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"Have You Heard About—???"

Word of mouth has long been a very useful and helpful hint a little ago that Greek Gab columns be shorter; so—I'm own ideas and convictions with those of his neighbor. How- tired anyway. ever on our campus there has sprung up the abuse of this method of communication into what is termed the "GRAPE-VINE." I am sure that it is well named for the users of this looking forward to your helping odious practice certainly do exhibit the mentality of some of us pick one. But we must say

All that is needed to become a user of this "GRAPE-VINE" is an utter disregard for the feelings of others and an extremely long nose, which is essential for poking into has been an outbreak of practical nade, boys.

More hard feeling and uncalled for cruelty has resulted been torn up, alarm clocks have from this desire for gossip than could be produced if we been ringing in the middle of the chose up sides and declared an open war. I think it is about time that most of us "wised-up" and stopped this practice.

Saturday a mass pillow fight was

After all, no one is perfect or there certainly would be

After all, no one is perfect or there certainly would be no reason for the erasers on the end of pencils. When one of use december 1 as well occasionally happen, our case can be very capably handled by our two very capable deans. Why not let them decide whether the offender should be punished rather than crucifying him or her on a cross of malicious gossip. In conclusion let me suggest that all of us take a good look around us and make the resolution that the next time we hear someone say, "Did you hear about----?" we will immediately endeavor to show that person that such talk only immediately endeavor to show that person that such talk only immediately endeavor to show that person the conditions of the property of the morning. As of the pillows are still deep around the beds.

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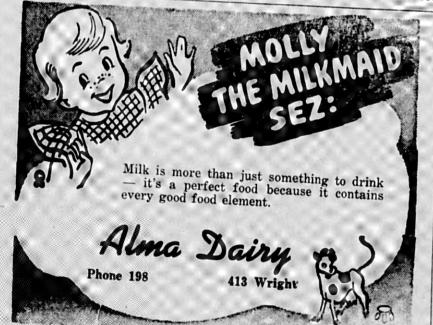
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two or three weeks back. Sorta out the meaning yet?-Just think seems funny to be scratching the of ping pong, cards, and dancing. ure out what event deserves men- night and aid us in initiating the

It's a good thing Thanksgiving and Christmas vacations aren't too far apart. What with all the Art Turner tests coming up we'd be nervous Peg Lomas chance to partake of it though.

obvious.

Seems as though Long and Kinner have extra special friends Mary Ellen Splitstone, Editor to know is why they're afraid to must have the idea we're all wolves or somethin'.

e Lockwood, Bob Young Why is it that romance always takes the spotlight? Here it is not even spring-in fact it's raining now-enough to dampen my thoughts on that subject.

Hard-working Haase came through with orders for a field day Saturday. Must have a dig-nitary comin' around. Guess who washes the Venetian blinds again!

Just want to mention that Zeta Sigma's gonna choose a sweet-heart in about a month. We're now—there is to be no stuffing of the ballot box—Sorry, fellas.

Phi-Lip

jokers around the house. Books Saturday a mass pillow fight was night—sure hope I see you there.

for fuel. This did the trick and a load of coal is now on its way.

A bridge marathon is being held in the house this week. Dick Roth and Cliff Pitts have been at it for 37 hours now and it looks as if they can carry on for another two days at least. The two winners get a free box of NO-NODS. The winners will be announced next week.

ALDIA THETA NEWS

With the Thanksgiving vacation over and our grades tucked safely away, we return with new resolves for the remainder of the semester, even though we didn't seem to find time for that book reaction or term paper which is due this week. Old man weather hasn't put us in a Christmas mood, but the Frosh Frolic certainly did. The uniqueness of the decorations was fascinating. A mighty busy week too, with our Monday night meeting topped off with a dinner at the home of Mrs. Roberts, assisted by Mrs. Pater-Roberts, assisted by Mrs. Paterson. That Christmas plum pudding sure reminded us of home.

Tuesday night found us over at the gym, fighting once more for that championship. Those poor gals whose muscles are being inaugurated for the first time since augurated for the first time since Frosh Phys. ed! Wednesday night was devoted to our presence at the junior recital of Rosemary Rogers and Phil Long. As for music they can't be beat and it was a great success. Thursday evvening we returned for a command performance of our volley-ball skills. This evening all our

Zete Sigma News: efforts and talents will be assim-What a vacation no paper for ilated in the "Picada" - figured "ole' cranium again to try to fig- So "com'on" over to the union toping-pong tournaments!

