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## Full Program of Drama Forensic Activities Set

A complete program of drama and forensic activities will occupy the time of students participating in speech activities at Alma College. Outstanding events in the program of activities include the attendance at national and regional Tau Kappa meets, the participation in all activities of the Michigan Intercollegiate Speech League, the presentations of the Drama Club, and the speaking in the annual Anna Elizabeth Bradley Oratorical contest. The complete program announced by Professors A. Westley Rowland and Henry Klomp include a variety of participation including debate, drama, oratory, discussion, extempore speaking, and dramatic prose reading.

The initial event of this year will be a practice session with Central Michigan College on October 25. Following this, five members of the squad will travel to the Regional Tau Kappa Alpha Congress which will be held at Purdue University on November 8 and 9. The congress will discuss and legislate on "Permanent wage and price control" and "Improvement of ethical and moral conduct".

### In State League

Alma College will participate in all the contests of the Michigan Intercollegiate Speech League which includes Albion, Alma Calvin, Central Michigan, Hillsdale, Hope, Kalamazoo, Michigan State Normal, Western Michigan, Wayne, the University of Detroit, Detroit Institute of Technology, and Ferris Institute. League contests will be held in extempore speaking, discussion, variety debate, novice debate, oratory, and dramatic prose reading. Other forensic activities include peace oratory and extempore speaking for men and women; the Tau Kappa Alpha National Congress and discussion meet at the Case Institute of Technology at Cleveland; the Delta Sigma Rho Tournament at Depauw University, Greencastle, Indiana, and individual debates with other Michigan colleges.

The Drama Club, under the direction of Professor Henry Klomp, will produce two three-act plays and a bill of one-act plays. The first play will be "Guest in the House" which will be presented in Alma on November 8. Following its presentation on the Alma campus, the play will be taken to Ferris Institute, on November 12, for showing on an exchange basis with the Big Rapids school. The second three act play is scheduled for March with the bill of one-acts coming in April. It is hoped that the Drama Club will be able to participate in some original way in the writing and presentation of the annual campus day program in May.

### Oratory Contest

The Anna Elizabeth Bradley Oratorical contest for Alma College students will be held in January. \$100 will be given in prize money to the men and women placing first, second, and third.

The National Intercollegiate Debate question for 1950-51 is, resolved that the Federal Government shall adopt a permanent program of wage and price control. The National Discussion is, "How can we as a nation improve our ethical and moral conduct?"

Students who are already working in the field of forensics are: Bill Franch, Ionia; Grant Gallup, Gaastra; Walter Lovell, Detroit; Keith Nielson, Edmore; Marcia Risser, Ionia; Gene Schnelz, Hazel Park; John Schubel, Port Austin; Don Gordon, Detroit; Mary Jo Frye, Traverse City; Lamonte Corum, Jackson; Bill Taylor, Jackson; Edsel Granger, Saginaw; Ronald Black, Flint; Robert Willets, Caro; Dave Cornell, Grand Rapids; Larry Waggoner, Boyne City; Ron Nicolson, Owosso.

Alma College is "on the air" three times a week over radio station WFYC, Alma. Programs

feature, music, drama, news, and sports. Students working in the field of radio include: James Morrison, Alma; Robert Wurdock, Royal Oak; Jack Weir, West Branch; Edward Pless, Howell; George Miller, Owosso; Bill Franch, Ionia; Alan Bowman, Dixon, Illinois; David Cornell, Grand Rapids; Bob Emens, Batavia, N. Y.; John Fleming, Birmingham; Marilyn Gordon, Flint; Barbara Lawrence, Flint; Edsel Granger, Saginaw; Joyce Lilley, Detroit.

## Injustice in The Public's Eye

It has been my sad and unfortunate experience to have been initiated into the notorious fraternity of T. L. V. (traffic law violators), and I should like to present briefly my feelings concerning this recent initiation. It seems that one moonlit evening a headlight on a car which I was driving decided to burn out and did so quite without my knowledge. At the time I was proceeding toward Alma on route US-27-A. As I neared the city limits, I was signaled off the road by two officers of the law. I was given the routine treatment of producing my operator's license, etc., and finally asked if I realized that I was minus a headlight. I replied truthfully that I didn't know, and one of the officers began filling out a ticket. This, in departing, he left

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## Wright Hall Gets Gift of New Beds

Ten thousand dollars worth of new beds have been installed in Wright Hall of Alma College this past summer. They are of the finest quality Simmons springs and mattresses. Each room in the dormitory is equipped with either hard maple double bunk beds or a pair of Hollywood twin beds, with honey colored leatherette headboards.

This generous gift came from this Presbyterian women of Michigan. Many of those women were well acquainted with the urgent need of suitable beds at Wright Hall, after having spent a night or so trying to sleep on the old ones when they came to Alma to attend synodical or presbyterial meetings. If they could hear the enthusiastic and grateful comments of the returning co-eds this past week, they would feel well repaid for their many hours spent on church suppers, bazaars and rummage sales to raise this money.

The contributions were made to the Women's Advisory committee of Alma College and Mrs. L. R. Kamperman was appointed chairman of the project.

Earl Woodruff, of Columbus, Ohio, and former Alma College student was instrumental in obtaining the best beds at the lowest possible price.

For the past thirty years he has been associated with the firm of F. G. & A. Howald Co., of Columbus, well known interior decorators and dealers in fine furniture.

Since his college days Mr. Woodruff has kept up a lively interest in the well being of his Alma Mater and has given unstintingly of his time and experience to this and other projects af-

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## Plans Announced for College Homecoming

### Big Days Planned Here on October 18-19-20

Joan Lawrence, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Lawrence of 118 W. Charlotte Ave., Palmyra, New York, and a graduate of Palmyra Central High School will reign over the 60th Homecoming festivities of Alma College on Saturday, October 20.

Members of her court will include: Janet Armitage, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Armitage, of 25876 Pembroke, Huntington Woods, graduate of Highland Park High School; Edna LaFleur, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George LaFleur, of 12055 Nashville, Detroit, graduate of Denby High School; Mary Beth Parker, daughter of Mrs. Elizabeth Parker of 127 S. State, Alma, graduate of Alma high school; and Betty Hoerauf, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Hoerauf of Frankenthum, graduate of Arthur Hill High School, Saginaw.

### Honor Dr. Hamilton

The 60th Homecoming will pay tribute to Dr. Roy Hamilton of Alma, head of the English Department and former president of the college. Dr. Hamilton came to Alma College in 1919 and this year is rounding out 32 years of service to Alma College. From 1919 to 1942 he served as vice president of the college and professor of English Literature. He was president of Alma from 1942-47, and since 1947 has been head of the English Department. Dr. Hamilton is the author of the college's Alma Mater as well as the composer of "Maroon and Cream", and "We'll Remember Alma".

### Parade Plans

Activities of the Homecoming will open with the traditional bonfire and pep meeting on Friday, October 19. The traditional parade will start at 10:00 on Saturday. The units of the parade will assemble on Philadelphia street, move east on Superior to Pine, north on Pine to Downie, west on Downie to Gratiot to E. Center, and west on E. Center to State, north on State to Superior, and west on Superior back to the college.

