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## College Choir Begins Annual Spring Tour



Pictured above is the Alma College A Cappella Choir of 49 members who began the annual spring concert tour, April 26, singing a program that day at St. Louis high school. The tour of many Michigan cities will conclude May 13 with a concert in the Alma Presbyterian church. The annual commencement concert will be June 1. The choir is under the direction of Professor John A. Merrill, head of the music department.

## A Cappella Choir to Cover Northern Michigan on Week-Long Tour

The Alma College A Cappella Choir of forty-nine voices began its annual spring concert tour at St. Louis High School, on Thursday, April 26.

The complete itinerary for the spring tour includes: April 26, St. Louis High School; April 29, Cadillac First Presbyterian church; April 29, Petoskey First Presbyterian Church; April 30, Rapid River Rural Ag. School; April 30, Marquette, First Presbyterian Church; May 1, Norway high school and Iron Mountain First Presbyterian church; May 2, Gladstone high school and Manistique, Church of the Redeemer; May 3, St. Ignace High School and Sault Ste. Marie, First Presbyterian Church; May 4, Rogers City High School and Alpena, First Presbyterian church; May 13 First Presbyterian church, Alma; June 1, Commencement Concert.

Professor John A. Merrill, head of the Music Department, is the director of the choir. Mr. Merrill came to Alma College in September, 1949 from Owosso High School, where he was director of vocal music. Mr. Merrill attended the University of Toledo and graduated from Ohio State University. He carried on his graduate study at the University of Michigan and Michigan State College, receiving his Master of Music Education from Michigan State in 1948. While in Toledo, Mr. Merrill was active in musical activities, serving as guest artist with the Toledo Friends of Music series in 1944-45. He was associated with the Toledo Light Opera Association, and also chorus master of the Manhattan Productions, Inc. Professor Merrill has been very active in civic musical work. He has organized a choral union at Alma and presented the "Messiah" during the Christmas season. Also, he is musical director of the First Presbyterian Church of Alma.

Since its organization in 1930, the Alma College A Cappella Choir has provided a superior type of music enjoyment for thousands of people. The development of the choir from thirty students, has been an interesting and inspirational process of growth, both in numbers and in purely artistic achievements. The present organization includes forty-nine students who are carefully selected for membership. In building its concert program, the choir presents well chosen groups representing several important periods in musical literature.

Today, the Alma College Choir is recognized as one of the leading choirs in the midwest.

### Choir Program

- I
    - An Easter Hallelujah... Melchoir Vulpus
    - Response No. 3... Palestrina
    - Priest's Chant—Ronald Black, Baritone
    - Thee with Tender Care... J. S. Bach
    - (From the Christmas Oratorio)
    - Richard DeCaste's Prayer to Jesus... Sir R. R. Terry
    - O Magnify the Lord with Me... Composer Unknown
    - Bay State Collection (1950)
  - II
    - Selected Solos from "The Elijah"..... Mendelssohn
    - O Rest in the Lord
    - Jean Austin Kamperman, Contralto
    - Beverly McMullen, Accompanist
    - It is Enough
    - Philip Long, Baritone
    - Carole Rohlf, Accompanist
    - Hear Ye, Israel
    - Mary Ann Morris, Soprano
    - Beverly McMullen, Accompanist
  - III
    - Alleluia..... Randall Thompson
    - Salvation is Created..... Tschernokoff
    - Hear Me, O Lord..... Gretchaninoff
    - God, Our Father..... Ralph A. Harris
    - God is the Light of the World
    - Haydn Morgan
  - IV
    - Now Thank We All Our God... Karg-Elert
    - Beverly Yoder McMullen, Organist
    - Pastures of the Soul..... Carreau
    - Joann Wilson, Mezzo-Soprano
  - V
    - Yonder! Yonder!... Russian Folk Melody
    - Soprano Soloist—Louise Birmingham
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## WSSF Drive Results Announced - \$330

Mr. Wheatley of the Religion Department announced the results of the World Student Service Fund Drive held on campus April 2-6. Contributions totaled \$330. Last years total and this years quota was \$400. However, this year it is pointed out that there was no income from Sacrificial Meals, which netted the drive \$180 a year ago.

As this year's campaign resulted in voluntary contributions of \$.70 per student, the committee feels it was very satisfactory. They wish to thank everyone for their cooperation towards this worthy cause.

