optimism on our parts. The world is too greedy and self-tend, too intent on its own gain and endeavoring to save its skin to do much worrying about the other guy. This desire may be there in a latent form but unless it can manifest itself to the point where it will be a blessing for it is of little use.

One of the reasons that I feel this power does not try to make itself known is as I have mentioned before, jealousy among nations. This jealousy makes itself known

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Miner, Wessel In Oratory Finals

Doris Miner and Grant Wessel of Saginaw will represent Alma College in the annual Michigan Intercollegiate Speech Association State Oratory Contest to be held at Western Michigan College at Kalamazoo on Friday, March 7. Miss Miner and Mr. Wessel will compete against 10 other colleges for the opportunity to represent the State of Michigan in the State Oratorical Contest to be held at Northwestern University in April.

Miss Miner will orate on "Facing Fear" while Mr. Wessel's oration is entitled "The Price of Peace."

A special banquet is being planned this year in conjunction with the contest as this is the 50th anniversary of Men's Oratory in the State of Michigan. Several former Directors of Oratory will be attending the banquet including President and Mrs. Roy W. Hamilton of Alma. Dr. and Mrs. Frederick McKay of Michigan State Normal, and the Reverend Frederick S. Goodrich of Albion College.

Competing schools in the contest include Albion, Alma, Calvin, Central Michigan, Hope, Kalamazoo, Michigan Normal, Michigan State, Wayne and Western Michigan. Winners of 1st, 2nd and 3rd in each contest will receive gold, silver and bronze medals respectively.

The complete schedule of events include:

8:45 General meeting and registration

9:10- Preliminary contest for men and women

12:15- Luncheon

2:45- Final Women's Contest

6:00 50th Anniversary Banquet

8:00- 50th Annual Men's Final Contest

Professors Westley Rowland and Alvin Eldersveld will accompany the orators and will serve as critic judges in the various contests.

Rumors On Tax Law Confusing

From all indications, there are many conflicting reports being circulated by various individuals regarding the liability of veterans of World War II with respect to their income taxes.

The income tax laws with respect to veterans were changed at various times during the war and the best advice we can give any veteran is that he correspond with the Collector of Internal Revenue, Detroit, regarding his income tax status.

Any veteran wishing assistance in making out his current income tax return can obtain it by calling at the veterans' information center above the police station, Alma. Any other questions which a veteran might have regarding insurance, education, out-patient treatment, terminal leave, etc., will be gladly answered by the counselor, C. R. Robinson.

70 COUPLES ATTEND SOPH SHUFFLE SAT.

The annual "Soph Shuffle," semi-formal presented by the Sophomore Class was held Saturday night in the Memorial Gymnasium. Over 70 couples danced to the music of Jack Tobin's Orchestra.

A South Sea Island theme prevailed, with colorful decorations. A false ceiling of multi-colored pastel crepe paper stripes did much to add to the pleasant atmosphere. The orchestra was set up in one corner, with a background of pine boughs. Artificial trees with palm leaves were also utilized as decorations.

In the center of the false ceiling was a box, tiled with various colors, which were released during the dance.

Cokes were served for refreshment.

GI ENROLLMENT SHORT OF PEAK

Detroit Although one out of every three World War II veterans

in Michigan have made application for education or job-training benefits administered by the Veterans Administration, enrollment is still far short of its peak, a survey by the VA predicts.

The Detroit Regional Office today reported that as of February 1, a total of 201,025 of the state's 507,124 World War II veterans had applied for education training under the GI Bill of the Vocational Rehabilitation Act for Disabled Veterans.

Less than half of those who applied were enrolled in schools or job-training courses on February 1. Of the state's 28,831 disabled veterans who applied for education or training, 9,305 actually were enrolled as of February 1. Of the 172,194 veterans who had applied under the GI Bill, 83,800 were enrolled.

Under the GI Bill, education or job-training may be started up to four years after the official end of the war or the date of discharge, whichever is later. Disabled veterans eligible for education or training under Public Law 10 face no specific deadline, but they must complete their training within nine years after the end of the war.

The number of disapproved applications totalled 1,081 as of February 1, including 655 under the Vocational Rehabilitation Act and 423 under the GI Bill.

