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Frosh to Publish Almanian Edition

In accordance with an old campus custom, the Freshmen Class will publish the next edition of the Almanian.

All facilities of the regular staff will be turned over to the frosh, who will feature articles dealing with freshmen events of the current year. Co-editors Robert Freeman and Albert Kurrasch state that the paper will be printed with green ink. They indicate also that the picture page will receive novel treatment. One editor has suggested that the page be blank; the other wants to publish a full page picture of the September flag rush.

A competent staff has been assembled, the editors state, which includes Helen Welte, Copy Editor; John Harrison, Richard Mole-sky, Sports Editors; Mary Jane Keith, Society Editor; Anne Hobart, Art Editor; Jim Anderson, John Hottelling, Mary Pool, Phyllis Hayward, Virginia Benson, Dale Lawson, Edward Birdsall, Doug Callow, and Sue Flannigan, Reporter Staff.

Bandsmen Shape Spring Concert

The annual spring concert will be given by the Alma College Band under the direction of Mr. R. E. Rufener on May 12, at 8:30 p.m., in the Alma High School Auditorium.

The program will be:
Invercargill (march)Lithgow
Mightier than Circumstance (overture)
.....Franghiser
Stars in a Velvety SkyClarke
Phil Daab-Trumpet
Symphony No. 2, 3rd movement ...Brahms
Intermission
Man Among Men (march)Fillmore
Lithuanian RhapsodyScarmolin
Three Dances from Henry VIII ...German
Artist's Life (Waltz)Strauss
Sheep May Safely Graze (chorale) ...Bach
Entrance and March of the Peers
(Grand March)Sullivan
Tickets for this program may be obtained at Doud's Drug Store, The Varsity Shop, or from any band member.

The "Cut Rate Four" Makes Campus Debut

Students and faculty in Assembly on April 21, were both surprised and pleased to discover the presence of an accomplished Barber Shop Quartet on the campus.

The Cut Rate Four composed of Phil Daab, Arlan Edgar, John Metheny and Bob Christenson, was formed last September. The quartet has entertained many civic organizations in Alma and other surrounding cities. During the recent spring concert tour of the Alma a cappella choir, the four entertained the choir and guests at various church dinners, and were enthusiastically received by the cadets at the Howe Military School in Indiana where the choir sang its last concert of the season. Featured on the program given in assembly was Phil Daab who played "Swanee River" and "I Surrender, Dear" on the trumpet accompanied by John Metheny at the piano.

Selections sung by the quartet were:

For They Are Jolly Good Fellows, Shine, Shine on Me, In the Evening by the Moonlight, Massa's in De Cold, Cold Ground, Daddy, Get Your Baby Out of Jail, The Bowery, She's More to be Pityed Than Censored, and Good Night, Ladies.

Speech Group Outstanding in National Competition



Ten students of the Alma College speech department received national honors when they participated in the eighth annual national discussion conference and congress of Tau Kappa Alpha, national honorary speech fraternity held at the University of Indiana, Bloomington, Ind., on April 22, 23, and 24. One hundred and forty-five students representing 26 colleges and universities participated.

Grant Wessell, Saginaw, won first place in the national after-dinner speaking contest, speaking on "National Presidential Prospects." Kathleen Shaw, Plymouth, was the highest rated woman in the conference with a total score of 312 points. Bette Adams, Mason, was rated 24th, which was the third highest rating received by any woman at the conference.

Forty participants of the 145 were women.

Rating positions of the other Alma participants included Grant Wessell, Saginaw, 15th with a score of 294; Bill Blewett, Detroit, 29th; Lewis Tamblin, Muskegon, 38th; Donna Campbell, Sandusky, 40th; Nan Harden, Saginaw, 48th; Peggy Powers, Flint, 68th; Bill Harsen, Pontiac, 69th; and Mary Jane Keith, Alma, 77th.

Because of her outstanding work, Miss Shaw participated in one of three radio broadcasts held from the campus.

Professor A. Westley Rowland, Head of the Department of Speech, was in charge of the discussion for Tau Kappa Alpha. He also was appointed a member of the committee on standards.

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Drama Club "Four Star Final" on Tap

CAST READIES FOR "BLACK FLAMINGO"

The disappearance of the Queen's jewels has been the subject of many novels and plays from the pens of the romanticists, but none of them has wrapped this historic plot in such mystery as Sam Janney in "The Black Flamingo."

Perhaps no more sinister house celebrated for black deeds existed than the "Black Flamingo Inn" in

northern France. Here, the noble emigres would halt for rest, only to awaken in the morning with their treasures gone. Often they did not awaken at all for the genial innkeeper usually found it expedient to dispose of the aristocrats altogether.

It will indeed be a treat to spend the evening with the Bugene De Lussacs, the colorful Trigaud, the mysterious Cagliostro, and the flotsam and jetsam of the kingdom of thievery and murder who, by a strange freak of history, are thrown together in this weird setting.

You will see these Alma College students portraying these eighteenth century characters at the Alma High school auditorium, Friday evening, May 14.

Bodier, an innkeeper, Andy Good.

Nicole, his wife, Peg Powers. Clotilde, a servant, Jeanette Faber.

Bourien, Ted Emery. Trigaud, Bart Huron.

Francois De Lussac, Paul Stopert.

Eugene De Lussac, Bob Fraker. Diane & Charlotte, his daughters, Jane Haller and Barbara Compton.

A priest, Harry Craig.

Popo, Glen Rogers.

Gavroche, George Lennox.

Villagers, Fred Hemans and Sherman Filmore.

The action of the play, which is continuous takes place on the evening of July 15, 1789, in an old

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Spring Closed Formals in Offing

The Phi Phi Alpha Fraternity will hold its annual Spring Formal at Greenville on Friday, May 7. Dinner will be served at 7:00 followed by dancing. George Lennox and Glen Rogers are in charge of the arrangements. The chaperons will be Dr. and Mrs. Howard Potter and Mr. and Mrs. William Stielstra.

On the same evening, the Zeta Sigma Fraternity will hold its Spring Formal at the Midland Country Club. Music will be furnished by Bob Spencer's orchestra. Chaperons will be Dr. and Mrs. Robert Clack and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Darbee. Co-chairman in charge of the arrangements are William Wendt and Robert De Yonker.

The Delta Gamma Tau's closed formal will be held in the Gold Room at the Bancroft Hotel in Saginaw, on May 15. The orchestra and chaperons have not yet been chosen.

Saturday night, May 8th, the Alpha Theta Sorority's formal will be held in the Gold Room of the Bancroft Hotel. Dinner will be served at 6:00. Fred Ortega's band will furnish the music.

The Kappa Iota's are going to have their party at the Harold McClure sr. home, Alma, also on May 8. They are planning on an evening of cards, dancing and refreshments.

The Sigma Philo's are holding their formal dance and dinner at the Hotel Porter, Lansing, on May 21st. Nate Fry and his orchestra will supply the music for the dance.

Joan Bishop Proves Versatile Artist

One of the most versatile artists to appear before the student body in assembly was Joan Bishop, mezzo-soprano, concert pianist, and an ex-quiz kid.

The program was presented in the college chapel and included a Bach Prelude, Chopin's Revolutionary Etude, Debussy's Claire de Lune, the Ritual Fire Dance, George Gershwin's Second Prelude, Bumble Boogie, and the popular Tico Tico. Two of her vocals were: Mother of the Lamb and Jerome Kern's Smoke Gets in Your Eyes.