KAPPA KAPERS

Here we are again after a refreshing vacation over the Thanksgiving holiday. It was just breather before we enter into the Christmas season. Before the Anyway—it was rather good to See everybody out in their finery party in the sorority room. Music, house is the double-pinochle fe-Pat Shaw, Editor confirmed dance goers now.

Our boy John L. is still getting popping corn, while Hilma served a variety of soft drinks for a beverage. The pinochle tournament than white! If you ever get stuck was won by Jan and Jan, who re- in Lansing again in the rain, Nels, ceived silver cups presented by be sure and have a car that doesn't

Tobin sit in at our meeting. Pat here com-our two star bears

Larry Stevens and Jim Whyatt So long for now. were cameramen who took our sorority picture at our meeting Monday night while everyone said "cheese". We had some trouble getting Greta to co-operate, but everything turned out all right. Thanks loads, Larry and Jim.

Our volley ball team has had a pretty successful season up to now. We hope to keep on winning our games.

During the meeting the Phi's came over and serenaded Dee Combs, who was pinned by Bob King last week. Dee said it was the sweetest music that she had ever heard. Some K. I.'s went over to the Phi House after the meeting to serenade Bob, who was reported to be in the showers and not voluntarily. Not only Dee but The last couple of weeks there all the K. I.'s enjoyed the sere-

SIG SEZ

It's been a long time-almost forgot the name of this column. We're now all set for our dime dance after the game tomorrow

even in volleyball. On this cheer-

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ALMA RECORD

ful note, I leave you 'til next week "don't say it ain't been-!"

DELT DATA

We're glad to announce that our Delt Monte Carlo was a big suc. cess. About 45 couples were present to dance and gamble. We hear that Bill Fretz was also trying to make some illegal money besides his regular stack.

Quite a few of the boys are wondering who is giving Jim Whyatt those mysterious phone calls. Any clue to the answer to this mystery will be appreciated Maybe someone in Wright Hall

Notes to members: For Larry Stevens, we suggest — Rinso, the soap that gets white things whiter derived silver cups presented by Marcia, who was in charge of entertainment. Our next party will be just before Christmas vacation.

We were glad to see Pat Medler

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Sports

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Basketball Season Under Way

The Alma College Scots open their 1951-52 basketball season in the MIAA against Hope College tomorrow night at the Memorial Gymnasium. The Scots have a good chance to the title this year, and enthusiasm is high over the squad's potentialities. Hope presents a big hurdle and Alma must win if they hope to repeat last year's record. Tuesday, Alma meets the Albion Britons, who represent an even higher hurdle if the team is to get off to a fast start. Albion, the defending MIAA basketball champion, is (as usual) the team to beat. Two meetings with the Britons last year resulted in a win and a loss for the Scots, which is also the same tune played against Hope in '50-51. Incidentally, it should be remembered that the loss

So here is good luck to Coach Bill Lawrence as he begins his first ing. This tribute to the fine team Dunne ,Albion, and Gene Nyenseason as Scot cage mentor-here is hoping that his boys can break the jinx on Alma held by Hope College tomorrow night.

Hope, Albion to **Be Encountered** in League Play

games behind, the Alma Scots open the MIAA basketball title race Saturday night and by Coach Fred Lawrence in per-Tuesday evening in the second league clash.

Losses to Central Michigan last week by very narrow

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vin last Thursday evening for the tribution and a 21 man squad. With three non-conference Alma team is much stronger than was first indicated by its two suc cessive losses.

come back again on Tuesday fecting some of the "set" offense plays of the Scots though it is exnight for the second league pected they will again utilize, as battle. Opponent for this ini-tial conference tilt here Sat-score 81 points against Calvin. urday evening will be Hope while Albion is entertained at Memorial Gymnasium next games, only ones booked before the holidays for the Scots, but it is expected there will be little change in the line-up.

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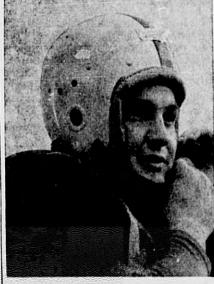
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Bob Acton

Co-champions Hope and Alma Kalamazoo; fullback-John Hamplaced ten men on the All-MIAA lin, Hope. to Hope last year cost Alma the championship.