Judges for the best floats and best fraternity house decorations will be Mrs. Julia Roecker, Mayor Everett Thompson, and Everett Roslund.

At 11:15 the annual Homecoming banquet will be held at the Park Hotel in St. Louis. The crowning of the queen will be held at 1:30 before the football game with Hope College which is scheduled for 2:00 p. m. Members of the Homecoming committee are Student Council President, Richard Nisbet, of Fremont; Bill Castile, Detroit; Mary Alice Cook, Royal Oak; and the Faculty chairman of the Homecoming committee is Alumni Secretary Ralph Appell, assisted by Miss Mary McKinney, Mr. Robert Rufener, Mrs. A. E. Merritt, and Professor A. Westley Rowland.

A complete program of the Homecoming activities follows: Friday, October 19— 5:30 p. m. All College picnic, Grove.

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## Homecoming Queen and Her Court



Left to right: Betty Hoerauf, Frankfort; Edna La Fleur, Detroit; Queen Joan Lawrence, Palmyra, New York; Janet Armitage, Huntington Woods; Mary Beth Parker, Alma.

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## Thoughts of Homecoming

This year's Homecoming is a special one for one of our faculty members is being honored. Dr. Roy W. Hamilton, who has been with the college for thirty-two years, will reign in all of the glory he deserves. Many words could be written about Dr. Hamilton, but we are sure that everyone realizes all of the meaning behind our most hearty and sincere congratulations to him on his Homecoming.

Just what does Homecoming mean to us as students? To the Frosh it means the end of hazing, goodbye to the hideous signs and green bows and pots. To the Sophomores—it means the end of hazing and an unwritten truce with the Frosh until Campus Day. The Juniors are happy that Homecoming is here for it gives them a chance to meet old friends. To the Seniors—Homecoming is also a chance to renew old acquaintances, but there is an undercurrent of sadness as they realize that this is their last year as students of Alma.

To the various organizations on campus, Homecoming means hours of much fun and a lot of hard work on floats for the parade. To the Alumni this day is one which gives them a chance to reunite with friends and classmates and to once again stroll the grounds of their college.

The honoring of Dr. Hamilton, the Alma-Hope football game, the gathering of old friends, and the climax of the day—the dance—all adds up to Alma Homecoming 1951.  
M.A.C.

## Letter to Editor:

There will be a time in almost every Alma College student's life when he will stand on the steps of our chapel and bid it good bye. This old tradition has been followed for many years, and those who stood with bared heads last spring, as the senior farewell was made to the chapel, will remember the contribution that chapel has made in their lives. No doubt for the first time in their college life, some students realized the significance of compulsory chapel. Now I know that the word "compulsory" has an anti-democratic flavor. But I also know from experience that compulsion is a good disciplinarian, which is very necessary to the maintenance of democracy. You will no doubt agree in principle at least with me, but then you counter with the argument that religion is a matter of free will. I will agree with you in part, and then make this reservation: It is also necessary to teach religion, so as to propagate it. That is in essence the job of every Protestant minister who accepts the command of Christ to go into all the world and preach the gospel. Therefore knowing that Alma is a Presbyterian college, founded upon the principles and commands of Christ, it has the privileged obligation to ask students attending the college to attend chapel.

If you are one of those who believe that religion should not be taught, then let me direct your attention to this true incident in the life of the English poet Coleridge.

Coleridge was once talking with a man who told him that he did

not believe in giving children any religious instruction whatsoever. His theory was that the child's mind should not be prejudiced in any direction, but when he came to years of discretion he should be permitted to choose his religious opinions for himself. Coleridge said nothing; but after a while he asked his visitor if he would like to see his garden. The man said he would, and Coleridge took him out into the garden, where only weeds were growing. The man looked at Coleridge in surprise, and said, "Why this is not a garden! There is nothing but weeds here!"

"Well, you see," answered Coleridge, "I did not wish to infringe upon the liberty of the garden in any way. I was just giving the garden a chance to express itself and to choose its own production."

Alma College, under the oversight of the Synod of Michigan, has taken the prerogative to say that students will attend chapel. You in turn have exercised your prerogative in coming to Alma. It would seem to me that you choose, might I say, compulsory chapel knowingly. Therefore, accept it fully as your choice, remembering always that "No man entering a house ignores the one who dwells therein." Our chapel is the House of God, and He is dwelling therein.

Richard Miller.

Man: A creature who buys football tickets three months in advance and waits until Christmas Eve to do his Christmas shopping.

Adolescence: That period when a boy refuses to believe that some day he'll be as dumb as his father.



Flag Rush—7:00 a. m.

## Student Council

October 9, 1951

The meeting was opened by President Rich Nisbett, roll was taken, and the minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. Dean Stielstra spoke about the car situation on the campus. The major drawbacks for free allowance of cars are:

1. A mobile campus develops.
2. The college is held indirectly responsible for accidents.
3. It can lead toward social evils.
4. Distraction from studying.
5. Promiscuity.
6. Drinking.

The situation was discussed and it was decided that this plan should be adopted, with the consent of Dr. Harker.

1. All car owners and operators must register with Dean Stielstra, giving license number and kind and amount of insurance.
2. Dean Stielstra will counsel with, not deny, all applicants who are under twenty-one years of age.
3. All students under twenty-one must have parental approval before they are allowed to operate a car on the campus.

Dean Stielstra stated that the closing of the Union during Chapel services was done primarily on the principle that Chapel cuts are allowed the student for important purposes, rather than for playing cards or lounging downstairs in the Union.

Gripes against the poor organization and functioning of intramural sports thus far this semester were discussed. Dean Stielstra will investigate this problem further and give his conclusions to Rich Nisbett.

Phil Long reported that he has secured the band of Eugene Milak for the Homecoming Dance for a four-hour contract. The permission hour for the girls of Wright Hall will be checked with Miss McKinney.

It was voted that the cheerleaders need new megaphones. Durable, maroon and cream ones will be purchased before Homecoming if possible.

Eldon Bailey will take care of arrangements for the Pep Rally this Friday evening to precede Saturday afternoon's football game with Adrian.

The meeting was adjourned by unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jan Bleil, Secretary

October 16, 1951

The meeting was opened by President Rich Nisbett, roll was taken, and the minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Eugene Malik and his band will play from 9:00 to 12:00 midnight at the Homecoming dance Saturday evening. Dancing must end according to the college regulation which forbids dancing on Sunday.

Two metal-supported 30-inch megaphones will be purchased by the Student Council for the cheer leaders for the Homecoming game. If these megaphones are not white and maroon, they will be painted before the game.

An American flag will be raised on the football field flagpole preparatory to the game Saturday. It was urged that the flag be displayed at all football games in the future.

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the Homecoming parade resulted in the following order: Zetas, I.W.O.'s Campus Wives, Thetas Phi, Sigma Phi, Frosh, Deltas, WAA, and KIs.

Plans for Friday evening's big pep rally were formulated. Dick Nudds will act as master of ceremonies, Doyle McIntosh will supervise the construction of the bonfire. Rich Nisbett will try to locate flares to be placed around the bonfire. Coach Eaton and Bob Acton will be asked to speak at the rally.