Highlighting this musical program were the facts on the life of a quiz-kid and a brief account of what some of the more famous are doing at present.

As an encore Miss Bishop played the Anniversary Song and the student body participated in the singing of the lyrics.

BLACK FLAMINGO
FRIDAY, MAY 14

Speech Banquet Coming May 11

The annual Speech Banquet will be held on Tuesday, May 11, at 6:30 at Updike's Restaurant. This semi-formal event is for all students who have participated in the Drama Club, forensic activities, oratory, interpretive reading, or debate.

On the committee in charge of arrangements are: George Lennox, Kathleen Shaw, Peggy Powers, Tila Martinez, Nan Harden, and Lois McBurney. Grant Wessell will be the toastmaster, Peggy Powers will present a reading, and music will be furnished by the Music Department. Mr. Eldersveld will review the dramatic activities of the year and Professor Rowland will review the forensic activities and present the awards which will be given to the following:

First year awards: Peggy Powers, Saginaw; Donna Campbell, Sandusky; Mary Jane Keith, Alma; Bill Blewett, Detroit; Bill Baxter, Detroit; Bill Harsen, Pontiac; Donald Turbin, Merrill; and Lewis Tamblin, Muskegon.

Third year awards: Grant Wessell, Saginaw.

T. K. A. awards: Bette Adams, Mason, Nan Harden, Saginaw, Kathleen Shaw, Plymouth, and Virginia Smith Gilmore, Port Huron.

Dr. Dale D. Welch will be presented with an honorary T.K.A. membership and will give a talk.

Alma Graduates Swell Teaching Ranks

McCALL LISTS PLACEMENTS FOR NEXT YEAR

Did you know that 60% of Alma's graduating class last June received teacher's certificates? And that 29 students from the present senior class have done practice teaching this year? Yes, Alma, along with colleges all over the country, is helping to fill the great need for teachers at the present time. At a recent conference which Prof. Harlan R. McCall, head of the Education Dept., attended, Dr. Elloit of the University of Michigan reported that 2500 teachers are needed at the elementary level in Michigan. Only 750 applicants will be turned out this spring. The

needs in high schools will just about be met.

Prof. McCall has been in charge of Alma's Placement service for two years. This office has as its purpose the placing of students who are receiving teacher's certificates. Calls come into the office from Superintendents of Schools all over the state. Students who are qualified and interested either go to the school itself for an interview, or the Superintendent may come here. The office had 449 calls last year. So far this year, (continued on page two)

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EDITORIALS

How Do They Rate with You?

There is a new movement on several Michigan campuses which students on the Alma College campus might consider.

Briefly, it is this: a rating scale for instructors and professors submitted regularly by the student body. In the broad sense of the program, several advantages immediately become apparent. Few, if any, disadvantages are discernable.

The ultimate objective of this idea is to give the teacher an insight into how the student reacts to his instruction, presentation of the subject material, oral delivery, interpretation, appearance, grading methods, and many other criteria which are important to the student in his understanding of the course.

Taking it for granted that the large majority of instructors have a conscientious attitude toward their profession, it is naturally assumed that they will accept these student reports as helpful hints which may be used to further the instructor's desire to present his subject in an interesting and intelligible manner.

These rating scales remain unsigned, and should probably not be shown to anyone other than the individual instructor concerned, since it is for his benefit that the reports are filled out, with the students ultimately benefitting.

It may be possible to conduct a poll in the near future to sound out student and faculty opinion on this matter. We hope that this plan will not be objected to on the ground that it has never been done before.

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Alumni News

Helen Cook Collier, class of 1907 and her husband, John H. Collier, celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on September 6, 1947. Among their guests at the celebration was the minister who married them, the maid of honor, and the best man. Mrs. Collier's address is 3725 Windom Place, N. W., Washington 16, D. C.

Mrs. Florence Purdy Moore, class of 1921, lives at 3817 1/2 South Wisconsin St., Los Angeles 37, California. On August 23, 1947, she was married in the "Little Church of the West," Las Vegas, Nevada, to Harold D. Moore. Mr. Moore was formerly of Alma, Michigan, and he is the son of Mrs. M. Estella Moore, 101 W. Downie St., Alma, Michigan.

Mr. Edwin P. Creaser, class of 1928, married an Albion graduate and they have two boys and one girl. Mr. Creaser has been assistant professor of biology at Hofstra College, Hempstead, L. I., N. Y. since 1945.

Mr. Willis L. Gelston, Jr., class of 1939, and his wife, the former Jeanne Speerstra, live at 98 Kent Street, Kent City, Michigan. They have two children, the youngest being born December 29, 1947. Mr. Gelston served two and one half years as a naval officer with twenty-six months overseas. He will receive his A.M. in June, from the University of Michigan.

Mr. Lee Clack, class of 1942, and his wife, the former Ann Carter, are the proud parents of a baby boy. Their son, Bruce Carter Clack, was born April 26, 1948.

Kathryne Wyllys, class of 1947, lives at 416 Maple Avenue, Alma, Michigan. She is employed at the Montcalm County Bureau of Social Aid in Stanton, Michigan. She will be married to Donald Berg, a sophomore at Alma College, in the Alma College Chapel, June 20, at 7:00 p.m.

Males and Females Call for More Mail LONESOME LADS AND LASSIES TO SUIT EVERY TASTE

If your mail call is hardly audible, perhaps the Saturday Review of Literature can help you. It's "PERSONALS" include pleas for correspondence which can scarcely go unanswered.

For those lonesome males who classify themselves as sentimental a letter to this interesting woman might cure all ills. "Spirited female, educated, traveled, a trifle on the romantic side, would welcome correspondence from sentimental male possessing humor and imagination."

For the woman with a special interest about which no man on campus feels as she does there is the: "Young man, college grad, interested art, theatre, music, would correspond with females."

Scrutinize yourself. Are you mature—educated? Yes? Answer the call for male by "Professional woman interested in progressive drama, music, good will, writing, invites correspondence with mature, educated gentleman."

Social Service

Sociology major? Do you want to do something for a fellow man? Write the young man who writes he is "Ennued by men's college and would like femme ideas for a change."

Or you might pull another man

Placements

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all the elementary teachers and many of the high school teachers have been placed. Several have not been placed as yet but have openings under consideration. Prof. McCall expects to have all of them placed by fall.

Those who have been placed so far this spring in positions for next fall are Ardelle Allen, Alma, who will teach in the elementary field at Edmore; Sten Larson, Newberry, social studies and assistant coach at Frankfort; Betty June Smith, Alma, music and art at Reed City; Max Tullis, Charlotte, coach at Saranac; Roscoe Walker, Perry, Assistant coach and science at Carson City, Rex Wood, Vestaburg, mathematics at Edmore; Kenneth Greenhoe, Alma, coach at Standish. Ken has been doing graduate work at Michigan State College. Alma is granting Bachelor of Music Education degrees for the first time this June. Several students are receiving these degrees and will teach various as-

:: Greek Galt ::

Phi-Lip

Everyone was either present or had an excused absence at the first clean up meeting held two weeks ago. The lawn and the face of the "home" are looking 100% better. In connection with this, we voted John Wilkins as Chief of the Bureau of Appropriations. The chicken wire, borrowed by him from Mr. Skinner now hedges the front lawn.

We heard "Einstein" Kleckner do a great job of explaining the inner workings of frequency modulation recently. He also has developed a system for getting the horses away from the barrier faster. When he explains them both at the same time, it makes good listening!

Mercury Budge had a little difficulty getting started in the 100 yard dash at Mt. Pleasant last week. They say he dug his starting pit a little too deep and got his foot stuck in it.