Smoking Problem Increases Daily

Dr. Paul Rice, Dean of Men, in a letter received by the ALMANTAN editor for publication, deplores the lack of cooperation of both

the administration and the student body in declaring that the present policy is still on trial, he asked that all work together so that the administration need make no rule that would seem to be dictatorial. The matter rests in the hands of the student.

The letter, as received by the ALMANTAN is printed in full for the information of all.

An Open letter to the Student Body of Alma College:

Until a year ago there was a rule and tradition against smoking on the Alma College campus, but smoking was permitted at certain designated places indoors. In response to what appeared to be a general desire for a liberalization of the rules the faculty voted to

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Editorial

Dr. Josiah V. Roth, Dean of Religion of Alma College, made the initial contribution in the local drive for money for the Restoration Fund. This represented a penny a meal for each member of his family since Thanksgiving day, a total of ten dollars.

Now, the students and faculty of Alma college are being asked to contribute at least one penny for each meal during Lent.

The Restoration Fund is designed to rebuild the churches of Europe, many of which were reduced to rubble in the late conflict. The task is monumental and will take a great deal of money. Present goal of the national organization is set at \$27,000,000. Local contributions are voluntary, with no goal set, but it is hoped that Alma College will make a contribution of which it can be proud.

As outlined in *Faces and Places* of the ALMANIAN, Containers have been placed in the Wright Hall dining room, the ball-duty office, as well as in the building.

Containers in the ad building, directly above the various organizations are listed upon the wall. The amount collected by each organization will be figured on a percentage basis of the total number of people in each organization.

lighted cigarette in the mouth when walking in the halls is not smoking indoors, but it certainly does not constitute a display of whole-hearted cooperation with the spirit of the regulations. There are few, if any, on the faculty and the Administrative staff who feel that smoking is a moral issue, but all would agree that the practice should be carried on only in certain locations and situations.

Signed: PAUL L. RICE, Dean of Men.

JUKE BOX

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A business manager for the Scotsman, was also discussed, and it was voted to let Peyton Millhenn, Yearbook editor, choose his own business manager, and the council would then approve the appointment.

Doug Holland, Junior Class representative brought up the subject of Chapel procedure, mentioning that students are still leaving by the side aisles, contrary to the plan listed by Dr. Paul Rice in a recent talk to the students. A monitor system was suggested, and Doug was appointed by the council to check this plan with Dr. Rice.

A report from Ted Emery, freshman class representative, was read, in which he stated that he had the complete measurements and materials for two trophy cases, which would be constructed locally.

It was noted that some students on campus, especially those new to the college this semester, did not know of the duties of the Student Council and the Co-op Council. A motion was made to ask the ALMANIAN editor to print the functions of the two councils in the next issue of the school paper.

:: Greek Gab ::

ALPHA THETA

Everything from goons to "Gloomy Sunday" were seen at the first rushing party given by Alpha Theta, Friday, February 28. Girls were met at the door with the Luther, Black gog of "Mars or Bust".

Charades started off the evening's entertainment after which the costumes were judged. From among the many amusing and original costumes, Audrey Kneal's interpretation of "Gloomy Sunday" was awarded first prize and Marion Michael's "Morton's Salt Girl" took second place. Several girls were awarded honorable mention. Bev Winston and Jan Hockett who portrayed each other, and Sue Brede and Jane Herrod who came as camp counselors were outstanding.

Everyone then participated in a Grand March followed by dancing to the music of the juke box and playing bridge. To climax the evening, butterscotch sundaes were served.

The next rushing party is the spread to be held Thursday night. Alpha Theta wishes to thank the representatives of the other sororities for attending their masquerade.

KAPPA KEEKS

An informal meeting of the Kappa Iota Sorority was held Monday and plans were made for rushing parties. The gals are finding lots to do as rushing daws nearer. Along with our three rushing parties, plans are being made for our traditional coffee for male members of the faculty to be held March 5th.

After sorority meeting a round robin letter was started to Barbara Milham who is still in Grand Rapids hospital.

The finishing touch was at last given to our room when the pledges finished their pillows.

PHILO-PHILINS

This is our busy week, with two rushing parties to be given. The first, our closed party, is to be given as a tea on Wednesday night, March 5. Our open party will be held on Friday evening, March 7.

The entire sorority is quite excited as they have been informed that the Phi Kappa Theta chapter is to be established at Alma College.

getting much sleep, but then pledging times comes but once a semester, and we do want to make sure that all are properly initiated.