The suggestion was made that the Homecoming Court consist of Junior and Senior girls, and that the Campus Day Court consist of freshmen women. This reversal of the present system will be further discussed after the worries of Homecoming plans have subsided.

Jan Bleil - Secretary.

## Clizbe News

by  
Rosemary J. Rogers

Here are a few items from the music department:

Non music majors as well as music majors are invited to the student recitals, held every-other Wednesday of each month. These recitals are at 4:00 p. m. in the college chapel. Come and encourage our music students and also listen to some very good music.

The music listening and reading room at Clizbe Hall is now open to all music students. If the record room is locked you can get the key from Mr. Rufener. Mr. Grove and students of Music History will show you how to work the phonograph. It now has two speeds.

This year the A Capella choir has forty-nine students. They are all busily engaged in learning Christmas music. The choir will give its Christmas concert at the college chapel, December 9th. They will go on their Christmas tour December 10, 11 and 12.

## Alma Choir 1951

Sylvia Bills, Milford, Michigan; Jean MacMillan, Petoskey; Bonnie Patterson, St. Louis; Phyllis Ripatte, Lake City; Phyllis Rose, Kalkaska; Gwen Hysmith, Rochester; Mary Menoske, Mason; Joan Barber, Stockbridge; Gail Donaldson, Alma; Rosemary Rogers, Detroit; Carole Rohlfs, Akron; Ruth Rose, Kalkaska; Marjorie Vrooman, Detroit.

Phyllis Irvine, Detroit; Nancy Lester, Howell; Peggy Smith, Alma; Alice Welsh, Armada; Johann Jordan, Cedar Springs; Mary Jo Frye, Traverse City; Patricia Hewitt, Houston, Texas; Marilyn Harris, Caro; Dora Martinez, Detroit; Dolores Metcalfe, Detroit; Judy Phillips, Highland Park; Peggy Gilliland, Fremont.

Manley Fay, Cass City; Eugene Fischer, Muskegon Heights; Richard Nesbit, Fremont; Ted Reno, Detroit; Marvin Wassener, Elsworth; Tom Engle, Coldwater; Harry Jessop, Royal Oak; Roger Little, Cass City; Donald Sywasink, Adrian; Larry Waggoner, Boyne City; William Felmele, Bay City.

Ronald Black, Flint; Jim Coombes, Allen Park; Douglas Gillesby, Ferndale; Bernard Johnson, Alma; Richard Stuckey, Alma; Robert Cobb, Saginaw; Phil Long, Mancelona; Allen Alexander, Portland; Richard Bartlett, Saginaw; Jack MacCarthy, Hazel Park; Jerry Psatka, Long Island; Al Smiley, Frazer; Phil Vance, Alma.

## 'Guest in the House' October 8 and 10

The fall presentation of the Dramatics Club is "Guest in the House". The play will be given on November 8 and 10 in the Little Theater. The cast, as chosen by the director Mr. Klomp consists of: Ann Proctor, Judy Phillips; Lee Proctor, Shirley Sherman; Hilda, Mary Ellen Splitstone; The Rev. Dr. Shaw, Art Tuner; Aunt Martha Proctor, Nancy Leece; Miriam Blake, Janice Bleil; Dan Proctor, Rod Jackson; Douglas Proctor, Ken Taylor; John, Bill Castile; Evelyn Heath, Allene Stolt; Frank Dow, Douglas Gillesby; Mrs. Dow, Mary Menoski; Miss Rhodes, Marilyn Gordon; Cam Tracy, Lamote Corum.

Small girl, showing her older sister's room to playmate: "My sister's 19. I thought I'd have her room some day, but she never married."

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Lift forsooth the cup of youth;  
Memory holds no malice.  
In the wine of friendship's vine,  
Drain life's golden chalice.

In the praise of glorious days,  
Pledged in heart's devotion,  
Chant the song, its strains prolong  
We'll remember Alma.

In the the haze of autumn days,  
When the heart grows colder,  
'Round our way the shadows gray,  
Gather when we're older.

'Mid the snow, our hearts aglow,  
Melt in tender reverie,  
Hear again the old refrain,  
We'll remember Alma.

Roy W. Hamilton.

**Homecoming 1951**

Once again staid old Alma College breaks all its inhibitions and throws out welcoming arms to friends and alumni to the annual Homecoming.

It's a great day for the school and a great day for the people who return to see again the honored halls and beautiful campus from whence they had come years ago.

For many there will be no change in Alma College, for others a great one. Externally, there have been no tremendous renovations to the campus. Within the last ten years or so, a chapel has been built, temporary barracks have been erected as well as the much used Arts Building.

Later, the barracks have become degenerate and now they are slowly disappearing altogether from the campus. Many will come back to see Skid Row where they had spent not a few nights sitting with the boys over a friendly coke a bulling 'til two or three in the morning. Possibly they will be disappointed to see that it is gone.

New blood has been injected into Alma Mammy and the result

has been nothing short of miraculous. When we came to this campus Alma Spirit was at an all time low. The teams were great but the rest of the campus couldn't quite measure up to their fine showings.

Last fall we saw a sudden resurgence of the real thing when everyone pitched in before the Kalamazoo football game. We thought we were on our way, but it proved to be a very temporary arrangement. Things again became dull and stagnant.

Now, all of a sudden, the whole school is up in arms for every event.

A caravan of no less than one hundred and forty members of the student and faculty bodies journeyed to Kalamazoo to see the team come through. The result of this turnout was shown in the inspired play of that game. Since then there has been no letdown. Alma College is all out to show the stuff of which it's made.

We believe the cause of this to be the new spirit of the faculty. This spirit has now been kindled in the student body.

Welcome back, but if you're looking for something new at Alma, don't look at its body, look at its heart!

*Loyal Hearts will cherish ever  
Thoughts of Thee throughout the years;  
Pledging Thee a fond devotion  
Guardian of our hopes and fears.*

*Memory holds a cherished picture,  
Jungle, grove, and campus fair;  
Sons and daughters ever faithful  
Hail Thee one beyond compare.*

Chorus

*Alma! Alma! Sing of Alma Mater:  
Thy loyal children  
Chant thy hymn of praise.*

Roy W. Hamilton

**A. C. A.  
Silent Sermon**

While we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are eternal. II Corinthians 4:18

The load, or weight, or burden of my neighbor's glory should be laid daily on my back, a load so heavy that only humility can carry it, and the backs of the proud will be broken. It is a serious thing to live in a society of possible gods and goddesses, to remember that the dullest and most uninteresting person you talk to may one day be a creature which, if you saw it now, you would be strongly tempted to worship, or else a horror and a corruption such as you now meet, if at all, only in a nightmare. . . . It is in the light of these overwhelming possibilities, it is with the awe and circumspection proper to them, that we should conduct all our dealings with one another, all friendship, all loves, all play, all politics.

—The Weight of Glory, C. S. Lewis  
God, give me sympathy and sense  
And help me keep my courage high;  
God, give me calm and confidence,  
And—please—a twinkle in my eye.

—Margaret Bailey

**Band News**

The Kiltie Band has been pretty busy these last several days. Last Friday the band performed at the half time of the Perry High School football game near Lansing.