## Scholarships Offered Students

Recognizing the need for widespread and generous support of private higher education, Mr. Aben E. Johnson of the Hastings Manufacturing Company, Hastings, Michigan, is making available three scholarships of \$575.00 each to students in Alma College. The students selected are to come from the membership of the Hastings Presbyterian Church, preferably from families in the employ of the Hastings Manufacturing organization. Applicants for the scholarships must present satisfactory high school records and be willing to earn a portion of their college expenses.

The students selected to receive the benefits of these scholarships for the year 1951-52 are Willard Payne, Pauline Cheney, and David Scobey.

"Do you know anything of my wife's whereabouts?" Mr. I. C. asked his cook. "Yes, sir," was the prompt answer. "She put them in the wash."

## Alumni Hold Spring Reunions

In several Michigan cities, Alma alumni group are holding reunions this spring. The first to assemble were the Detroiters, who held a supper meeting at the Warren Valley Country Club on Tuesday, April 17. Herb Estes, '34, of Ann Arbor, president of the Alma Alumni Association, presided. Estes reports that 110 persons were in attendance. Guests of the Detroit group were Royal Campbell, '10, famous Alma College athletic coach from 1921 to 1936, Mrs. Campbell, '13, Lloyd Eaton, present athletic director, Ralph Appell, '50, director of admissions, and Dr. and Mrs. Harker. Eaton and Appell spoke briefly, and Dr. Harker gave the talk of the evening. New officers for the coming year are: Ward Campbell, '35, president; Dr. W. V. Crittenden, '23, vice president; Mrs. F. H. Seavitte, '40, secretary; F. H. Seavitte, '39, treasurer. The group made plans for a summer meeting, to be held in charge of the newly elected executive group.

On Friday evening, April 20, some forty Saginaw alumni met in the Warren Avenue Presbyterian Church of that city for a supper meeting. Guests of the group were the Reverend Nelson Dalenberg, minister of the host church, Mrs. Dalenberg, and Dr. and Mrs. Harker. Gordon Mann, '38, presided. The vice president, Mrs. William Baxter, '48, introduced Dr. Harker, who spoke informally, encouraging questions from the group concerning their Alma Mater. A picnic meeting was planned for the summer, to be in charge of Gerald Barnett, '41, Stephen Keglavit, '37, and Harry J. Morley, '45.

The Midland group will meet on Friday, April 27, for a supper in the First Presbyterian Church of that city, and will have as their

## Student, Admin. Councils Meet in Joint Session

Group Led by President Discussion Covers All Phases of College Life

By David Cornell

Last April 12, 1951, there was held a joint session of the Administrative Council and the Student Council, at which many long awaited changes were discussed by the body. Present at this history-making session, were Dr. Harker, Dan Clark, Richard Nisbet, Eldon Bailey, Ruth Rose, David Cornell, Miss Parrish, Dr. Potter, Judy Phillips, Dr. McKeefery, June Towersey, Marilyn Tweedie, Miss McKinney, Park Watson, and Dean Stielstra. Dr. Harker, at the very beginning of the meeting expressed that he was a supporter of student voice and responsibility in College affairs, and he also said that he wanted to see more responsibility given to the students here at Alma. This touched off a very lively discussion of the ills of Alma College that lasted the four hours from 7:30 to 11:30 p. M.

First, the lack of interest in the Student Council was pointed out by the Council in General because no one sits in at the meetings, although they are open to the public and the council encouraged their attendance by the students. Along this line it was also pointed out that the student body in general doesn't know who their Student Council representative is. And it was pointed out that last year when the council had to police the chow hall line that there was lack of respect for the council representatives even though they had been elected by the students and were doing it to give everybody a fair shake.

Next there was a discussion on the lack of school spirit on the part of the majority of the students at Alma and how Alma had the reputation of being a 'suit-case college.

It was shown that when the students of Alma want to and have the spirit they can do it as exemplified by the Alma Kalamazoo championship football game last fall; and how not only was everything run smoothly but that all students cooperated and worked very hard in preparation for the game so that all the behind the scenes work as well as the game itself went like clock-work, even better than Homecoming. The thing the body intends to do now is to cultivate more student interest in the school and its campus activities. Another group of facts made known to the group was that the campus activities in general are very poorly supported and that in every thing the same small group of people do all the work. Even the dances and social activities are not as well supported as they should be.