Can think of nothing more horrible for Hubler to put the pledges through, than to make them listen to that 11 a.m. (Sunday) program on the radio.

Harold Hartt promises that his "new son" will trade "swats" with his "old son". And his "new son" is not a little feller either!

We're proud to see so many new fellows signing up with the Phis. This crop of pledges, 27 in all, is the largest group to pledge to a fraternity in the history of Alma College.

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ANSWERS TO Test Your I. Q.

1. Yes. For instance, troops in the U. S. receive 3200 to 3600 calories a day, but in cold Alaska, 4200.
2. The Indian Moslems' plan for an independent Moslem state within India.
3. The giraffe, for grasping leaves of tall trees.
4. Apparently not. History has it that he wooed three girls before he was accepted.
5. An interlude, usually a few seconds of music, in a speaking or dramatic program.

Faces and Places . . . R. Jay Smith

Listening to Dean Mitchell's reminiscences of early Alma College days suggested my topic for this week.

Some of you will remember Jess W. Ewer, choir director and professor of music but better known as "Prof" to all the students. He knew every student by name and also their parents whom he would never fail to inquire about. On the choir trips "Prof" was just one of the bunch and he always had a joke better than the last right on the tip of his tongue. It was when he took the choir stand and had given the preparatory beat that he became the artist and a master director with keen control over a gang of kids who loved him like a father. It was indeed a sad day when "Prof" left Alma after being here for nineteen years. The entire student body marched to the station to see him off. There wasn't a dry eye in the crowd and as the Alma Mater was being sung and the train pulled away, even "Prof's" eyes were a little puffed and red.

Who doesn't remember Charles D. Brokenshire with at least a faint smile? He was a friendly and unpretentious professor of philosophy and classical languages at Alma for twenty-nine years. Uncle Charlie, as he was called, opened each one of his classes with the Lord's Prayer. Book-laden shelves were on every wall in his little unpainted house across from Pioneer Hall. The students who lived with Uncle Charlie found it difficult to get used to his daily diet of warm milk and crunched toast.

Professor Theodore Shriver could probably have taught any course offered at Alma College. He possessed a very universal mind and considered learning about the

only excuse for living. He was usually late for his German class, but his approach was always obvious by his declining German verb forms long before he actually entered the class room.

Two great scientific professors at Alma were Dr. Wilford Kaufman of the Chemistry department and Dr. H. M. MacCurdy of the Biology department. The great abundance of scientific knowledge accumulated by these two men had actually softened and mellowed them. Dr. Kaufman would state that he seemed to possess two minds with a partition running down the middle. One consisted of cold scientific knowledge and data which he used mostly in the class room and the other of unfathomable faith in God and in nature his scientific background could neither dispute nor deny. He insisted that these two minds never seemed to conflict. Dr. MacCurdy possessed a keen wit and astounding memory. He would often give the page and line from which he obtained a certain scientific fact or piece of data. He ranks among the highest as a teacher of Alma College.

Dr. George B. Randels of the psychology department is remembered by many students on the campus today. Dr. Randels came here in 1911 and taught here for thirty-one years.

Many teachers have come and gone from Alma, but these men will go down in Alma College history as being not only great in their particular fields—but as being all-around great teachers.

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SMOKING PROBLEM

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or for some other reason smoking is strictly forbidden.

I should like to make an appeal to all who smoke to support the new liberalized regulations. If you appreciate the convenience of smoking on the campus, support not only the letter but the spirit of the rules. If this is not done, a change in the regulations is almost certain. To hold even an un-

'COTS DROP CAGE FINALE TO HOPE DUTCHMEN 81-44

Hartt Voted Scots Most Valuable Man

by Sum Lurson

The Kiyinj Dutchman of Hope clinched the MIAA Kas. k. ball Championship Friday night by defeating the Alma Scots 81 to 44.

From the first minute of play, the game was all Dutchmens',ami :u-y peppered the basket almost : m the opening whistle to take ir early twenty point lead ovei :v \isiting Scots. The first halt ed with the Sebo quintet on i sliort end of a 1-1-2l score.