We hope you liked the band maneuvers at the Saturday game—the band in their new uniforms made a beautiful picture out on the field.

At the Homecoming game the band performance during the half will, of course, honor Dr. Hamilton and our queen Joan Lawrence, who is, incidentally, one of our majorettes.

Members of the band include: trombones: Tom Minshall, Fred Herzberg, Phil Long, Clark Bates; Saxophones: Bob Willets, Bill Arbury, Alice Welsh, Judson John Joyce Jr.; Cornets: Don Faught, Al Whitehead, Bob Jewell, Carol Cummings; Basses: Allan McLeod, Chuck Hicks; Baritone:

Manley Faye; French horn: Joyce Howarth, Jim Lester; Drums: Dick Miller, Ken Taylor, Marv Jenkins, Jim Hill; Cymbals: Marcia Risser; Flute: Mary Alice Cook; Piccolo: Mary Ann Lee.

The list continues with Clarinets: Dalt Love, Don Howarth, Ed Hubbel, Mary Joe Frye, Rick Erickson, Roger Vance, Earl Hayward.

The Pipers this year are Al Alexander and John Kinner. The drum majorette is Jane Kersten and the other majorettes are: Ruth Rose, Phyllis Rose, Jean McKellar, Jean Lawrence and Betty Hoerauf.

The band is really going to town this year so keep your eyes and ears open for coming attractions.

**Homecoming**

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7:30 p. m. Pep meeting, Davis Field.

Saturday, October 20—  
7:00 a. m. Frosh-Soph Flag Rush

9:30 a. m. to 5:00 p. m. Registration of Alumni, Chapel Rotunda

10:00 a. m. Parade  
11:15 a. m. Alumni Luncheon, Park Hotel, St. Louis

1:30 p. m. Crowning of Homecoming Queen

2:00 p. m. Football Game Alma vs. Hope, Bahlke Field.

4:30 p. m. Coffee and doughnuts will be served on the lawn west of the Chapel immediately after the game.

Fraternity and Sorority Alumni Banquets—  
6:00 p. m. Delta Gamma Tau, Park Hotel

5:30 p. m. Sigma Phi, Methodist church

6:30 p. m. Kappa Iota, I.O.O.F. Hall

6:30 p. m. Phi Phi Alpha, Masonic Temple

6:30 p. m. Zeta Sigma, Marl View Inn

6:30 p. m. Alpha Theta, Episcopal Church

9:00 to 12:00 p. m. Homecoming Dance.

**Did You Know That**

Dean's Office, Oct. 18—  
Uncle Sam has called two more alma students since the last time the *Almanian* went to press. Alfred Gannon, son of Toufeek Gannon, Highland Park, and Loren Cook, son of Loren A. Cook, Grand Haven, have been drafted.

The faculty recently appointed James Morrison as Alma's representative to the Michigan Manufacturers Association's drawing.

During the first week in December, a national convention

will be held in New York by the National Association of Manufacturers. One college student will represent each of the forty-eight state—all expenses paid.

Every Michigan college has elected one of its outstanding students to take part in the drawing by lots, of one Michigan delegate. Jim may be the one!

Among the names of former students who will stay at Wright Hall for the Homecoming festivities are Lydia Martinez, Joy Emke, Jeanne Craig, Nancy Schoch, Alberta Adams, Yvonne North, Gay Watson and Mary Beth Penn.

Also on Mrs. Powell's list for reservations are Shirley Simpson, Ruth Emerson, Libby Williams, Emily McLeod, Shirley Stewart and Ann Hobart.

Dorm Hours for Homecoming are as follows: Friday night 12:00 Saturday night 1:00.

The Homecoming Dance will close at midnight and Wright Hall will close at 1:00 a. m.

**"Karoo" Court  
Over, Frosh  
Become Human**

Last Thursday evening found groans and moans of various sizes issuing forth from the Alma College Memorial Gym. The reason for so much unhappiness, as you all know, was the annual convening of Kangaroo Court. Here, all frosh men were repaid for their many misdemeanors and careless mistakes as the lowest of the low. Welding the paddles with supreme accuracy, the sophs again established justice for those foul deeds committed during the last few weeks.

After the careful weighing of each man's crime and the just punishment thereof, the annual pajama parade and snake dance, leading to the Strand theatre, were held.

Upon arriving at the theatre, a really charming production put on by the male members of this year's frosh class was enjoyed by all and the evening's festivities came to a close. So ends another year of hazing and we hope it was on a happy note for all involved.

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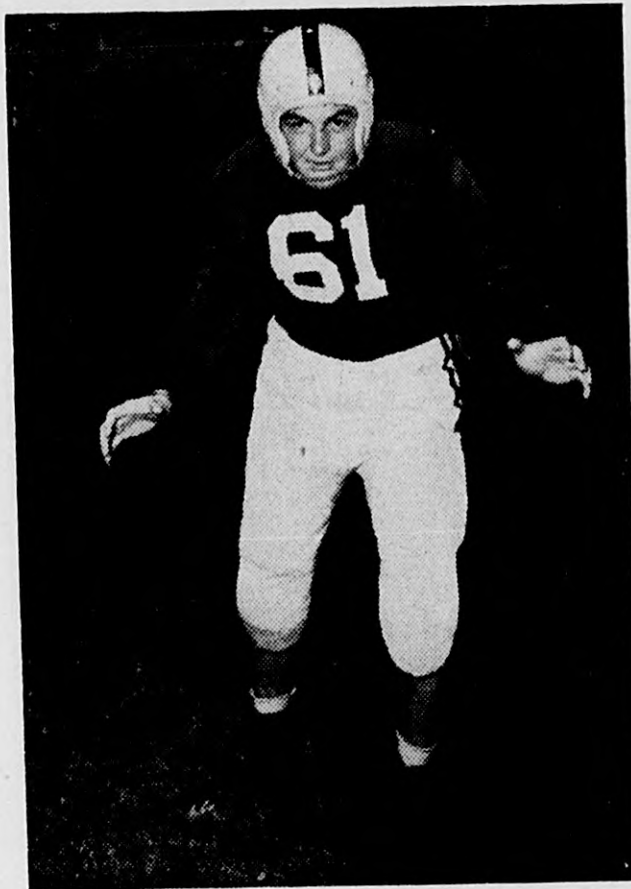
With two victories in two MIAA contests, Alma has definitely made themselves the team to beat in the MIAA for the 1951 championship. We know this: Dub Martin is the best running back on the squad, and possibly in the conference. Next to Kalamazoo's Dillman, Hess Wever is the best quarterback in the MIAA. Bruising Bob Acton is the best linebacker anywhere and Bob Naru and Mendy Vaughn are the finest pair of halfbacks to ever enter any coach's dream. This is proud talk, mighty high and powerful for so early in the season. But why not? Last Saturday our boys did such a thorough job of walloping Adrian College (70-0) that it broke a school record that has stood since 1913. We have a great team here, a potential champion. Last Saturday the untried freshmen and sophomores looked very good, giving the Scots hope for a strong team for many years to come. Best of all was little Larry Park, a freshman from Dearborn, Michigan, who gained 81 yards for the top rushing mark of the game. Thayre Talcott busted loose for 45 yards in six tries, or an average of 7.5 yards a try. Also looking very good on his first appearance was Byron Boring, a freshman from East Jordan, who completed two out of 4 passes and ran for 38 yards with a 12.7 yard average. Others who promise a bright future for Alma are Gene Frazer, who scored the first TD, Harold Brock, Denny Stolz, Vern Gardai, Doyle McIntosh, Bill Voska, Jack Carleton, Ken Pattinson, and Jack Nowka, plus many others that I haven't mentioned.