In February the Alma cagemen travel to Detroit to battle the highly touted Lawrence Tech. squad under the terrific coaching of only two men named in the voting the fine team.

21 man squad announced this past weekend but it was Hope that had most of these for the Scots had only two men named in the voting.

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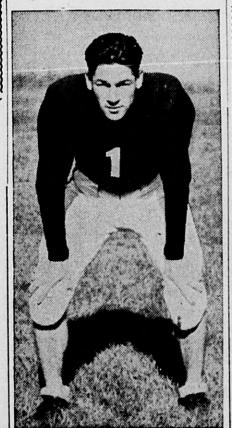
cance to the Scots when the ed on both on both the offense anke, Albion; safetyman, Don-Chips downed the University unit and the defense unit while Piersma, Hope. of Michigan ball club last Satur- Capt. Bob Acton was teamed with day night by a 60-43 margin, him on the defense squad at a much worse than Central was line-backing post. Jordon Iatrou able to defeat the Scots in either of Adrian was placed at center on encounter. This added boost to the stock of the Scots, coupled with the 81-74 victory over Calders team to bring uneven distribution and a 21 man squad

Hope placed four men on each squad with an end, tackle, guard and fullback winning the offense of to a good start this year with berths, while another end, tackle, guard and safety man placed on the gym to play some hard, fast the defense unit. The offense full-back spot which Alma fans and many others about the state felt should have gone to Alma's Harold "Dub" Martin, was captured by John Hamilton, the freshman fullback from Hone fullback from Hope.

Four men were placed from Kalamazoo, four from Hillsdale two far this season and the games from Albion and Alma and only have been close as far as scoring. one from Adrian to make up the Team standings as of December 21 man squad which is as follows: 5 are:

The offensive team: End—Ken Bauman, Hope, and Jim Stefoff, Kalamazoo; tackles-Fred Yonkman, Hope, and Al Ziebart, Hillsdale; guards-Jim Van Hoeven, Hope, and Charlie Rohr, Hillsdale; center—Jordon Iatrou, Adrian; quarterback —Phil Dill-man, Kalamazoo: halfbacks—Bob Naru, Alma, and Roger Winter,

New Scot Captain More next week about the chocolate.



Rich Garrett

Newly elected captain for the Alma Scots football team is Rich Garrett of Clawson, a defensive star during the past two years for the Alma team and a deadly tackler. Used often in the safety spot when a double safety combination was desired, Garrett has been a valuable leader and though small as college football players go, a tower of strength when needed.

The fact he comes from Clawson as did Bob Acton, captain of the 1950 Scot squad, is unique in lead-ership angles. He is a junior and previous letter winner.



Bob Naru

play of the Scots with no great huis, Hope; guards—Lloyd Beecknumber of "star" performers shows how Alma came through with its share in the 1951 title.

Workhorse Bob Naru was placador both the offense and the Hillsdale, and Frank Joranke. Albion: safetyman Done

Honorable mention went to two other Alma team members, Sam Stafford at a guard berth and Rich Garrett for his backfield defense.

Women's Volleyball has gotten six teams regularly reporting to Theta's-Jane Kersten; and Sig Phi's Kay Shaw.

Competition has been good so

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pus are invited.

More next week about volley-

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Intramural News

The Iintramural Volleyball has finally begun. It opened on the night of Monday, November 19, with four games being played, and all were won by Delt represented teams. The Delt Demons beat the Zeta Chargers 2-0, The Delt Dodgers also won beating the Phi Phiffers by the same score of 2-0. The Delt Dutch Diggers won on forfeit from the Zeta Supporters. The only team that gave the Delt teams any competition were the Phi Panthers who still lost by the score of

On December 3, the Delt Dodgers won again, beating the Annex Gang 2-0. The Ditch Diggers won from the Panthers 2-0, and the Delt Dynamics won over the Phi G.L.A., 2-0.

The Zeta Chargers turned from their losing way and defeated the Phi Phiffers, 2-0.

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A few weeks ago, a group of you went to Westminster Church, Grand Rapids, and presented a religious dramatization. It was done with reverence and skill. Through your play and the enthusiastic way in which you represented your school, you did her untold good. People thought more highly of Alma because you were her spokesmen. Many young people who heard and met you are seriously thinking of coming here for their college education.