The next thing that popped up out of this discussion was if the council (student) was given more responsibility would it be overshadowed by the faculty. The faculty denied this and showed a sincere desire to give the council more powers but what these would be was not discussed or considered but the faculty injected the view, "ask and the council would receive" what they

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## Inauguration Will Be on Campus

Inauguration of Dr. John Stanley Harker as president of Alma College will be held at 3:00 p. m. on Friday, May 18, at the college. Dr. Hugh Ivan Evans, moderator of the Presbyterian Church, will deliver the main address.

Educational institutions in Michigan and the Presbyterian related colleges in the United States are invited to send representatives.

The complete inauguration program is as follows:

11:00 a. m. Registration of official Representatives.

1:00 p. m. Luncheon.

2:30 p. m. Assembly for Academic Procession.

3:00 p. m. Inauguration Ceremony in Memorial Gymnasium.

4:30 p. m. Reception in the President's Home.

A faculty committee composed of Dean William J. McKeefery, Dean William Stielstra, Dean Mary McKinney, and Professors A. W. Rowland and Harlan McCall is working with the board of trustee committee composed of A. E. Merritt, business manager, and William McFadden, secretary of the board, in making the arrangements.

## Choir

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Annie Laurie ..... Lady John Scott  
Arr.-Gail Kubik  
Little Bird, Little Bird .....  
American Folk Song  
Sketch-Arr.-Gail Kubik  
Big Rock Candy Mountain .....  
American Folk Song  
Arr.-Goldman  
Same Train ..... Negro Spiritual  
Arr.-Goldman  
There is a Balm in Gilead .....  
Negro Spiritual  
Contralto Soloist—Rosemary Graham  
Arr.-Dawson  
Oh John ..... Negro Spiritual  
Arr.-Reynolds

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### DELTA NEWS

Rain, rain, go away, and don't come back in May!

We, at the Delta House are praying for good weather for our annual formal that's to be held over in Saginaw on May 5. Much talk about summer dinner jackets and the dark suits and tuxes.

Chilli Williams has just been made Emperor of the House. This was made possible by a recent set of rules by Kamperman.

The "Gold Dust Twins," (Ross & Woolson) were diverted from their studies not so long ago by "Suds" Nudds. Last week the tide turned, and it was Nudds who had to get up at 6 a.m. and study for an early morning test.

We're out for the intramural athletic trophy and the boys are bound to get it. Williams heads up one baseball team and Don Adamson the other.

Flash. Phil Daab, Alma '51, is again a proud papa. This time it's a boy. The bambino was born a few weeks ago, but we've missed the press deadline lately.

### Phi Lip

Another "Prodigal Son" returned to the Phi Fold Tuesday morning, after having journeyed to the "Windy City" for a four-day lost weekend with "Happy Birthday" as the theme song. Welcome home Mister Meehean!

Our good friend and loyal brother Jake Sommerville has, through no fault of his own, had to lay off—Doctor's Orders! ah, these are the times that try men's souls.

Flash! It seems a certain D. C. showed definite signs of being quite highly infatuated after an evening with a certain Phi. The night of April 25th wasn't it, Mr. King? Great American institution—going steady!

Can any well meaning soul inform us as to who the "New Joy" is in Dick Roth's life?

In answer to the many questions about our brother with pneumonia; Art Turner was removed from the hospital to his home on the afternoon of Tuesday, April 24th and is from all reports well on the road to recovery. He may, his physician notified us, return to classes on Monday next if he's feeling that well.

Ah, Spring! wet through it be, the season when a college man's fancy turns to what a college woman has been fancying all winter! "So when it's raining remember..."

### Alpha Theta News

Whew! Just finished painting the sorority room in time for the meeting Monday night. Many thanks go out to our new members who faithfully devoted their time and energy to the reconstruction. Our meeting ended with a surprise kitchen shower on our newlywed, Mrs. Bruce Songer. The seventh gift opened was that presented by Marianne... looks like she's been holding out on us. What do you say, Bob? Our honorable president, Jean came thru with homemade cakes for the event—mighty tasty too!

The final initiation service took place in the sorority room before we went to Fershee's for dinner. We're very happy to have ten new members, even though the big sisters will have to get back to work and do their own cleaning from now on. We're glad to have you in, Kids—honest!