Alma is unscored on at Bahlke Field this year. Possibly that feat may remain intact after Hope College visits us Saturday. At least we all hope so. In these two home games the boys have rolled up 36 first downs, 733 yards rushing, 200 yards passing, for a grand total of 933 yards. The only negligible factor is the thirteen fumbles, an unlucky number for superstitious folk, and of that thirteen five have gone to the opposition while the remaining eight have lost Alma 36 yards, valuable yardage that might cost a victory in a close game.

Lloyd Eaton has groomed a grid machine here at Alma that can possibly stand quite high on the list of Alma greats. And, as previously said, a potential champion. Possibly, a champion of champions.

# Scots Collide With Hope

## Big Bob Acton



Capt. Bob Acton

Captain of the 1951 Alma College Scots football team is Bob Acton, Clawson, Michigan senior. He is in his fourth year as a member of the Alma team.

Graduating from the Clawson Log Cabin High School, where he participated in football, basketball, baseball and track, Bob soon afterwards entered military service.

Upon separation from service, he entered Alma College, and saw limited action with the 1948 team

that swept through the season undefeated under Coach Steve Sebo. In his first years at Alma, Bob alternated between tackle and line-backer.

When Coach Lloyd Eaton came on the scene in 1949, he immediately set Bob in as defensive line-backer and Acton has held down that position since then. Last season, Bob was voted a position on the all-MIAA defensive unit at the conclusion of league play.

The Alma College Scot's haven't lost a homecoming gridiron battle since 1947. Strangely enough, the team that beat the Alma eleven that year was Hope, our opponent this year. The Scot's since then stand with victories over the Kalamazoo Hornets 26-0 in '48, a 14-6 triumph over Albion in '49, and a 19-7 upset over Hillsdale last year.

It is indeed fitting that Saturday when we honor the fighting Scotsman, Dr. Roy Hamilton, that we will play our keenest and closest rival. This year's contest Saturday is the thirteenth game of the series that dates back to 1936. The Scot's hold a one game edge. Hope has won 4, Alma 5, and 3 affairs have ended with knotted counts. Last year's game was one of these with a 7-all score.

So far this year the Dutchmen have done well in non-conference competition and in conference action lost a thriller to Albion on a fieldgoal, 3-1. Last week they edged the Hornet's 35-33, on two points after the touchdown in an exciting battle.

Head coach Al Vandertush has lost through graduation, Gene Combell, captain and center of the Hope lien last year, Ed Leverette, halfback, and Don Van Ingen halfback. Tom Van Wingen, former star athlete of Creston High in Grand Rapids, named top back in the MIAA at fullback last season, has also graduated. And Ron Appledorn, all-MIAA halfback last year and one of the leading ground gainers in the conference, did not return to Hope this fall. All of the Dutchman's star backfield have been sorely missed.

But, Coach Vandertush has a big, rough and ready line of experience and depth. He has 14 lettermen of last season on his '51 squad of which eleven are linemen and the other three are in the backfield.

Alma, gunning for Hope since handing a 12 to 7 defeat to them two weeks ago, is pretty well ready. Adrian served as an excellent tune-up game last week, as the Scots hung up a school record in scoring with a 70-0 score. Coach Lloyd Eaton's boys are an eager bunch, ready to go, and the watch words on the campus are "Whip Hope".

Probable starting lineups:

Alma		
Nowka	E	Bauman
Boston	T	Nyenhius
Stafford	G	Beekman
Rickley	C	Dropper
Lawrence	G	Yonkman
Bacon	T	Ritter
McIntosh	E	VanderVelde
Wever	Q	Schipper
Naru	H	Bocks
Vaughn	H	Piersma
D. Martin	F	Hondorp

# Scots Score 70 Points on Adrian

October 13, 1951 . . . They say lightning never strikes twice, but it struck eleven times at Bahlke Field today. The Scots really whooped it up as they overran Adrian and notched up a new school scoring record. A good sized crowd witnessed the 70 to 0 rout of our "fine feathered friends". Alma massed 556 total yards while the defense held Adrian to a slim total of 58 yards. On top of that the Scots chalked up twenty first downs and held the opposing team to four. The game was played in beautiful weather with the sun shining throughout the day.

It didn't take them long to score the first one. Mandy Vaughn returned the opening kickoff forty yards to the Adrian 424 yard-line,

and nine plays later Gene Frazer flew over from the 2 yard line. Gene personally covered 24 of that 42 yards himself on five line thrusts. The Scots scored twice more before the quarter ended, with most of the work being done by Dub Martin. "The Dubber" took a pitchout from quarterback Hess Wever and zoomed around his right end on a 59 yard sprint to score the Scots second counter with only seven minutes of the game gone by. Number three came immediately afterward when Alma recovered Adrian's fumble of the kickoff and quickly jammed 32 yards in seven plays to lead, 18-0, with five minutes still remaining in the first quarter. All three extra point attempts were unsuccessful, with Sammy Stafford, Thayre Talcott, and Rich Garrett all missing. Stafford's kick fell short as a result of a penalty against Alma. The Scots received the ball once more before the quarter ended, but after reaching Adrian territory, they stalled, and Dub Martin booted deep to the Adrian ten yard-line. That punt, incidentally, was Alma's only kick of the game.

The second quarter found the Scots boosting their lead to a 37-0 count. Bob Naru, Doyle McIntosh, and Larry Park did the scoring while Jack Nowka became the first Scot to kick an extra point since the opening game with Selfridge Field. Naru ended a 44 yard drive when he plunged into the end zone from one yard out. Pat Shaw, along with Naru, were the big guns in this drive with the two of them accounting for all but eight of the 44 yards. After an eight minute see-saw struggle inside Adrian's thirty-five yard-line, Alma broke the ice for the fifth time when Bobby Mohr fired a pass to Doyle McIntosh from Hazel Park. Alma now led, 31-0. Then, with only five seconds remaining in the half, little Larry Park thrilled the entire Bahlke Field when he dodged and weaved his way for 50 yards and another Alma touchdown. At the half, the score stood, 37 to 0.

It had seemed like a complete game had passed by, but there still was another half remaining,

but those untested players proved themselves as they racked up 33 points on five TD's and three conversions. It took Alma a while to score in the third period, although Larry Park had another razzle-dazzle touchdown run called back. However, touchdown number seven, when it came, came quick as Dub Martin appeared back in the picture with a beautiful 46 yard punt return. Dub shook off three tacklers around the 40 yard-line and then proceeded untouched for a touchdown. Nowka's conversion attempt was blocked. The next time Alma got the ball they scored in two plays, covering 53 yards. Wever threw his only pass of the day complete to Doyle MacIntosh for the first down on the Adrian 18. Ken Conway then rammed the remaining 18 yards to give Alma a narrow 50 to 0 lead over Adrian. That ended the scoring in the third quarter.