Everybody had a fine time at the closed party. It was complete with barber-shop quartet and a series of foot races staged by Chris.

We'll close with a double bouquet of roses this week. The first goes to Bob Pollock who celebrates his 23rd birthday, and the second to Paul Krefl for the beautiful ring he has given Tillie Tobin.

ZETA NEWS—

The Zetas are really proud to have as members two dirt farmers, Jimmy Robinson and Bob Fraker. It must be great to be able to commune with nature these fine spring days.

Everybody is covering the sports section of the newspapers closely these days to see how Zeta Alumnus Roy Clark is making out with the Saginaw Bears.

We really have what one may call an international house. Five Zetas take Chinese, seven German, fourteen French, and six

Spanish. Around exam time we gehen in our comedor where we manger our chop suey.

ALPHA THETA

At a formal dinner held in the recreation room, Wright Hall, on Monday, May 3, the Alpha Theta new pledges, Zeta Sigma supplied the "swipes" for the occasion.

The past week saw the Alpha Theta softball team lose its first game of the season to Sigma Philo on Wednesday. The team came back fighting, however, and defeated Kappa Iota the following day in an extra innings game which demonstrated that some of the new members are real sluggers.

Plans are complete for the formal dinner dance to be held on Saturday, May 8, at the Hotel Bancroft in Saginaw. The next big event after that will be the weekend house party which begins on May 22.

PHILO FILES

Well, pledging is over and we can settle down to a natural life now. On the twenty-second of April we took in ten new members who put on a riotous circus for us, including an elephant act, a lion (very ferocious) taming act, minstrel show, and a terrific side show. It was so good, in fact, that we invited the rest of the dorm to be present at the showing, much to the surprise of the nervous pledges. Our guests not only included the girls of Wrighteous Hall, but also Mrs. Powell. Pink lemonade and cookies were served. New members who put on this affair are Virginia Benson, Gloria Anderson, Jeanne Craig, Ann Bobart, Gerry Ling, Lois Mcburney, Rosemary Nicoli, Marty Swanson, Joann Wilson, and Beverly Yoder.

Our formal dinner was held that same evening at Updikes, and we all had a wonderful time even if we were embarrassed by outsiders from time to time.

Plans for our week-end party are in the air and before we know it, we'll be out on the shore of good old Crystal Lake having fun galore. Term papers and book reports are calling now, kids, but I'll see you Saturday noon. Don't forget your bathing suits.

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Drama Club

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castle, now an inn, in the north of France.

The Drama Club has gone far beyond limits to obtain complete costumes for the play.

An original theme has been composed by Elmer Coon, an outstanding member of the College Music Department, to be played by the recently organized Alma College Symphonette.

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EDITORIALS

People Who Live in Glass Houses

The world has always been burdened with self-appointed critics, quick to censure, but slow to offer a better solution to the problem of the moment. Alma College has quite naturally received its fair complement of these wasted geniuses.

The Almanian Staff, overworked and undersung, has faithfully and regularly published a paper as complete, interesting, and factual as available money, dependable talent, good taste, and diplomacy will permit. The members of the Staff have given freely of their time in an honest effort to produce editorial, news, feature, and picture material which would meet, as nearly as possible, the needs and desires of the Student Body in its wish for a campus newspaper.

A few profound, campus experts, both amateur and professional, have elected to criticize their work. It is to them we speak. Position vacancies exist in every department of the Almanian. We heartily and warmly extend to all who burn to improve the paper an invitation to put their progressive ideas into effect. Even part-time critics surely cannot escape the implication of the large, plainly marked box beside the door to the Almanian office. It was placed there expressly for their use.

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Chapel Regulations

A number of students apparently do not have clearly in mind the regulations regarding chapel and assembly attendance.

Absence from classes cleared through the Office of the Dean do not automatically excuse a student from chapel. It is intended that the two chapel and assembly cuts allowed each calendar month shall cover such emergency absences. Although the student may take these cuts whenever desired, it should be evident that the last few days of each calendar month offer the best opportunity since the student who uses these cuts earlier in the month, and is then absent from chapel or assembly for reasons beyond his control, will not be excused. As a general rule there is no such thing as a "required" chapel or assembly—the only possible exception being the opening convocation at the beginning of each semester.

Absence from the campus for approved extra-curricular activities which extend through a chapel period will automatically include an excuse for that function.

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IWO NEWS

The meeting of the Independent Women's Organization on April 5 served to welcome the new independent women and to give them some definite knowledge concerning the group. The meeting was conducted by Dorothy Nordheim, who, after a few words of welcome, explained the policies of the IWO and read the constitution.

Betty Lobenstein then read "The Way of the World," a poem by Ella Wheeler Wilcox. Wilma Breu sang "The Perfect Day" and Jean Slaski followed with the song "Forest of Oaks."

The IWO president, Ellen Harsen, wishes to make the following announcement to the women who do not belong to a sorority. "You are automatically an independent, however, it is left entirely to your own choosing as to whether or not you will exert yourself and become an active member of this group. There is nothing obligatory about belonging to or working with this organization, attendance at meetings is not required and membership does not prohibit you from joining a sorority if you so desire. So all we can say is 'Get going, Kid—don't let the other guy do all the work.'"

SPEECH INSTRUCTORS URGENTLY NEEDED

America's colleges and universities must graduate at least 35,000 speech correctionists in the next few years if the nation's 4,000,000 vocally handicapped persons are to receive the retraining that they need so badly.

This estimate was recently released by Dr. Martin F. Palmer, president of the American Speech and Hearing Association and director of the Institute of Logopedics in Wichita, Kansas, where a full curriculum of 62 hours is now being offered to students interested in speech correction. Dr. Palmer further estimated that there are only about 400 students now enrolled in speech correction courses.

"Few fields currently offer undergraduates the professional opportunities that are offered by the rapidly expanding field of speech correction," says Dr. Palmer. "For the next five or ten years at least," he added "speech graduates need not worry about the demand for their services. It is possible for them to work with vocally handicapped persons during spare time hours or in addition to household duties."

At the Wichita Institute, one of the few schools in the country that specializes in speech correction, students may vary their courses so as to gain official ASHA recognition in one of several different categories, any one of which permits them to work with speech defectives.

DELTA FORMAL ONE OF BEST

The Delta Gamma Tau Fraternity presented its annual stag formal on April 10th. Preceding the dance, the fraternity members served dinner to the girls in the dining room at Wright Hall.

The dance was held in the college gymnasium from 8:00-11:30. Orville Carmell's orchestra furnished the music and the decorations created a spring-like atmosphere.

The floor show was presented at the commencement of the dance. Jane Haller was featured as a vocalist and was accompanied by Shirley Stewart. Another feature was a shadow play portraying a pantomime of a surgical operation. Harry Craig was Master of Ceremonies.

COUNCIL REPORT

Pursuant to call, the Student Council of Alma College met on April 13, 1948. Roll called and minutes of the last meeting read and approved. New business: Discussion of plans for Campus Day.

A local mason will look at the proposed site for the Hans Richter memorial fireplace and make an estimate. Members chose a memorial plaque, costing about \$75, to bear the names of former students and alumni killed in action in World War II.

Letter received from James Millikin University, Decatur, Illinois, requesting a copy of the Alma College handbook and Student Council constitution. Upon motion, meeting adjourned.