Each Steve Sebo substituted rely in the second half in an at tnipt to stop the onslaught but llmga's cagers continued to score. liss DeVette and Bob Van lii- Hope seniors playing their last - leiriate game for the Dutchmen, led the scoring for the evening, a m 20 and 18 points respectively M :. Budge. I'ete Greenhoe, and Hex Roseman of the Scots quintet ..eh scored 11 points to share scoring honors for the visitors. 'x Roseman was the outstanding imei for Alma in this

last cage contest of the iy4M7 season. Warren llartt. IVte Greenh... and John Temple were playing their last game of their collegiate careers, and each turned in his usually fine performance. Through- out the season they have been eon staid threats to all opposing teams.

The loss set the season total a 1 wins against d losses in MIAA competition, and an overall total of 12 wins against 8 losses in all types competition.

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With the completion of the 1. cage season for the Alma Col j h'ge Scots, comes the announce* ; ment that the Varsity team has elected W arren Hartt, rangy ten- i tar of Pontiac, Michigan as it- M o m Valuable Player. Warren is a member of the Senior Class and played his last collegiate I baskineb

I'll Meet You at the Bowling Alley.

ALMA RECREATION

Wrighteous Whims . . .

In the opinion of the Wrighteous ladies March is really coming in like a lion with six weeks exams staring us in the face—how in the world did they get here so soon? Is the general cry! We have not given up hope yet for all indications point to the exit of a lamb along with the arrival of our spring vacation on the 29th. Never let it be said that the inhabitants of Wright Hall don't look ahead after a month isn't so long.

Last week end's vacation seemed to have a strange effect on the gals over here. First thing that Hazel Brown did upon getting back was to find in bed the list of those to be on Wright Hall's sick list. It didn't take long for Estep, Patten, Van Haren, Norma Pinkerton and Marilyn Tomala to get the same idea and Friday morning found third deck quiet with a definite likeness to an infirmary. Joyce Betts outdid everyone though when on her way to breakfast that same morning she missed a step and much to her surprise found herself arriving on the landing in record time. The result: a sprained ankle and arm. It could happen to you—'cause you never know what will happen next around here!

Lincoln and Washington had nothing on some of our fellow inmates. During the last week we have shared in the celebration of four birthdays. Wednesday saw Janie Gregor and Joyce Gardner sharing honors and best wishes (did everyone notice those be-yoo-ti-ful roses Joyce got from her B.F.?) and on Thursday Et MacArthur and Dot Michael were our birthday girls—Dot had flowers, too, purty white ones. Golly, aren't birthdays fun?

Slitzy Stewart was the sharpest looking damsel at the ball Saturday night with those white neckties.

Spring is still three weeks away, but not in the hearts of three of our inmates 'cause when you're in love everyday is spring, or something like that, isn't it? Anyway Mary, Sally, and Joan seem to think so and didn't see those gorgeous frat pins that they're wearing now—(that gardenia corsage that Mary got was pretty special, too) Love must be wonderful, just like all the books say! Seems that we didn't mention it so by now all of you know that Bibbin and Marty are wearing one of those pretty pins, too. We think it's wonderful!

Have you noticed that Ralph Appel seems to have developed quite an interest in Wright Hall these days. Mary and Sids have so-o-o-much fun; Tila loves basketball; Doug King finally got out of the hospital; Mike likes them tall, dark and handsome; Gracie doesn't look so lost since her roommate came back; Barb Haley has that "look" in her eyes; and Red finally got Beulah up here for a week end and that Fred really has a good reason for writing all those letters to Pontiac.

Lyrics:
 "He's My Guy", Betty Ellis
 "The Dreamer", Hazel King
 "Strawberry Blonde", Thora Harrison
 "The Marine's Hymn", Barb Benner
 "Oh, How I Hate to Get Up in the Morning", Charlene Sette
 "Life Can Be Beautiful", Don and Red

Announcements . . .

A very pretty wedding was solemnized in the Redford Avenue Presbyterian church on Feb. 15. Miss Rosalee Jane Chambers became the bride of William McMillan with Rev. John R. McWilliams performing the double ring ceremony in front of a candle-lighted altar banked with palms and decorated with baskets of white flowers. Mrs. Robert Fyfe sang "At Dawning", "Because" and "The Lord's Prayer." She was accompanied by the organist, Miss Jessie Fehlberg.

Rosalee is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William M. Chambers, 16534 Bentler, and the groom's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Robert McMillan, 29720 West Sever Mile road.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, wore a beige gabardine suit, winter-white hat with beige veil, white gloves and brown shoes. Her corsage was of white hyacinths.