We have great hopes for that softball team of ours—only we would like to start play... what weather!! We hear Mary Jo is being coached by her man of the moment, Jack Doren, in

the elements of softball.

You could tell by Gwen's smile that all was well, last weekend, but that was understandable with that big casanova from State here. What girl wouldn't swoon.

Congratulations, Peggy, on your part in the recital last Monday nite.

Back to scrubbing our own floor as my little sis insists she has graduated and I can do it myself.

## Alma Alumnus New President

Mr. Russell H. Wilson (B.A., Alma College, 1923; M.A., University of Michigan) was elected President of the Michigan Education Association at the annual meeting of the Representative Assembly of the M.E.A. at Lansing on April 6. Mr. Wilson has been Superintendent of Schools at Alpena since 1936. Before coming to Alpena, he was a high school teacher and principal at Manistique, Michigan. He is a veteran of World War I.

Mr. Wilson is a member of various Masonic bodies, including Blue Lodge, Chapter, Commandery, and Shrine, and is Past Commander of Alpena Commandery No. 34, Knights Templar.

He has been active in Michigan educational circles throughout his professional career.

## Men More Sincere in Activities

Urbana, Ill. — (I.P.) — Coeds' enthusiasm over campus activities comes to a boil much earlier in their collegiate lives than that of men students—but the men are more in earnest once they become activity-minded. Annual report of Miss Irene D. Pierson, social director of the Illini Union on the campus of the University of Illinois, shows a higher percentage of freshman and sophomore girls take part in activities, "whereas the interest of men is in reverse, and seems to increase during the junior and senior years."

This, she said, is because men nearing graduation "realize that campus activities can help them get a job and can be of service to them in later life, while women use them to get acquainted on the campus and then give them up as they get socially active."

Another report released by the Senate disciplinary committee shows that less than half as many students were called on the carpet for disciplinary action last year than the year before, but the number dismissed from the university remained about the same. The committee's report reveals that last year's biggest headache was cheating on exams, mainly in the large group tests where no identification of the student is required. Cash fines proved an effective curb on certain types of regulations concerning motor ve-

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hicles, bicycles, and smoking in university building areas. During the year, the subcommittee on discipline, which heard most of the cases, considered 126 offenses as compared with 286 the previous year. However, of the 126 cases, 28 were dismissed from school as compared with 27 for the preceding year.

Prof Clack: "What is the difference between a shiny new nickle and an old penny?"  
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# Sports

Bob Lewis

## Diamond Crew Splits with Hope; Meet Albion Monday at Davis Field

The Alma College baseball team made a successful 1951 debut Friday as it edged past Ferris Institute, 3-2. Then on Saturday, coach Bruce Butler's squad travelled to Holland for its first MIAA doubleheader, with Hope as the opponent.

The Scots split with the Dutchmen, losing the first, 4-3, but copping the nightcap, called at the end of five innings because of rain, 10-5.

Inactive this weekend, the Scots will resume play Monday, April 30, when Albion College, last year's MIAA champs, will invade Davis Field. Despite its early season, double-loss to Hope, Albion still remains very much a contender.

Hillsdale College was the first to realize this, as Albion pinned a 3-1 loss on the Dales Saturday behind the five-hit pitching of Chappie Marvin. Hillsdale planned to protest alleged stalling by Albion in the second game of this doubleheader. The Dales were leading, 4-2, when the contest was called in the fourth inning because of a league ruling ending games by 6 p. m.

Game time for Monday's doubleheader here is 1 p. m.

Scot moundsman Gerry McKeith proved effective in the clutches as he pitched four-hit ball to lead Alma in its 3-2 opening victory against Ferris.

McKeith had his wild moments as he gave ten Bulldog batters a free ride on the base paths. However, he struck out 11 to make up for it, and the 13 Ferris runners left stranded on the base

MIAA BASEBALL		
Team	W	L
Hope	3	1
Alma	1	1
Adrian	1	1
Kalamazoo	1	1
Albion	1	2
Hillsdale	0	1

paths proved his ability to bear down in the pinches.

Both squads played good defensive ball, with only one error being charged in the game, that on to Alma. The Scots also completed the only double-play, Penner to Garrett to Gadzinski.

Bob Naru, right-fielder and catcher, led Alma's hitting brigade with two singles. He drove in one run and scored another himself.