Little Theatre Nite
Friday, April 30

:: Greek Gab ::

KAPPA KEEKS

"Hey—come on in for the Spread!" That was the invitation given to the Philos and the Thetas Friday night at 11:00 p.m. Cokes, potato chips, and brownies were served to members of the other two sororities in our room on the fourth floor. Cards and records were provided for anyone who wanted to dance or play a hand of bridge.

This was the first party of its kind to be given and it proved to be a great success.

Congratulations are in order for four of our members. Red Anderson will reign as Queen on Campus Day and Tillie Tobin, Marilyn Temple, Donna Campbell, and Norma Pinkerton are members of her court. We also wish to congratulate Jean Slaski and Pat Adams who are also members of the Queen's Court.

Captain Ella Orr is doing a good job with softball practice. We are planning on a lot of fun this season. Whether we'll win this year or not remains to be seen.

Many plans are being made for our Spring Formal and week end party, however these plans are not ready to be disclosed as yet.

More congratulations: To Donna Jensen and Clare Albee and to Barb Strimbeck and Bob Wolfe. Is it spring—or just their winning smiles?

That's all for now—see you in a couple of weeks.

ALPHA THETA

At a breakfast on March 23, the Alpha Thetas welcomed the new pledges: Roma Woodworth, Jean Austin, Sue Flannigan, Nancy Heering, Lillian Goodwyn, Mary Ann Morris, Mary Pool, Carolyn Mioskowski, Jane Kohler, and Martha Kamperman.

On Monday, April 12, pledging began and each pledge received a congratulatory rose from the Zeta Sigma fraternity.

The coming of spring has turned Alpha Theta thoughts to intramural softball and to the "Little Brown Jug." So regardless of the weather, members and pledges can be seen every afternoon practicing faithfully under the supervision of Coach Dittmar, assisted by veteran player Arlie Bennett.

Definite plans have been made for the Alpha Theta spring formal. It will be held at the Hotel Bancroft, Saginaw, on Saturday, May 8.

Plans in progress now are for the week end house party to be held at Crystal Lake, May 22.

Many thanks to the KIs for a "real fine time" at their spread on Friday, April 16.

ZETA SIGMA

George Kreuger is no longer walking. Stated George, "If I didn't spend my money on a motorcycle, I would have only wasted it."

Ollie Elliot is walking these days since he sold the Green Hornet.

With some fifteen members graduating this semester along with another half dozen transferring to schools in Arizona, it looks like we'll be down to normal strength again.

The Zeta Spring Formal will be given on May 7, 1948 at the Midland Country club. Bob DeYonkers and Bill Wendt are co-chairmen. Any alumnus member wishing to attend may do so by contacting them.

We still have a sink-selling committee composed of: Wilson, Lieberman, Tullis, and Breen. Doesn't anybody need plumbing in this town?

The Phi Lip

Ah! Shades of Wright Hall roof, it's spring. The artists of the Phi-House, Van Dyke Lennox and Rembrandt Tryhuk, to name a couple, have been hard at work this past week giving their rooms that new look.

To many of you the threat of Communism is becoming more oppressing each day, but we in the Phi House have ceased to worry for we have the answer—Tom Williams received his commission

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as Ensign in the U.S.N.R., congratulations, Tom.

Bob Pollock has been going around with a very worried expression on his face the past week. Don't exactly know the trouble but have heard the word "car" mentioned along with some other statements that were far from flattering to the "old buggy" Red (Rosebud) Rogers seems to find one line of his, in the forthcoming play, a trifle to his distaste, so much so that he lights up like a neon sign everytime he repeats it.

Congratulations to the choir for their fine job over W.J.R. Monday night. They certainly are a fine outfit. Your reporter was man-handled the other night, due to his recent engagement, by a bunch of his illustrious brothers and ended up in a cold shower. All I have to say is "Congratulations to me."

Close with a big bouquet of roses to Mr. and Mrs. Ed Bathum for the arrival of Nancy Susan Bathum, just two weeks and four days old.

DELTA NEWS—

The Delts wish to thank all the people who helped make our Formal Dance on April 10th a success. Special thanks to Janie Haller and Shirley Stewart.

Loaded with material, the Delts open their softball season with two teams to place on the field—the Dynamos and the Dubbers managed by Charlie Williams and Ralph Burroughs. If the actual performance is half as good as the merits claimed by the aspirants, Watch Out!

Chess, once a pastime at the Delt House, has become an obsession. Certain notable gentleman, namely, ED MORENO and WAITE PALMER seem to live on chess alone.

PHILO FILES

Finding "odd jobs" for the pledges, plans for the initiation banquet, and softball practice are keeping the Philos occupied these days.

The former initiation banquet is set for Thursday evening at Uppdike's Cafe. Preceding the dinner, the pledges will be formally initiated in a service in the sorority room; after dinner, the group will return to the room where the new members will present a program.

TILA MARTINEZ, captain of the softball team, has called her girls out for daily practices, and they are slowly working out the kinks in long-unused muscles and getting down to serious work.

The annual Spring Formal will be May 21, at the Porter Hotel, Lansing. Big plans are underway for the event.

Our sorority house party will be the week-end of May 8th, at the Milhams' cottage on Crystal Lake.

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Year Ending April 10, 1948

The following statistics were found in a Detroit Newspaper. Office and editor forwarded them to us.

Population of the United States	135,000,000
People 65 years or older	37,000,000
Balance left to do the work	98,000,000
People 21 years or younger	54,000,000
Balance left to do the work	44,000,000
People working for the government	21,000,000

Balance left to do the work 23,000,000

People in the Armed Services 10,000,000

Balance left to do the work 13,000,000

People in State & City Offices 12,800,000

Balance left to do the work 200,000

People in Hospitals and Insane Asylums 126,000

Balance left to do the work 74,000

Burns and others who won't work 62,000

Balance left to do the work 12,000

Persons in Jail 11,998

Balance left to do the work 2

TWO? YOU AND I!

And you'd better get a wiggle on. I'm getting darned tired of running this country alone.

A year ago, the Student Union was much discussed as a need of the college, and now, it is more or less taken for granted by the students. Last fall, through the efforts and donations of friends of the college, new furniture was brought into the chapel basement. The room was redecorated and ping-pong and card tables were set up. A supply of cards and checkers, as well as other game equipment was provided. The ladies powder room was renovated. Soon, the former chapel recreation room had assumed the atmosphere of an official college union.

We were pleasantly surprised upon returning from Christmas vacation to find that a snack bar had been set up at one end of the union. Under the competent direction of Mr. Homer Curry, this delightful asset flourished. When the originator left us in February, Mr. Paul Morgeau took over its management. The latter has skillfully eliminated the difficulties that accompany the establishment of any business venture, and the snack bar has become a permanent feature. Aside from providing only snacks, as the name would suggest, one finds that a rather substantial meal may be had. The students—and the faculty—patronize this delight of the epicureans to the extent that it is crowded a almost every hour of the day.

The Union provides many and varied forms of amusement. Perhaps the most universally popular fixtures are the ping-pong tables, and, if one doesn't care to watch ping-pong in progress, he may find recreation in the numerous card games that are constantly in session. Bridge is one of the more frequent pastimes; for those unenlightened people who have never managed the finesse required in that, there is usually another form of card game to turn to.

Checkers is a favorite frequently played, and if this requires too much effort, it is pleasant to just relax and watch the race of men go by.

With the aid of the record-player, dancing is possible throughout the day. Thus it is, that at least one couple is usually loping or swaying, as the case may be, to the ethereal strains that rend the air.