Lee was graduated from the Redford high school in 1946 and Bill was a graduate of the Redford Union high school. He served as sergeant in the U. S. Army anti-aircraft for three years, being in the S. W. Pacific for eight months.

which I consider a corner stone in building of World Peace.

Because it does offer material aid in the way of food and clothing, it shows the people of these impoverished and disillusioned countries that they are not alone in their time of dire distress and sore need. It will give to them tangible proof that this supposed dream of World Brotherhood is instead all ready in effect and prove to them the sincerity of our professed desire to help. That is step number one because men think little of their souls when their stomachs are empty.

Step number two will be the giving of spiritual guidance to these people through the rebuilding of their churches, again a tangible proof, and also through a system of exchange ministers and teachers and the setting up of scholarships in these countries to enable students to come here and study and carry back to them the word of light.

I would like to use again if I may the example of a seed which, though it may fall in fertile ground, will sprout and send out shoots, which small as they may be absorb nourishment which is carried back to the mother plant, allowing it to grow stronger. The roots in turn become stronger and in doing so send back greater supplies until soon we have a large tree which will lift its head high above the litter from whence it sprang. It is my hope to make the earth like this tree, which any biologist can tell you is the perfect example of cooperation and harmony. World government yes, but the Restoration first.

PRES. HAMILTON GUEST OF MIDLAND ROTARY

On Thursday, February 27, at 12:15 p. m., President Hamilton addressed the newly organized Rotary Club of Merrill. His speech at the meeting was on the "Aims of Good Citizenship."

Sunday, March 2, at 9:45 a. m., Professor Hamilton addressed the Married People's Bible Class of the Grosse Pointe Memorial church. His topic was "Education Plus."

members. Sixteen fellows have added their names to our roster, and the fraternity should soon be up to pre-war standards. The boys of Delta Gamma Tau are starting on an ambitious program of building up the fraternity in campus activities.

Our furniture came back from the repair shop, and the Delt house looked almost like new. To celebrate the occasion we had a little house warming party for all Delt and their dates on Friday night. Mrs. Thomas Kain acted as chaperone, and all agreed that they had a good time.

The Delt cagers are doing fine in the college Intra-mural Basketball league, and now have two straight victories to their credit.

An important meeting of the Veterans' Club will be held Thursday morning at 11:40 in the Old Chapel.

STUDENT OPINION

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in the individual by the extreme nationalism which is to be found in these countries. It is part of the skillful propaganda net woven by the power lust leaders of these nations.

This propaganda serves a twofold purpose: First, tying the people together by the instinct of self preservation; secondly, welding them into a more solid mass behind the leaders. These people are told that they are all alone in this world with no one to help them and in order to withstand their acquisitive neighbors they must show a strong and united front. It is not also an easy step from armed watchfulness to the old maxim, the best defense is a good offense and that is what it will lead to. I would think that this argument would find good grounds in these countries because they are all exhausted, either from the cost of fighting a war or the equally terrible price of German occupation. It is true that the power mad countries around them see only the chance to exploit and we know from observation that some are rapidly moving toward that end.

The United Nations is held up as an antidote for this evil but I place even before it the Restoration movement. The United Nations is a great thing and I feel that it will do great things, but I also know that it cannot and will not succeed unless we can get all the people in the world sincerely behind it. Without this support the United Nations will find the going hard and it will be difficult for it to instill the confidence of the people.

The Restoration can do this

GREEK GAB

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ZETA SIGMA

After a two day postponement, we finally held our regular business meeting which concerned the revamping of our constitution. It is fortunate we have plenty of Political Science students in the fraternity or we would have some more of those long sessions.

Max Tullis gave the new pledges a briefing on what the future holds for them. He added that we expect to have some interior decorating done to the house in about three weeks—we want it in perfect condition.

Hank Osterhout should be gaining weight since he is now eating his own cooking in the trailer he calls home.

DELT NEWS

The Delt are well pleased with this semester's crop of future

GEM THEATRE

St. Louis — Michigan

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BELITA, BARRY SULLIVAN in

Suspense

Sunday and Monday, March 9-10

INGRID BERGMAN, ROBERT MONTGOMERY in

Rage in Heaven

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Test Your I. Q.

1. Does Army food differ in different theaters of activity?
2. What is Pakistan?



3. What animal has a tongue a foot and a half long?
4. Was George Washington a ladies' man?
5. What is a "bridge" in radio lingu?

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