In the first game at Hope Saturday, Alma out-slugged the Dutchman eight hits to five, but failed to cash in on the breaks. Hope bunched two hits together in the second inning, after two men had walked to score three runs, and two innings later scored what was to be the winning run on a hit batsman, a fielder's choice and two wild pitches.

Star hurler Chuck Saxton was the victim of the uprising as he gave up only two bases on balls while striking out ten.

Rich Garrett, Bob Naru and "Lefty" Gadinski led the Scot hitting attack with two hits each.

Alma exploded for eight runs in a big fifth inning to take the nightcap, 10-5.

Scot hurler Mike Bramble gave up six hits in posting Alma's first MIAA win of the year. Hope's pitcher, Ensing, yielded only six hits too, but four of them came in the fifth inning, sand-



"Is it to be a formal affair?"

wiched in among three walks and two errors.

Ron Penner and Bob Naru each had a single and a double to take batting honors for the Scots. Naru was the batting star of the day as his big bat boomed out four hits in seven trips to the plate, driving in one run and scoring two more himself.

Alma	AB	R	H
Penner, 2b	3	1	1
Hoffman, 3b	4	0	0
Naru, rf-c	4	1	2
Leaver, rf	1	0	0
Mohre, c	3	0	1
Coe, lf	3	0	1
Horman, lf	0	1	0
Garrett, ss	2	0	1
Nudds, cf	3	0	1
Vaughn, cf	1	0	0
Gadzinski, 1b	4	0	0
McKeith, p	3	0	0

Totals ..... 31 3 7

Ferris	101	000	01-3
Ferris	010	000	001-2

Alma	000	002	001-3
Hope	030	100	00-4

Saxton and Mohre; Dennison and Harvey.

Alma	101	08-10
Hope	100	13-5

Bramble and Mohre; Ensing and Jacobson.

## Ferris Gains Revenge, 6-5

### Scot Nine Beaten in 12-Inning Tilt

The Scot's baseball squad went into extra innings Monday when it met Ferris at Big Rapids, and finally fell to the Bulldogs, 6-5.

The 12-inning affair was marred by ten fielding errors, six for Alma and four for Ferris.

Scot hurler Jack Bennett gave up two runs on three hits and six walks in the five innings he worked, striking out seven.

He was relieved in the sixth by Dick Nudds who went the rest of the distance. Nudds, victim of a three-run Bulldog eighth inning uprising, was charged with the loss.

Alma built up a 5-2 lead going into the eighth inning when the three-run Ferris outburst tied up the score.

Both teams failed to muster up enough scoring punch until the bottom of the 12th when Ferris scored the winning run on a double and a single evening up the two-game series at one win each.

Four Scots led Alma's batting attack: Gadzinski, Garrett, Mohre and Coe. Each had two hits.

## Harriers Off to Adrian Saturday

### Vie at Mt. Pleasant; Golfers Win Second Meet, Netmen too

The Alma College track team opens the 1951 season yesterday (Thursday) when it journeys to Mt. Pleasant for a dual meet with Central Michigan College. The Scots MIAA debut will be held on Saturday, April 28, when they meet Adrian College at Adrian.

The first home meet of the young season will be held Tuesday, May 1, at the college track grounds, beginning at 3:00. The Scots opponent will be Calvin.

Coach Lloyd Eaton has been hampered by the weather in giving his squad a real workout, so in the initial meet he will be more or less experimenting with his boys.

The college golf squad won its second meet in a row Friday when Adrian College was whipped, 14-1. Stites was low man in the match with an 82; followed by Sadler, 83; Fowler, 84; Rodgers, 86; and Harrison, 90.

Victorious over Ferris Monday, the squad will entertain Albion at the Pine River Course. Tee-off time is 1:30.

The Scot tennis team is beginning to show its class as it whipped Ferris twice, once on April 23 by the score of 6-1, and again on April 23 by the closer score of 4-3.

The squad travelled to Grand Rapids J. C. Saturday, but was walloped, 7 to 0. The Alma netters failed to win a single game as they bowed to the powerful J. C. squad.

On April 28, the team will open its MIAA stand in a clash with Adrian College at Adrian. Then on Monday, the Scots will play their first conference match at home when they meet Hope College at the Wright Avenue Courts. Starting time is 2:00.

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## Coming Events

### ALMA COLLEGE SCOTS Spring Sports Schedule Baseball

April 30—Alma College vs. Albion, (2)..

May 5—Alma College vs. Kazoo, (2).