Aside from the purely recreational value of the Student Union, it provides an enjoyable place in which to catch up on neglected studying. It is as much a place to study as it is a place to play—almost. It's safe to say that the Union is one of the most welcomed and most appreciated additions to the school in a long time. In fact, "Within the memory of Man, no finer thing hath been wrought."

A book of verse, a jug of coke, and thou.

In the Spring a young man's fancy!

Just because my hair is curly—

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HOUSING

July 25, 1949, is the date established by law for the demolition of temporary housing units erected on campus under Title V of the Lanham Act.

The hope for permanent title to temporary structures was somewhat dampened by the Public Housing Administration representative at the most recent meeting of the Committee on Relationships of Higher Education to the Federal Government of the Amer-

ican Council on Education when the agencies representative pointed out the difficulty of treating municipalities, which also own these structures, differently from colleges.

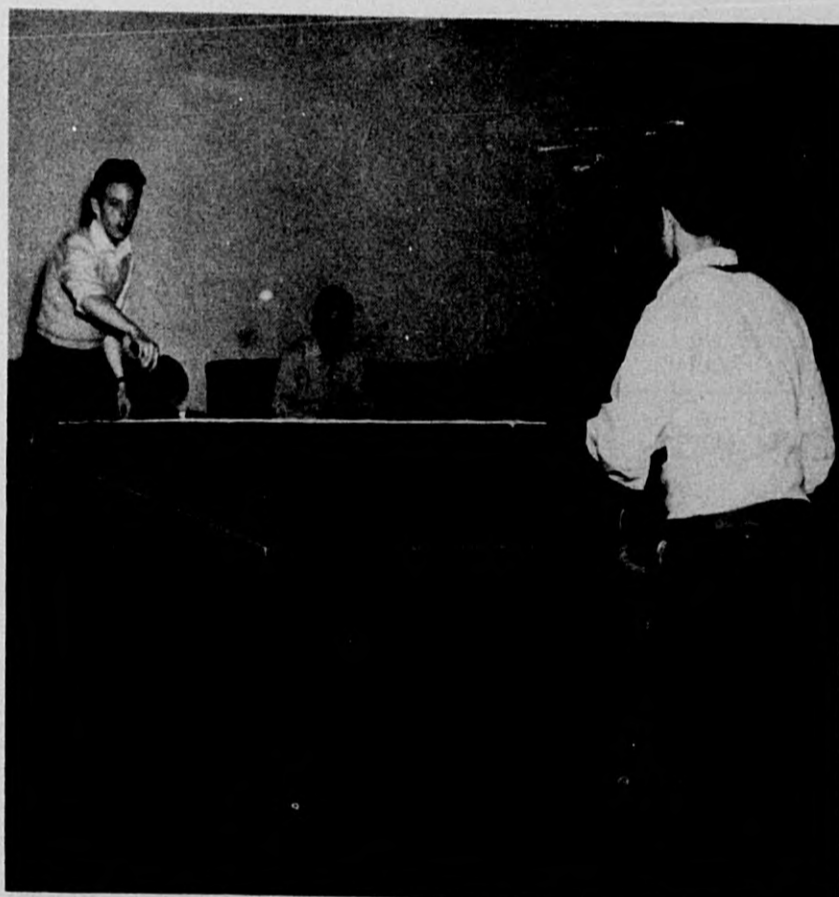
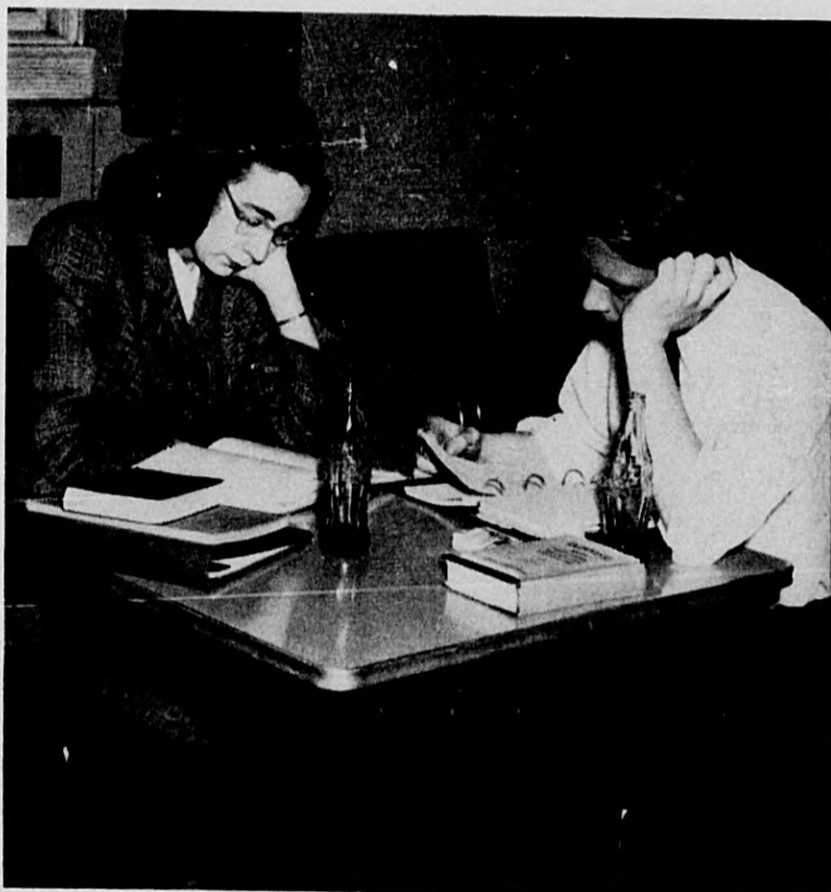
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APRIL 24

SWINGING SCOTS

LITTLE THEATRE NITE

FRIDAY, APRIL 30



Thinclads Open Today at Central

STRONG IN FIELD EVENTS SQUAD WEAK IN DASHES;

Starting his first year as the Scots thinclad mentor, Coach Bruce Butler is presented with many problems at the Pine River college. With no points at all picked up in the MIAA meet of last year in the dashes, it was hoped that a freshman crop would prove to be the answer, but so far none have measured up to expectations.

Stan Hester, Pontiac, 1947 letterwinner, has shown his best form in the past week in the inter-class struggle, with Stan Boynton, Birmingham, displaying better form than was evident in the indoor conference meet last month. These two are due to handle the brunt of the attack in the 100, and 220. Clark Pester, Ypsilanti, is a new comer to watch.

Keith Van Duzen, Belding, 1947 Class "C" State champ in the 440 will be carrying the Scots colors, and should do better than his second place marked up in the indoor meet achieved with little practice beforehand. Dick Wilcox, Allegan, Hugh Harsha, Plymouth, and Ralph Hinderleider, Alma, are also good quarter milers which gives the Scots strength in that event.

Biggest disappointment has been the poor showing of Chuck Williams, Auburn, N.Y., who was rated the big hope in the mile and two mile. Finishing out of the money in the indoor meet, he was able to place but third in the mile in the inter-class struggle, and 2nd in the two mile. Poor condition of the track plus weather have prevented him from extensive training. Others in this event who will be available during the outdoor season are Bill Williams, Newberry, no relation, Doug King, Lewiston, and Jim Coulter, Detroit.

The half mile will draw the attention of Bruce Brown, Port Huron, who in his first year of competition last season gained a third in the MIAA. So far, he has this year gained a third in the unimportant indoor meet, and is rated capable of taking the MIAA title this spring. Assisting him will be Merle Cosgrove, Petoskey, who is a potent threat at all times in this run. Bill Prine, Manistique, is the third contender.