The fourth quarter opened and Alma started off with a bang, receiving 20 yards in penalties before running off a play. Byron Boring then got things going with a pass play that ran Boring-to-Bramble and covered 26 yards, giving the Scots a first down on the Adrian 13 yard-line. Jack Carleton paved the way with three line cracks to move the ball to the goal line. Carleton was then stopped on the one-inch line with fourth down coming up. Boring, however, shot one into the flat and Larry Park grabbed it for the score. Alma 56, Adrian 0.

The final two touchdowns resulted from a long punt return and a 40 yard sustained drive that ended with Thayre Talcott going over from the six. After the final touchdown Park fumbled the pass from center on the conversion attempt. So, Larry remedied things by picking up the ball and running around end for the point. Leading ground gainer of the day was Park with 81 yards in seven carries. Dub Martin, however, had 76 yards in three carries from the line of scrimmage. Lots of credit for this victory goes to the defensive team, who performed very well as they were led by Captain Bob Acton. The scoring record that stood before this game was the 66 points massed against another Adrian team in 1913. Maybe next week the Scots can break the record created today.

But, back on the bright side, things are beginning to shape up and if the fumbles are held to a minimum, the Scots ought to hold Hope College and emerge from the game victor, with a proud performance before a homecoming

audience. I'm picking Alma by a 20 to 7 score. I hope they can better that.

Statistics:

	Alma	Adrian
First Downs	20	4
Yds. rushing	443	41
Yds. passing	123	17
Passes Tried	13	8
Passes Comp.	6	2
Pass. Inter.	0	2
Fumbles	5	2
Opp. Fum. Rec.	2	1
Yds. Penalized	55	25
Punts	1	10
Punt Ave.	25	29
Total Yardage	556	58

ALMA

25 Selfridge Field	0
6 Michigan Tech.	19
12 Kalamazoo College	7
70 Adrian College	0
113	26

ADRIAN

0 Olivet	6
6 Hillsdale	26
0 Alma	70
6	102

## Don't Be Fooled!!

This feature is directed to the student body in general, but it should be of more concern to the football players.

As everyone well knows we beat Adrian by the tremendous score of 70 to 0. It is my opinion that such a beating is adding insult to injury.

You may say, "We needed that kind of a game to bolster our morale for the 'Homecoming' game."

That Adrian game can be more of a detriment to us than anything else. If only the players realize this and forget all about that game and concentrate on the probability of the toughness of the Hope team.

I have little doubt that we will lose the "Homecoming" game, but that all depends on the players and their attitude when they go into that game.

I said it before, and I'll say it again,

"Forget about the Adrian game and remember the Hope game is bound to be different and tougher."

The Adrian game is not much of a feather in our caps; in fact, it wasn't much of a football game.

Hope will be out to get us but let us be a great deal smarter and get them first.

Girl to girl: "My boy friend has a dual personality—sometimes he's a lot of fun, other times he's broke."

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### When Old Uniforms Were New



## Trials of Freda Frosh . . .

Dear Diary:

I promised to be faithful to you, diary dear, but honestly this college life is sooo confusing, I mean, but really! Some people say a diary is just to put down unimportant happenings—the important things one remembers! But everything seems so important, honestly, I just don't know where to start.

Since the first minute I got here I've been dashing around like made and meeting people. My goodness, there are a lot of men on this campus! I've met some of the most divine creatures. The only thing is the best ones are taken. I spent four whole days trying to impress this one dream boat and thought I was really making headway when I found out he has a girlfriend back home and they are engaged—how revolting! I was ready to perish, but utterly.

My counselor was quite upset when I told him my major was extra-curricular activities. Now what's so strange about that? I believe people should study what they're most interested in. He fi-

nally convinced me that I should take a few subjects. I decided on French for my language. I think French makes one sooo sophisticated. Then there's English and some other stuff. I was about ready to revolt when he insisted that I take a science but finally he talked me into taking biology. My goodness, if it wasn't for the cute fellow that sits across from me in lab I don't think I could endure the course. I guess everything has its compensations.

Now that hazing has started (well, really, it's almost over—thank goodness) life isn't worth living. It wasn't so bad when we had to buy those horrible bows and wear name cards but all these crazy things those awful Sophomore girls make us do is absolutely the last straw. Of course, people do notice you more but I think I'd rather make an impression some other way.

I think the girls on the Queen's court and the Queen herself are just darling but I'm sure that if they had left it six girls instead of five I would have made it.

I don't understand why the upperclass women resent Frosh girls so much. I heard one come storming into the dorm the other night raving, "He's taking out a Frosh girl now! Gad, when will I get the breaks?" My goodness, you would have thought something tragic happened.

I've been to nearly all the parties every week end but I still don't have a date for Homecoming. This I don't understand. I mean, after all, it seems to me that everyone would want to go and after all, I AM available! Well, someone will ask me sooner or later but how much later is beginning to worry me.

Oh dear, diary, it's time for lights out so I'll have to leave you now. Eleven o'clock lights out is as exasperating as that seven thirty curfew. We Frosh just don't get any breaks at all. Good nite, diary. Freda

### Just Ice?

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with me after explaining that in some cases, the justice of the peace might consider a suspension of the fine.

I was asked to have the light fixed soon, and did so the following morning. A day later, I visited the "Honorable Justice." Upon

The Queen—1:30 p. m.



presenting him with my violation stub, I was requested, "to fork over four bucks." I was dumbfounded. Could it be that in this modern community, they give no warning in a case of this nature, or could it be that once before in a similar case the officers present were shirking their duty by giving me a warning? This, I suppose, wasn't for me to decide. I left without paying the fine! The police station was my next goal, where I talked with an able officer. We discussed the matter quite calmly, and he explained that the department was interested only in the safety of motorists in enforcing the law, and the fine was intended to serve as a lesson. This, he pointed out, is the law, and the law must be enforced! Nevertheless, I have been relieved of four dollars, and I can't rightly say that I have learned a lesson. Had my crime been something I had knowingly committed wrong, e. g., the running of a stop street, the fine would have been well deserved. But since the justice was "fatigued" (as I heard him remark to a previous violator), I imagined he would tolerate no argument, so without further delay, I paid and departed.

This is not intended to be derogatory in character. I realize that these men concerned were doing their duty, etc., but why can't they try for the higher stakes that menace the community, such as speedsters, reckless drivers, and those driving without brakes? Still respectful, A safety minded T.L.V. "er"

### Wright Hall

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fecting the college. A year ago Wright Hall lounge was completely redecorated and refurbished under Mr. Woodruff's able direction with funds raised in the same manner by the Presbyterian women of Michigan.

Local members of the Women's Advisory Committee consist of Mrs. Crawford Daily, chairman; Mrs. L. R. Kamperman, vice chairman; Mrs. Rex Wilcox, St. Louis, treasurer; Mrs. Roy Hamilton, Mrs. Stanley Harker, Mrs. C. F. DuBois, Mrs. H. B. Lehner, Mrs. W. A. Bahlke, and Mrs. C. P. Milham. There are fourteen out-state committee members, representing the various presbyterials, making a total of twenty-four members on this committee.