May 8—Alma College vs. Univ. of Detroit.

May 12—Alma College at Hillsdale, (2).

May 21—Alma College at University of Detroit.

### Track

April 28—Alma College at Adrian.

May 1—Alma College vs. Calvin.

May 5—Alma College at Hope.

May 8—Alma College at Hillsdale.

May 12—Alma College vs. Hope.

### Tennis

April 28—Alma College at Adrian.

April 30—Alma College vs. Hope.

May 2—Alma College at Univ. of Detroit.

May 4—Alma College at Albion.

May 5—Alma College at Calvin.

May 8—Alma College vs. Kazoo.

May 11—Alma College vs. Mich. Normal.

May 12—Alma College at Hillsdale.

### Golf

April 27—Alma College at Hope.

May 1—Alma College vs. Albion.

May 4—Alma College at Kazoo.

May 8—Alma College vs. Calvin.

May 12—Alma College at Hillsdale.

Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association Field Day at Kalamazoo College, May 17-18.

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# Joint Session Meets

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wanted. On this point there was also discussion by some of the students: "Should the students be given more power because they have not exercised to the fullest extent their present powers?" This criticism was admitted by the rest of the students but this fault is caused by the fact the Student Council is not free from the self-same curse of no interest.

Then some individual topics where there is need of revival and corrections were taken up. They were: Chapel, and chapel-cut system, Cheating and a honor system, the cutting of classes, and the cut rules. Other topics discussed were: the Almanian and its appear and disappear policy, the non drinking rule, its affects on the student and consequences, and also Fraternity co-operation, and the lack of it.

In regard to chapel it was discussed and admitted that speakers in general last year were poor and that even though there has been a vast improvement in the chapel services this year and they were not accompanied by good assemblies. Dr. Harker expressed the majority

opinion when he said that all we are now getting is Sunday's sermon warmed over. There is no continuity to the services and one of the things that can be done is to have more student participation. Then this was mullied over whether or not the students would be willing or not to take part. In regard to chapel cuts, Dr. McKeefery expressed his willingness for the last month of this year and the first of the next school year to have a honor system, or a "no compulsion set up on an experimental basis, to see if it would work. We all know the advantages if all who went were there to worship and not to study or read the morning news.

Cheating, as the plague of the campus, was discussed next. The student members of the group said that cheating was very widespread even beyond that known by the instructors. It has spread so widely that it's "cheat or flunk" and is almost universal disease on the campus. An honor system was suggested and the faculty was very willing to make changes as fast as feasibility and practical considerations make it possible. (Even to the extent of making a honor system a realization in time for exams) is next to impossible because of lack of time.

Next a heated discussion took place over the class cutting issue. Last year when the policy was a general one for all the students wanted a Teachers discretion policy because they believed it would prove to be more lenient. But although in some cases it was more lenient, in general it wasn't and the students thought that there should be no class attendance requirements or else some other policy should be pursued which would be better than the present. There was some approval of the present system when it was explained that the student in some courses was robbing his classmates of helpful contributions by being absent, especially when he or she was a good student. It was pointed out that in some courses the lectures are a vital part of the course which can't be obtained through

books or other means. The Faculty promised further consideration of the matter.

In regard to the Almanian, it was decided that a bigger staff was needed, and that interest in the school paper by more students would make it a better paper and enable it come out every week.

The next discussion was a brief one on the subject that there was a need for more cooperation between the Fraternities and Sororities. The answer to this question, they believed, would come with the revival of the school spirit as the lack of cooperation is not caused by bitterness or animosities between the Greeks but by the fact that no one seems to want to work. And it is hoped this will come naturally with the instilling of "school spirit" into students.

The last and longest discussion was over the non-drinking rule at the college. Even though it was long only a few things came out of it. The first decision was either let's have it or not have it, instead of the hood-winking policy that we now have. One of the best suggestions offered was let's remove the rule and the drinking for the sake of the rule will stop. Also it was believed that there would be no drinking on the immediate campus and that no one would come to classes drunk or even partially so. Otherwise we should enforce the rule to the hilt and have our student body composed of non-drinking individuals because we, by our present conduct, turn just as many away from the college as we bring in under the present set up; or keep the new college policy which is to enforce it well with less stringent punishment. These new rules it is believed will be released in a very short time from Dean McKeefery Office.