Rex Roseman, Grand Rapids, who captured the MIAA indoor high hurdle crown will be ready for a repeat in the longer outdoors event, assisted by George Lennox, Hazel Park, who has im-

proved greatly the past few weeks. The lows will draw attention of Arlan Edgar, Ithaca, with Dean Ferris, Allegan, Max Tullis, Charlotte, and Jim Price, Petoskey, also slated for competition.

Field events shape up fairly well as far as the Scots are concerned, with points assured in the discus and javelin. Roseman and Chuck Lemke, Saginaw, are defending champions in both events and should repeat. In the shot, Roseman will be assisted somewhat by Kenny Corbin, Detroit, and Tom Dustin, Saginaw.

High jumpers will include Chuck Williams, Tom Taylor, Peekskill, N. Y., and Rex Roseman, while the broad jump pits will call Roseman, Taylor, Williams, and Arlan Edgar. Taylor and Edgar are rated high in this event.

The final event, pole vaulting, will find Alma on top again, with Edgar capable of going 12 feet as evidenced in the indoor struggle in March. John Harrison will aid him in this department.

Hillsdale Starts Spring Sports

The Hillsdale College baseball team journeyed to Olivet to open the 1948 spring sports schedule last Saturday. The Dale track team went into action yesterday against a visiting Kalamazoo squad. The golf season will open today with Olivet meeting Hillsdale at the Hillsdale Country Club.

For Saturday's opener, Coach Milo Lude took a 15 man team to Olivet. The starting lineup included Red Oberlin on first, Dick Fairgrieve, second, Bill Young, short, and Merv Holbeck at third. The outer gardeners were led by centerfielder Terry Thomas, with Harold Trott in left and Jimmy Day in right. Thomas has been hitting the longest ball of the squad this spring, and was in the cleanup spot. Trott a Reading product, has shown considerable improvement at the plate to supplant Dick Peters in left field.

The Dale tracksters who finished second in the M.I.A.A. Indoor meet last month meet a tough Kalamazoo squad. The Hornets showed strength in the dashes, hurdles, and half-mile indoors, and Dale Coach Harold S. Westerman will have to have his team at full strength for the dual meet. Top performances are expected from Bill Young, Stu Williams, Tom Ward, and Frank Renye. Young will be featured in the dashes, low hurdles, and broad jump; Williams is indoor broad jump champion and outdoor 440 title holder; Ward is top hurdler; and Renye the best Dale distance man.

Much interest will be centered on the strong Hillsdale mile relay team composed of Williams, Bob Katz, Lee Walker, and Frank Kuehn. Katz and Kuehn are former Detroit Mackenzie high stars.

In the golf department the Dales meet Olivet today to open the season. Coach Neal K. Fenkell has a strong six-man team ready to battle for the M.I.A.A. title. Leading the squad is Rex Frye, sharp shooter from Dearborn All Ohlmacher, runner-up to medal scorer in the MIAA Field Day last year, has had trouble getting started, but had impressive rounds over the week end. Bob Frye, Rex's brother, Jim Parker, John Roby, and George Smeltzer round out the team. Smeltzer is a left-hander who shoots low scores consistently.

DIZADI SECOND IN STATE TOURNNEY

Darius Izadi represented Alma College in the Michigan table-tennis tournament held at Webster School Gymnasium in Pontiac last week. Darius, who hails from Persia, was defeated in the hard fought finals by William Derragon of Pontiac.

Said Darius, "I should have beaten him—it was my own fault that I lost. Shucks!"

Bob Blanck Paces Linksmen

A high, stiff wind didn't stop the local linksmen as they grabbed off a decisive 13 1/2-5 1/2 win from the Kalamazoo golfers last Friday on the Pine River course. Bob Blanck, Alma, gained medalist honors with a 83 for the 18 holes, while Jim Southworth was low for the visitors.

With an all-Freshmen squad, Coach Robert Clack rushed through the early part of last week seeking to find a 6-man team capable of carrying the Alma colors. Bad weather hampered the selection to a great extent as 20 candidates tried for positions.

Blanck gained 3 Alma points with his 83 carded against Bob Corseid. Jim Southworth, Kazoo, gained 2 1/2 of the visitors points with an 86 carded against John Anderson, Birmingham, who salvaged 1/2 point with an 89. Number three man, Alex Kish, Etna, Pa., supplied three more Alma points with a 92 carded over a 95 by Miller of K College. Paul McDonnell, Auburn, N. Y., gained two points with an 88 over a 91 by Hansen of Kazoo, who picked up one point.

Dick Knox, Royal Oak, gave the locals three more points with his 89 over Tom Lenox of the Hornet Squad who quit in disgust with a score of 100. Wally Bragg, Alma, was pounced upon by Tim Holloway of Kalamazoo who gained 2 points for his 87, but Bragg's 92 gained one more Alma point here to complete scoring.

Paul McDonnell, Alma's number four man, and Tim Holloway, number six man for the visitors, each gained an eagle on the second hole, completing the hole in 3 strokes with 5 listed as par.

Detroit Gains 8-3 Victory

The University of Detroit's baseball team opened its 1948 season with an 8-3 victory over Alma College.

A two-run homer by Outfielder Johnny O'Connor in the fifth inning put the game on ice. Bob Miller, former St. Mary's High School pitcher, went the distance for the Titans and gave up eight hits.

Miller fanned 10 and did not issue a pass. The game was a see-saw affair until O'Connor's big hit. The Scots grabbed a two-run lead in the first inning and tied the score on a single run in the top half of the fifth after U. of D. scored twice in the third and once in the fourth.

A three-run uprising in the sixth completed the Titan scoring. Alma 200 010 000—3 8 4 U-D 002 123 00x—8 12 2 Saxton and Hester, Parks; Miller and VanHevele, O'Connor.

Net-Men Drop Match at Kazoo

The Alma College netters hit into bad luck in their initial start of the season, dropping all sets to a potent Kalamazoo College squad. Matches were played at the Stowe Stadium in Kalamazoo last Thursday afternoon.

In the singles competition, Bill Harsen, Pontiac, fell before Bob Stowe, son of the Kazoo mentor, 6-1, 6-2. Darius Izadi, Iran, fell before his countryman, Ax Jamal, 6-1, 6-2. Ax is a cousin of Vic Jamal, '47 graduate of Alma.

Earl Antonelli, Detroit, Bob Smith, Flint, and Dick Denny, Detroit, each lost their matches, 6-0, 6-1.

In the doubles competition, Harsen and Antonelli were teamed, but suffered setbacks of 6-1, 6-4. Smith and Denny fell 6-1, 6-1.

The locals had but one day of practice before entering this meet, and with their excellent showing in several of the sets, Coach William Stielstra has high hopes for the squad.

Meanderings . . .

Bill LaPaugh Leading Intra-Mural Scorer

Bill LaPaugh, Faculty forward, gained individual scoring honors for the Intra-mural basketball league during the past season, having a total of 137 points, which included 61 field goals and 15 successful free throws. His nearest rival was Roy Gray, Pontiac, center of the league champions, Skid Row. Gray sank a total of 109, with 50 field goals and 9 free tosses.

Another Faculty player, Bruce Butler, took third place honors with 108 points, including 51 field goals and 6 free tosses.