### Science Films to Be Shown by A.C.A.

The Alma Christian Association has scheduled for showing during the year four sound-color science films of a series released by the Moody Institute of Science, Los Angeles, California. The first of these movies, "God in Creation," was shown last Wednesday, October 17th, in the chapel. The film dealt with astronomy, natural science, and the microscopic world, using the ingenious method of time-lapse photography, and illustrates the power and wisdom of God in creation. The others scheduled for showing are:

November 28, "God and the Atom," an approach to the problem of atomic power which emphasizes man's need of spiritual rebirth.

"Voice of the Deep," scheduled for December 5th, demonstrates that certain instruments are necessary for listening to undersea sounds, so certain conditions are necessary for learning spiritual truths.

January 9th, "Dust or Destiny," the last of the series, shows that scientific marvels give unmistakable evidence of a Creator, who is also the Redeemer.

The films run from thirty to fifty minutes, have been widely accepted in high schools and colleges, and been made a part of the Air Force Chaplain's Character Guidance Program. The A. C. A. is glad to present the series, and hopes the college will enjoy them.

### IF I WERE a FRESHMAN AGAIN

If I were a Freshman again, I would not do the same as I did. When I started with other young men,

For a college diploma to bid.

Of course it is useless to wish That my course were now only begun,

But to you who are not yet the fish,

Let this be the course you shall run.

First of all, be yourself and no more,

Then again, be yourself and no less.

These rules take you straight to the door

That opens the way to success.

Every school hates a Frosh who is wise,

And is always reviewing his past. But still more do they hate him who tries

To act like a tough, and be fast.

Be slow when you're choosing your friends,

It's worth all the trouble you'll take.

For joy in your life all depends On the friendships that first you will make.

Be jolly, don't ever be sad; This life is a life full of mirth. Don't growl and act like a crab, These days are your best on this earth.

Get into the life of the school. Don't sit in your room all the while.

You learn twice as much, as a rule, By joining the crowd with a smile.

If I were a freshman again, I would not do the same as I did.

But soon there'll be other young men,

And then you look out for my kid.

### A. C. A. Play

"Then it isn't fair! Here I keep the Law just the best I know how, and I have a blind baby that has to grow up a beggar and you don't even tith, and your baby's all right!"

Don't be alarmed. This is simply Jean McKellar as Judith lashing out at Barbara Bauer as Anna in the dynamic two act play "He Came Seeing".

Dale Gilb plays Joab, the blind boy, Don Vreeland plays Asa, Joab's father and Tom Kramer is Hilkiah, a fine type of Jewish aristocrat.

The above are the bigger roles in the play, but we could not possibly present the play without the gossiping neighbors. Among them are Ruth Morse, Carole Rholfs, Carol Steven, Joyce Howarth, Willard Payne and Jim Lester. The A.C.A. play is under the able direction of Art Turner. We

### The Dance—9 to 12



all know what fine plays he has produced in the past and we feel this will be even bigger and better. We'll keep you posted on the details and progress of "He Came Seeing".

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# The President's Chair



Prexy says: "Glory in the past, but keep your eyes to the future!" This is a very special issue of The Almanian. The Editor informs me that it is being scheduled to appear on the campus Friday evening, which is the real opening of Homecoming week-end. I have been asked to devote this column to a welcome to our alumni. I am indeed happy to comply with this request.

As the president of your Alma Mater, I am indeed happy to bid you a most cordial welcome back to the the campus. Homecoming is a gala occasion at Alma. We of the present college staff look forward to it with great anticipation. A college is not buildings and lawns. A college is people. The work of a teacher is the most intangible thing on earth, but when a teacher meets a former student who has grown into noble manhood or womanhood he—the teacher—knows that his work is the most gratifying occupation on earth. That is a teacher's real pay check, not the pathetically small one he uses monthly to eke out a very frugal living. So with eager expectation we look forward to Homecoming, wondering with St. Paul how well our living epistles have been written.

This year we are honoring one of our members you all revere, Dr. Hamilton. We know that you, our graduates and former students, do not return to Alma to see buildings. You return to see living personalities. I am indeed glad that on this first opportunity I have the privilege of officially welcoming you back to your Alma Mater, we are holding up to you a personality who for all of us personifies Alma College. I am indeed happy in joining you in honoring Dr. Hamilton,—and I want to add his lovely little wife, too. I hope you will make this day the greatest day in the great career of the Hamiltons.

While this is a day of renewing cherished friendships and reminiscences, I hope it will not be a day of looking backward. A past exists only that we may get a future out of it. Everywhere today I hear people bemoaning the plight of the small college. We do have our problems, but I am not one bit concerned about the plight of the small college. In this day of regimentation and reducing human personality to numbers, the small college has a greater responsibility than ever before. I have convictions concerning the small Christian college. If I did not, I certainly would not have accepted the Alma presidency at a time like this. I am going up and down this Synod, saying without thought of compromise, "If you want your young people to be numbers, send them to . . . . But if you want them to be Christian personalities, then send them to Alma and join me in making our synodical college the mother of great creative, Christ-like personalities".

That is Alma's destiny in this Synod. And I am very happy to tell you that a great group of rugged Christian men are out to claim that destiny. I wish all of you could have sat in on two meetings on the campus this week. On Tuesday our Board of Trustees put in a great, hard day. I am absolutely certain that out of that day is coming a new and greater Alma College. The following day the Woman's Advisory Committee spent an equally successful and creative day on the campus.

I am now in a position to make two announcements. If we are not prevented by Government restrictions, the Jerry Tyler Memorial Buildings will go under construction as soon as the weather breaks in the spring. It will be a student center that will delight the soul of every Almanian. It will be located approximately at the corner of Superior and Harvard, and will be the first of a series of new buildings developed in harmony with our beautiful American Colonial Chapel. As is well known, this building will be the gift of Dr. and Mrs. Leon Tyler in memory of their son Jerry, a former Trustee of the College. It will literally be the building in which Alma student life will center,—a true Student Center.

Second, in the immediate future, we will launch a campaign for \$2,500,000 for capital funds for Alma College. This entire program is in the formative stage, but I am now in a position to definitely announce that the first priority of this program will be a new girls' dorm to be built on the outfield of our present baseball diamond. The ball diamond will be transferred and become part of a great Bahlke Field. Wright Hall, in turn, will be converted into a men's dorm. That massive, noble old American Colonial Hall will make a truly distinguished men's hall.

In short, we are on the march at Alma. **How far we go depends upon you.** The day of vast fortunes is gone in America. But there is no longer a "forgotten man". With brick-layers making \$30 per day, all Americans are "capitalists". Alma College is going forward to claim a great destiny. But she will march on the \$100, \$500 and \$1,000 contributions of every loyal son. Are you ready to stand up and be counted for Alma?