The main theme of the whole meeting was: 1. That the students of Alma College should and can have more voice in the college's affairs. 2. That the students have some of that good old fashioned school spirit before the college will become any better. 3. The best way to show them that the faculty are their friends and want to help them. 4. The best way to help them acquire the needed interest and ambition.

Now is the time for all able bodied Almanians (the new Almanians with pep) to come to the aid of their College. So let's hear your suggestions and anything else that you may want to tell the faculty, the paper, or the student council. Let's take these opportunities and not turn them down as some members present said that the students shouldn't have these powers as it might cause embarrassment and besides they didn't want to have to judge their fellow students. But these students did want us to help show the student body that the faculty was human and wanted to help us. So we at least have a starting point. Now let's go to town and make Alma College a college to be proud of, and a place where ambition reigns supreme.

### NOW IS THE TIME TO:

- Write a term paper
- Snag a man for tonight's dance
- Start being nice to Profs
- Begin your bug collection
- Keep off the grass
- Study for Semester 130
- Make plans for summer
- Write a term paper!
- Play golf (or tennis)
- Order corsage for Formal
- Keep off Bahlke Field
- Attend Scot baseball games
- Write a term paper!!!
- Do something about that blemish
- Make ready for Open House
- Consider candidates for elections
- Lay in a supply of midnight oil
- Guard against attacks of Spring Fever
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# Sixty Coeds Solve World Problems

Sixty outstanding coeds, representing 51 colleges, 30 states and five foreign countries were brought to New York by MADEMOISELLE magazine to discuss The United States and Asia with international diplomats, educators and experts in Asian affairs.

The day-long conference, MADEMOISELLE's Eighth Annual College Forum, was held Saturday, April 14, at the Hotel Roosevelt.

The morning session opened with a panel on The People of Asia; the speakers were Derk Bodde, Professor of Chinese at the University of Pennsylvania and author of Peking Diary; and Santha Rama Rau, author of East of Home. Speaking mostly of China, Mr. Bodde warned of the strong anti-American feeling there now and pointed out that it was largely psychological in origin, a result of colonialism. The Chinese need a great deal, but they don't want to have things done for them by outsiders at the expense of their national independence.

Miss Rama Rau challenged the singular ignorance in the United State of Asians. The path to winning over the Asians as allies, she said, lies through understanding and respecting them as people (and she suggested, as a concrete step, that young people like her listeners might take their vacations in Asia instead of the more usual trip to Europe). She emphasized that, as urgently as Asia needs material help, material help given without cultural understanding will make us enemies rather than friends. We must not, Miss Rama Rau said, expect Asians to become Americans and react to the same incentives. It's meaningless to talk to an Asian about a system "where every boy can grow up to be President"—he is still too deeply concerned with whether or not every boy can grow up.

The next speaker was Ralph E. Turner of the History Department of Yale University and former chief of the Far Eastern Division of the Board of Economic Warfare. In discussing Asia's Role in World Politics Mr. Turner pointed out that it is based on what Asians want for themselves—better education for their children, better medical service, better economic status—and what they are determined to do in order to achieve their objectives. They are firm in their intention of getting rid of "Western imperialism," and will accept no help if it comes with strings attached.

Subject of the third panel was What America Can Offer to Asia and the speaker was Phillips Talbot of the Institute of Current World Affairs and former correspondent for the Chicago Daily News. He pointed out that the one thing America cannot offer to Asia is a solution to all its problems. We should step in firmly, and without political bargaining, to meet immediate material needs, principally for food. But the real, long-range service we can offer Asians is to help them telescope, on their own ground, our century and a half of industrial progress: to help them achieve in relatively

few years a state of economic development which will be capable of regulating the disastrous cycle of overpopulation and famine.

There was a luncheon address by Sir Benegal Narsing Rau, permanent representative from India to the United Nations, on What Asia Can Offer the World. India, he said, feels it can offer most to the world by holding to its independence of judgment, refusing to be wholly committed to any nation or group or opinion, using its influence and its U.N. vote to try to guide each issue toward a just and peaceful outcome. Citing the example of Gandhi he said that "if a single individual, organization or country can set in motion the right kind of idea, it may ultimately move the world."