Complete standings for first ten in individual scoring is as follows:

		FG	FT	T
B. LaPaugh	Faculty	51	15	137
R. Gray	Skid Row	50	9	109
B. Butler	Faculty	51	6	108
J. Wilkins	Phi Pifers	44	10	98
A. German	Underworld	39	13	91
T. Blacklock	Underworld	36	18	90
M. Cosgrove	Skid Row	35	16	86
B. Brown	Phi Pifers	38	9	85
F. Adams	Phi Pifers	34	15	83
W. Clark	Trailer Court	34	7	75
B. Lines	Delts	21	21	62

Diamond Lads Drop One, 10-3

Three runs from seven hits weren't enough for the Alma College diamond dusters, as they faced a superior Michigan Normal nine last Saturday afternoon. The Hurons pounced upon Scot's pitcher George Vinson of a total of 15 hits, including two home runs, which netted them 10 runs in the game.

It wasn't exactly the best way to open the season, but the locals showed definite promise for the future. The team is especially lacking in the pitching department, with Vinson's stay on the mound throughout Saturday's game necessary in order to have Chuck Saxton well rested for the the University of Detroit.

The sports section of this paper finds it hard to comment at length concerning the game as no reporter was able to make the trip to Ypsilanti. Reports list the appearance of Russ Hester behind the plate as a steady influence for any pitcher, while the hitting of Bill Moore and Rocky Walker did much to aid the Scots cause.

Summary:				
Alma (3)				
	AB	H	R	E
Tullis, 2b	3	0	0	1
Saxton, C. 2b	1	0	0	0
Saxton, W. cf	5	1	1	0
Nesbit, lb	5	1	1	0
Hester, c	4	0	0	2
Parks, c	1	0	0	0
Thompson, rf	1	0	0	0
Walker, rf	3	2	1	0
Moore, lf	3	2	0	0
Hoffman, ss	2	1	0	0
Tobin, 3b	2	0	0	1
Sebring, 3b	2	0	0	0
Vinson, p	4	0	0	0
TOTALS	36	7	3	4
Score by innings:				
Alma	000	030	000	
Mich. Normal	012	014	02X	
Mich. Normal (10)				
	AB	H	R	E
Wilson, cf	6	2	1	0
McNally, lf	5	1	1	0
Moffett, 3b	5	2	2	1
Cossey, c	4	4	3	0
Wildner, rf	3	1	1	1
Heininger, lb	5	1	1	0
Monatarian, ss	4	2	1	1
Lezah, 2b	3	2	0	1
Martin, p	5	0	0	0
TOTALS	40	15	10	4

The sports staff of the Albion College weekly newspaper informs us that beginning with the fall term, Albion College will present a major in physical education. This brings to an end a year long program conducted through and by the "A" club on behalf of such a major.

Albion now joins Adrian and Hillsdale as the only schools in the MIAA offering a graduating major in physical education.

By virtue of their showing in the intra-mural basketball race, the Phis now are in the lead for the Intra-mural All-Sports trophy. Complete standings will be announced in next issue.

Delmar W. Anderson steps into the job recently vacated by Dean L. Rockwell as coach of the Albion College football squad. Coach Anderson comes to Albion from Case Tech of Cleveland, Ohio.

Adrian College came through with an upset win over the Albion College thinclads last Saturday afternoon. The Bulldogs gained a 7 1/2 to 5 1/2 victory.

WAA DECISIONS

The Women's Athletic Association held an informal meeting in the room of the president, Shirley Dittmar, in regard to spring sports.

It was decided that representatives will be sent to this spring's tennis tournament on May 7 and 8 at Hope College.

A decision was made to award letters at the end of the school year. In accordance with the new point system which will be accepted in its entirety, medals are to be presented to freshmen girls who have earned 100 points.

A trophy for the coming softball tournament is to be ordered at the same time as the freshmen medals. The tournament is under the supervision of Tila Martinez and will begin April 21.

A committee consisting of Ella Orr, Tila Martinez, and Lois Preston will nominate WAA officers for next year.



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Are You a Socially Correct Young Lady? "48-49" Editors

Do you put your elbows on the table or try to catch up on your sleep at the breakfast table? Do you proceed, on finishing a meal in a hotel or restaurant, to make yourself beautiful by pulling out a compact or lipstick and applying said cosmetics to give you that school girl complexion? Do you then find that those curly (natural or acquired) locks need attention and proceed to reduce them to some sort of order, letting the chips (or in this case hairs) fall where they may? Do you leave bright scarlet or crimson "lips" on the cup which you have been using? Do you crook your little finger trying to be, oh so dainty? Do you talk and laugh loudly to attract attention, play with the silverware and draw designs on the tablecloth, drop your napkin and pick it up from the floor where you have already dropped an article of silverware and recovered it? Do you put your pocket book or hand bag of mammoth proportions right where your food will be placed so as to make it awkward for the person serving your food? Do you make loud comments on the food and remark how much better the fare was when someone else took you dining? Do you, if you are out to dance as well as dine, hug your partner as if you were afraid that he was going to leave you at the slightest provocation? If so, you are guilty of breaking all the rules of etiquette as outlined by one Emily Post. Etiquette is a great deal more than a social necessity; it is a part of modern mental hygiene. It is wonderful to have islands of certainty to swim to when one plunges into society. In order to make life more simple we must decide what we are going to do in each situation and then dismiss it from our minds.

One great difference between those who belong and those who do not belong lies in which rules they break. Your too meticulous girl or woman may be spotted as an "outsider". How simple it seems for some people to be able to do the right thing at the right time and yet be quite casual about it. It all comes so natural that one is not aware of it.

Good manners are based entirely on kindness, and that means kindness in every walk of life. Rudeness is unpardonable. Also, although it is not always easy to be nice to someone you really cannot like for some reason or other, it is a wise thing to do one's best in cases like this. At all times be yourself and not a copy of someone else, no matter how much you admire that person. Do not try to dress better than anyone else in your set and do not boast of your own achievements, conquests in

love, or greatest of performance in sports. People are not so interested in what you can do, but in what you are—your ability to stimulate, amuse, elevate, or appreciate them. Do not try to be a big frog in a little puddle, or try to be a "leader" all the time. Do not be one who pouts if not given first place. Try to be like the little boy who, finding himself at the end of the marching line in kindergarten one day, said, "Is'e a leadin' the end of the line."

Lady Mendel said that her mother advised her to "Be pretty if you can; be witty if you must; but be agreeable if it kills you." And that, perhaps, sums up everything that makes for social success.

ONE ACT PLAYS

The die is cast! The one-act plays go into their final week of preparation and pop-eyed directors are smoothing out the last wrinkles in their respective plays.

These plays are entirely under the student direction of Donna Campbell, Marilyn Temple, Duke Smith, Nan Harden, Andy Good, and Beth Shultz. Each director has his or her own play. Four of these six plays in production will be chosen to be presented at the Alma High School auditorium.

April April 14 a cutting from the play "He Said and She Said," directed by Donna Campbell, was presented at the college chapel. The actors in this production are: Fred Hemans, Norma Pinkerton, Bette Adams, and Anne Hobart who had a leading role in the Drama club presentation of "Papa Is All."

"The Woman Who Understood Men", under the direction of Marilyn Temple, will provide a great deal of amusement with its setting of romantic trouble. The characters in this play are portrayed by Arlie Bennett, Hank Johnson, Phylis Smith, John Harrison, and Lois Giesekeing, another star of "Papa is All."

Ralph Appell, Dean Ferris, Bill Paine, and Joe Ombry will appear in Duke Smith's production of "If Men Played Cards as Women Do." This play will show you what might happen if men were to form a Wednesday afternoon bridge club.