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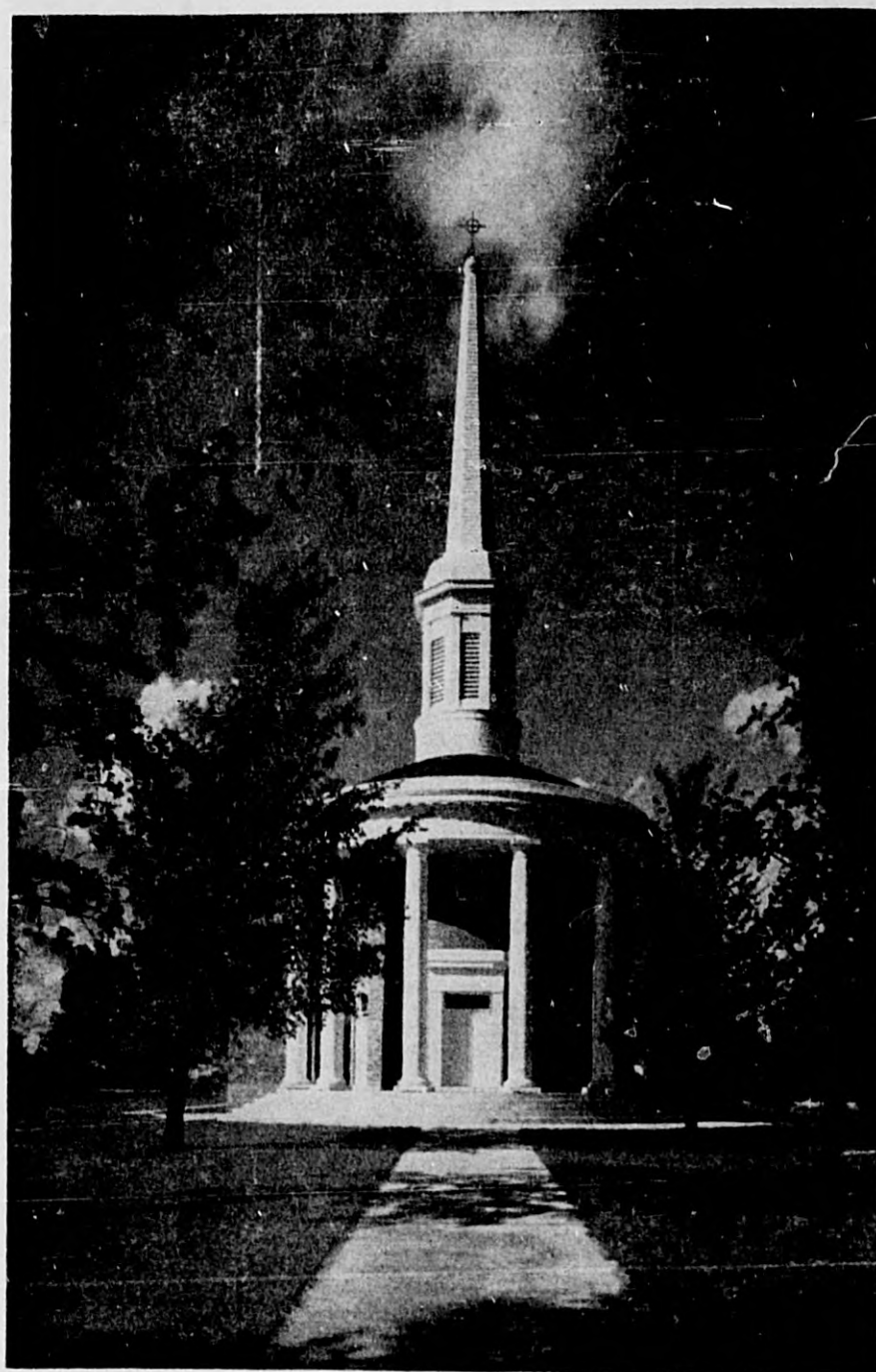
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## The Chapel



## Rules Concerning Chapel Cuts

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1. All full-time regular students are expected to attend chapel and assemblies regularly unless excused by the Dean of the College. Chapel services are held each Monday and Friday at 11:00 a.m. Assemblies are held on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month at 11:00 a.m.
2. In months during which six or more chapel services and assemblies are scheduled, a maximum of two absences will be permitted without penalty. This allowance includes official trips, illness, emergencies, etc. If more than two absences occur because of illness or official business in any one month, no penalty will be assessed. If, however, unexcused absences are taken in addition, a penalty will be assessed for each unexcused absence.

(This included months of October, November, December, January, February, March and May.)

3. In months during which less than six chapels and assemblies are scheduled one absence will be allowed without penalty.

(This includes September, April.)

4. Absences exceeding the limits described above will result in a reduction of honor points. One-half honor point for each overcut.

5. Dated attendance cards are used to determine attendance. Please sign each card yourself.

6. You will be notified at the end of each month if you have excessive absences. If there is an error in our records or reasons which justify all your absences, you may stop in at the Personnel Office to clear overcuts within the time specified in the notice. If no word is received, the record is assumed to be correct.

Archie and Finnegan were discussing kissing:

Archie: "Ain't it unsanitary?"  
Finnegan: "Maybe it is. But I can't think of a nicer way to meet a germ."

Boy's complaint: "My teacher has a terrible temper—she's a regular meanie."

Traffic: Where you sit in your car and watch the pedestrians whiz by—Nash Airflyte Magazine.

## Campus Wives News

The first Campus Wives meeting of the year was held on October 2, 1951, in the Dickie Room of Wright Hall. The officers for semester 131 are: Mrs. Ruth MacDonald, President; Mrs. Jane Burgess, Vice President; Mrs. Audrey Patterson, Secretary; Mrs. Marilyn Bacon, Treasurer; Mrs. Dorothy Northrup, Social Chairman.

Big plans are now being made for the Campus Wives float to be entered in the Homecoming Parade, but all is not work, for the Campus Wives have many good times too. October 9, they all enjoyed a weiner roast on a "little plot of ground" behind the football field. On the calendar for October 31 is a Hallowe'en potluck in the gym.

There was a bake sale in the lobbies of the dorms on the 16th of October, and "no foolin' the cookies were good." Just like the ones Mom bakes!!

Well, so long 'til next time—

## Yes, Cross Country Is Again a Team

"Cross Country still here? I thought there was no team this year." Well, things are changing and the cross country situation at Alma is looking toward the better side. Coach Charlie Skinner has told me that there will be a team this year, although it is now too late to compete in the MIAA as the conference schools accepted Alma's petition to be dropped from cross country competition this fall. However, coach Skinner has said that Alma can go to the MIAA finals, held at Kalamazoo last year, if the manpower is available and there is enough interest in the team by the student body. Coach Skinner says that the reasons behind the dropping of cross-country are: (1) Lack of funds. It takes a lot of money to run an athletic department, and a sport like cross-country that develops little student interest, poor teams, and hardly no MIAA rating, rarely has any financial return to help the team get started the following season. (2) Student interest is lacking and (3) there is very little manpower interested in spending the time on the sport. However, as coach Charlie Skinner said, Alma can have a cross country team if the students take a little interest in the team and its activities. Also, Skinner said that there will be a meet with Central Michigan, providing a team is formed, of course.

Therefore, it is up to you and I to see that Alma has a cross-country team this fall.

Walt Lovell.

Erosion: A nine-year-old boy washing his hands.

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