In presenting A Chinese Nationalist's View of Asia, Dr. C. L. Hsia, alternate representative of China on the Security Council, criticized the American determination to fight a limited war only in Korea and not to call upon the Chinese troops on Formosa. Such a decision he said, is a contradiction and an impossibility: We cannot hope to negotiate an acceptable peace with the Chinese Reds so long as they are undefeated, and we cannot defeat them in Korea. They have only to withdraw across the Yalu River to safety, gather their forces undisturbed and come back.

Subject of the sixth panel was A Positive American Program in Asia and the speaker was John K. Fairbank of Harvard University, Associate Chairman in charge of the Regional Studies Program on China. The central question here, according to Mr. Fairbank, is how to find the right, workable, constructive combination of military strength with psychological understanding of material aid and economic reform. Without military strength, he pointed out, Asia can be used against us no matter how friendly it is; and yet the presence of American military potential in Asia without sincere efforts at psychological understanding is a powerful alienating factor. In the same way no amount of reform can supply Asia's pressing needs for food and technical assistance, but material aid without reform is at best a stopgap.

Student discussion directly followed each speaker and a final panel consisted of meetings in small groups between delegates and individual speakers for further discussion of each topic. Summaries of these discussions were given to the Forum at large by Leslie Connery of Radcliffe College, Felicia Lee of Wesleyan College, Barbara Bounds of Allegheny College and Mary Ladd of the State University of Iowa.

Chairman of the Forum was Arthur N. Holcombe, Government Department of Harvard University.

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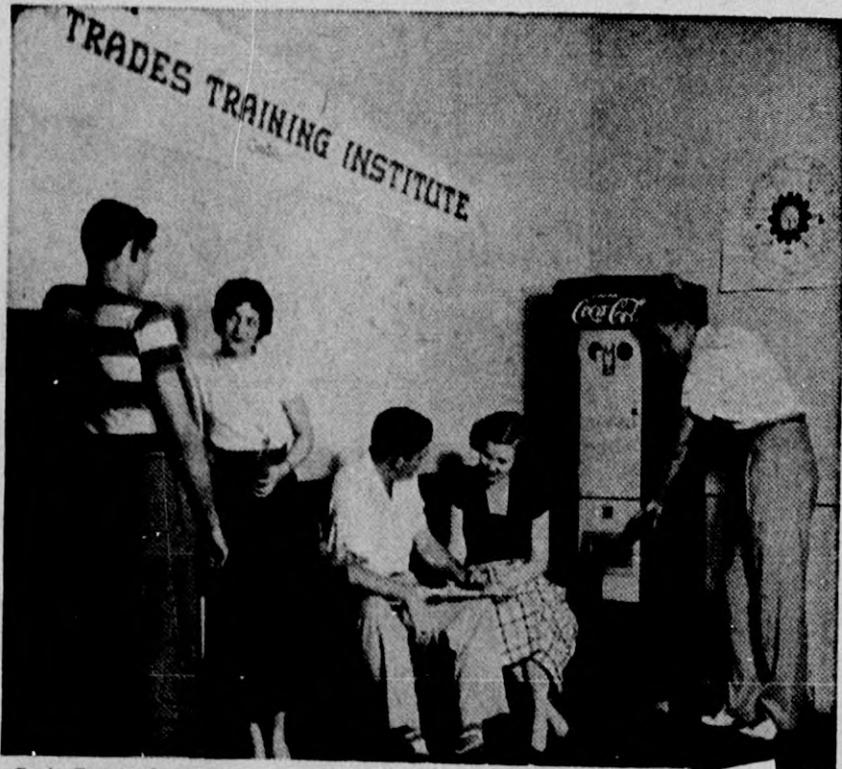
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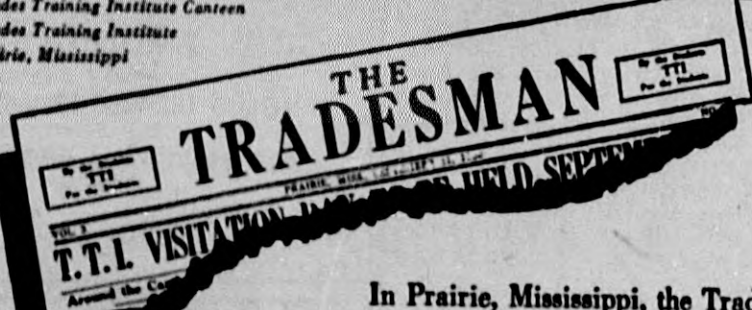
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