I am driving about three thousand miles a month for Alma, speaking to all who invite me, on my convictions concerning Christian education and my dreams for Alma's future. As I travel up and down this great state of ours, I am constantly amazed by what many of you are doing for your school. Last Sunday, I preached in the Redford Avenue Presbyterian Church in Detroit, and had the privilege of talking with a fine group of her young people in the evening. Many of those young people are planning to come to Alma. And why? Because our Alma students from that group are selling the school to

Two weeks ago a generous gift came to our school, to be applied to current expenses. The donor explained that the gift came to us because of her conversation with an Alma student. The girl spoke in glowing terms of the Christian and academic contribution Alma was making to her own life. She does not yet know that her words brought much-needed help to her school.

You are Alma! You can help, or hurt, your school as none of the rest of us can. A word from you may help to bring true some of our dreams of new buildings, so desperately needed. When you are at home during the holidays, you can turn to Alma many boys and girls who will come here to join you in making Alma a truly great college.

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1951 MIAA Co-Champions—thats the Alma College Scots, who fought their way into the winners circle with roaring 40-0 triumph over the Albion Britons three weeks ago. Then, to polish the apple, they powdered Grand Rapids to close the season, 28-0, and the Scots finished the 1951 season with seven wins and only two losses, for the best overall record of any school in the MIAA. No other team in the state could match Alma on the ground as the Scots wound up as Michigan's rushing leader, with 2,789 yards. Michigan State was second.

State led the way in total yardage and the Scots were second. This pattern also was followed in team records (MSC the only undefeated team in the state) where Alma again places second to the

Every man in uniform got into the Grand Rapids contest for the Scots, and late in the game some of the men were in unfamiliar spots such as tackle Bob Boston playing left end in the game in an unsuccessful attempt to snare immature student activities which a pass so he could score in his col- exist here on our campus? The lege career, or diminutive Men- answer to this question and conseguard along side quarterback lems along this line lies with you, Hess Wever at the tackle spot. the students of Alma College. The Both of the first two touchdowns faith of many of us in our student went to Alma's scoring star, Dub body has been sorely tried of late, Martin, who cracked over from but it has not been destroyed. It is the eight yard-line and then from your responsibility to see that this the one. The pass combination of faith is not destroyed or further Denny Stolz and Doyle McIntosh weakened but strengthened. accounted for the final two TD's The game ended the collegiate football careers of Scot stars: Capt. Bob Acton, Mendy Vaughn. John Coe, Bob Boston, Bob Mohre, Pedro Martinez, and Ken Con-

Thurs, the Scots ended a successful campaign marred only by losses to Michigan Tech. and Hope College. The complete 1951 schedule shows an overall aggregate of 249 points rolled up on offense against a mild 72 on defense. The Scots took all defensive honors, both in the State and the MIAA as they yielded the fewest yards and the fewest points a mere 1,540 and a small 72 points. Here's a hand to Michigan's No. one rushing team and No. 1 defensive team.
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#### **Wright Hall News**

Dee Combs is certainly one lucky girl. She was serenaded twice on the same night. Seems that the boys sang under her window for quite some time before they realized she wasn't there. When they finally "came to," they went around the dorm and, standing under the K. I. room, once again went through their reper-

Our weary and overworked minds are now trying their best to think of original ideas for Buddy Week beginning Wednesday, December 12. At the end of Bud-

dy Week there will be a big party and all the girls will find out who their buddies were.

Already the halls are beginning to look Christmasy, what with decorations on the doors and windows and Christmas carols being sung in the lounge. Gives us sung in the lounge. Gives us a really nice Christmas spirit.

#### **Dining Hall**

(continued from page one)

actors is just as much the result of unqualified support as it is of weak action by small dormant minds.

Wastefulness is another act which is open to condemnation. No doubt many of you feel that the repetition of the old story regarding the number of people who are starving and poverty-stricken is pushed too far. But whether you like it or not, we must realize that waste is much too prevalent here in our dining room. I do not condemn the leaving of food (although it is a poor policy) so much as I do the mixing of condiments with the staples that are placed on the tables.

To the students who eat in the dining room: the waiters and serving girls are not slaves or animals and are working for an education. This is a noble aim. Please be considerate and have good taste instead of showing the rudeness and ill taste that have prevailed this

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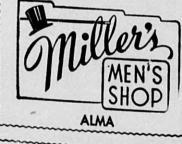
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TUE. and WED., DEC. 11-12 Jackie Coogan, Iris Adrian and Eddie Garr in VARIETIES ON PARADE

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