Nan Harden is directing "The Deceivers" in which a common house burglar solves the problems of a married couple. Bill Baxter, Sherman Fillmore, and Betty Lobenstein handle the roles.

Appearing in "Phipes" will be Mary Ann Morris, Bob Zinn and Dick Reid. "Phipes" is directed by Andy Good and is one of the leading contenders in the race for presentation.

"Overtones" is an appropriate name for the humorous setting of a psychological battle between two young wives. It seems that one woman has the money that the other would like, and the other has a husband that the first would like. Beth Shultz is student director of this play and her cast is composed of Becky Lyberg, Barbara Girvan, Mary York, and Marion Davison.

These plays will be presented on April 30th at 8:00 p.m. Tickets are now on sale at 35c. All seats are unreserved.

**Little Theatre Nite
Friday, April 30**

Nominated

The Publications Committee of Alma College convened Tuesday afternoon, April 13. The chairman, Professor Westley Rowland, presided.

The members agreed to choose the Scotsman and Almanian editors, as specified by the Co-operative Council constitution, and to let the editors choose their respective business managers.

Motion was made and carried that John Metheany continue as Almanian editor for the academic year 1948-49, with the recommendation that he, as editor, try to train an editor for the following year. The secretary will notify him in writing of his selection, and explain that he may choose his own business manager.

Mr. Metheany's suggestion of paying certain competent staff workers was discussed, and the members agreed unanimously that the Almanian should continue to operate on a voluntary basis. Only the editor and business manager shall be paid, but voluntary workers, if competent, ultimately will have the opportunity to be considered for the position of editor or business manager.

Mr. Richard Darbee submitted several names of students interested in working on the Almanian. The following are available immediately: Gene Griffin, Edwin Roberts, and Bill McMillan. Those interested in working in the fall are Robert Patterson, Maxine McLeod, Paul LaGoe, and Elizabeth Williams. Miss Williams is particularly interested in work on the yearbook.

Professor Herman Spencer submitted the names of Robert Freeman and Sally Miller.

There was discussion of the Scotsman editorship, and several names were suggested. Douglas Holland will try to locate a student who is interested in the editorship and who is experienced in yearbook production within the next two weeks.

John Metheany will be in charge of appointing editors for the freshman edition of the Almanian.

Motion was made and carried, the meeting be adjourned.

Biology Students Visited Health Lab.

On April 7th a group of forty students visited the State Health Laboratories in Lansing, Michigan. Arrangements for the trip were made by Dr. Rice with Dr. Cummings, director of the State Health Laboratories, and his assistant Dr. Cope. Students making the trip were seniors majoring in Biology and those contemplating medical school.

The group was shown through the various departments of the laboratories. In the Pathological Lab, they were shown the methods employed in the sectioning of tissues for microscopic examination and in the Fungus Lab they observed the experiments in the study of Athlete's Foot infection and some of the treatments now employed. The process for the identification of TB bacillus was demonstrated. In the Serology Lab the Kahn test was explained. It is required of all marriage applicants.

The second part of the tour was spent going through the laboratory devoted to the production of pharmaceuticals, such as, vaccines and serums for small pox, diphtheria, rabies, whooping cough, and tetanus.

Dr. Cope explained how large animals are used to produce the vaccines for small pox and tetanus. The anti-toxin for diphtheria is taken from the blood of horses which are kept spotlessly clean—even the hay they eat is sterilized.

At the conclusion of the tour, Dr. Cope summarized the part the State Health Laboratories played in making our State a healthier place in which to live.

Preston Winner in Badminton Tournament

Lois Preston, Inkster, was the winner in the final round of the women's badminton tournament. Her opponent and runner-up was Nancy Luther, Saginaw.

Thirty girls participated in the tournament which was sponsored by the WAA under the supervision of Tela Martinez.

STUDENT RECITALS

The Music Department of Alma College presented a program on Wednesday, April 7, at the college chapel.

PROGRAM

- I
My Lady Walks in Loveliness . . . Charles Clayton Bunce, Tenor
- II
Clouds . . . Charles Wilma Brey, Contralto
- III
Pilgrim's Song . . . Tchaikovsky Arlan Edgar, Tenor
- IV
Bondage . . . Test Douglas Davey, Tenor
- V
Un bel di Vedremo (One Vine Day) - "Madame Butterfly" . . . Fuccini Mary Ann Morris, Soprano
- VI
The Last Song . . . Rogers Joann Wilson, Mezzo-Soprano

O. ANDERSON FEATURED IN SENIOR RECITAL

On Wednesday night, April 7th, the Music Department presented Orthella Anderson in a senior piano recital held in the college Chapel. The program included three Scarlotti numbers, a Bach Prelude and Fugue, a Chopin group, three Shostokowitch dances, a Katchaturian Toccata, and concluded with a Debussy Nocturne.

This recital concluded the series of senior recitals that have been presented by the Alma College Music Department this year.

POET'S CORNER

Change

A Great Teacher spoke, "Look up! from above Cometh your help, be calm." Today a teacher speaks, "Look up! from above Cometh your destruction, a bomb."

Take It

Take it Earth, to your bosom, Nurture it as only you can. Without soul, heaven refuses This husk, once called man.

Thought

If things are thoughts from the human mind Are mosquitoes the bickering kind? by Walt Johnson English 46

NEWS CLUB NOTES

The News Club met at 7:00 p.m., April 14, in Room 2 of the Arts Building. The topic under discussion was The Problem in Palestine. Flossie Lifton prepared a summary of the history of the existing situation. The discussion was assisted by Dr. Unstad, Mr. Stielstra, and Mr. Mayer, history teacher from Alma high school.

The group plans to continue the discussion on Palestine next week, using the oil interests as the main topic.

The Bookshelf

Today I shall deal with a very important American work known as "The Leaves of Grass" by Walt Whitman. This book of poetry is America's outstanding contribution to the world of literature, and the poet, Whitman, has already assumed some of the qualities of an American legend or myth. He is the "poet of democracy" as no other man is or shall ever be.

Unfortunately his poetry is more often quoted than read. Whitman's poetry could bear much reading in these troubled times. He has become the prophet or seer of democracy. No other poet, and certainly no prose writer outside of Abraham Lincoln, has made the ideal of democracy so articulate. His poetry, for many people, has become the symbol of a faith and a dream. Not only is he the poet of our national ideal of democracy, he is also the poet of the ideal of international democracy.

Many people still think of Walt Whitman as a crank, a freak, or a barbarian, and it is true that sometimes he seems to be crude, unpoetic, and callous, yet he made himself the mouthpiece for a vigorous, full-blooded, strong, and intensely ambitious America. I recommend him to you.

PHIS PLAN PICNIC

The Phi Phi Alpha Fraternity will hold a closed party, picnic style, on Friday, April 23, at Conservation Park.

According to social chairman, George Lennox, everything will be provided for. There will be music, entertainment, and refreshments, which will include weiners with all their trimmings.

The Phi Formal will follow on May 7th and will close the social season for the school year.

COLLEGE QUARTET TO APPEAR AT CHAPEL

On Wednesday, April 21, Phil Daab and his Cut-Rate Four, often referred to as the Barbershop Quarter of Alma College, will be featured at the chapel.

The quartet is composed of Arlan Edgar, first tenor, Phil Daab, second tenor, John Metheany, baritone, and Bob Christenson, bass. All are students of Alma College and are members of the a cappella choir.

The foursome has appeared before varied groups outside of Alma as well as locally and is considered, as they themselves say, "pretty good."

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