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## Alma College Names New President

### Dr. Harker to Assume Post January 31

The election of Dr. John Stanley Harker, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Hamilton, Ohio, as the new president of Alma College, has been announced by Dr. Stephen Nisbet, chairman of the Board of Trustees of Alma College.

The new president of Alma College, who will take office at the start of the second semester on January 31, is a native of New Jersey. He holds his Bachelor of Arts degree from Grove City College, Pa., and his Bachelor of Divinity degree from McCormick Theological Seminary. He has also completed his Master's Degree in the school of Education at the University of Pittsburgh and has practically completed his Ph. D. from the same school. In 1941, Grove City College conferred upon him the degree of Doctor of Divinity.

During his college years, Dr. Harker was deeply interested in all phases of campus life: a four year intercollegiate debater, editor both the school paper and the school annual, a college orator, president of the student council, and president of both social and honorary fraternities.

During his five years pastorate at Saltsburgh, Pa., he was minister of the Presbyterian Church and chaplain of Kiskiminetas Springs School, one of the nations leading prep schools for boys.

As pastor of the Hamilton Presbyterian Church, Hamilton Ohio, for thirteen years, Dr. Harker saw his church membership grow from 500 to 1,600, and witnessed a remodeling program that cost a quarter of a million dollars. He is recognized as a leader in the field of evangelism by both the Presbyterian Church, USA, and the Federal Council of Churches. Dr. Harker has also served on the boards of trustees of two church colleges.

During his Hamilton pastorate, he has been active in many phases of community life as a member of the Chamber of Commerce, a trustee of Mercy Hospital, a member of both Boy Scout and Girl Scout Councils, and a member of the Adult Education Council. He is a Mason and a Rotarian.

Dr. Harker is married to Helen Calderwood Harker, whose father spent his life as Dean of Grove City College. They have three children, Ruth, Dorothy, and Anne.

Dr. Harker replaces Dr. Dale D. Welch who last May resigned to become vice-president in charge of financial promotion of Whitworth College, Spokane.

### New President



Dr. John S. Harker

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### New Editors Named to 'Scotsman' Staff

The Publications Committee held a special meeting Tuesday to appoint an editor for the Scotsman. Chairman Wilson Daugherty announced the resignation of Douglass Callow, who blamed a heavy scholastic load. Bill Falk and Ron Black, Business Manager and assistant of the Almanian offered their services. The committee appointed them co-editors of the yearbook.

The appointment of these two men necessitates their resignation from the Almanian business staff, leaving a vacancy to be filled by the most promising applicant. Black and Falk have had much experience in student publications, both having worked on them in their home town of Flint.

The new editors agreed with Mr. Rowland of the Publications Committee, when he insisted that the annual should be out before final exams in the spring. Every effort will be made to get the Scotsman to the students by Campus Day, 1951, according to Ron Black and Bill Falk.

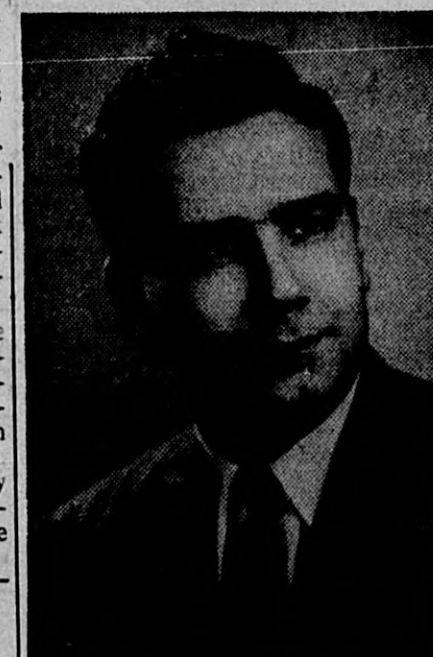
### Xmas Assembly to Be Given Wed.

Wednesday, December 13, a special Christmas assembly will be given for the student body in the chapel. The program will consist of a soprano solo sung by Miss Margaret Vanderhart of the Alma College Music Department; and Miss Phyllis Hayward of Detroit, Mich., and Mr. Sherm Fillmore of Standish, active students in the Alma speech dept. will give interpretative readings, and Gwen Laclare also of Detroit will give a reading of "Why the Chimes Rang." To conclude the program Mr. Rufener and a group of students from the Music Dept. will present a program of novel and instrumental music.

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- PHYSICAL EDUCATION 38C—Playground and Community Recreation
- RELIGION 13C—The Church School
- SPEECH 11C—Public Speaking

### Enters Service



Guile J. Graham

The college announces with regret that Guile J. Graham, Director of Admissions and Alumni Relations for the last three years, has been called to active duty in the U. S. Army and will report to the 22nd AAA Group, Fort Custer, Michigan, on Saturday, December 16. Guile holds the rank of a Captain. He has done an excellent job and we wish him the best of luck. He has been granted a leave of absence by the Board of Trustees and we sincerely hope that he will soon return.

Ralph Appell, a 1950 graduate of Alma College, is serving as acting Director of Admissions. He has been assistant to Guile Graham since his graduation.

### Adult Evening Courses to Start Here in January

In order to serve better the adults living within commuting distance of Alma College, sixteen faculty members of the college have agreed to offer evening courses of instruction through the continuation School beginning in January of 1951 providing interest high enough in these courses. The minimum number for which one course will be offered will be 10.

In setting up the courses to be offered, the college has taken into consideration that several different groups might be interested in pursuing additional training at the college level. Included in these are:

1. Men and women in the community who wish to secure better training for the job they are now doing and thereby prepare themselves for advancement.
2. Any adults in the community who have wished to take some college training but have been unable to do so because the schedule of the college conflicts with their working hours.
3. Those who have had some college training, but wish more.
4. Teachers in the area who wish to fulfill the requirements for permanent certification or take refresher courses.

The courses offered give credit toward degrees at Alma or undergraduate courses to other colleges. They are open to all who have completed their secondary schooling. Those who do not meet these requirements will be accepted as special students.

Registration and application for these courses will be in the Registrar's office January 4, 5, 6 and should be completed by the week of January 8-12. Professor Harriet McCall will answer any inquiries about the courses.

The tuition charge is the same for any other credit course offered, fifteen dollars. Any withdrawals by the third week will receive a 60% refund; by the fourth week, 40%; thereafter, no refund. Regular members of the faculty will teach the courses. Anyone enrolling in the courses may have use of the college library.

### Luxury Liner Sails

Approximately fifty couples crossed the gangplank of the K. I. Luxury Liner last Saturday night to travel to points such as Paris, New Zealand, Africa, the Riveria and Scotland.

To the music of Mary Jenkins Martet, the land lubbers fished in New Zealand and studied Pagan "art" at the Paris Peep Show with such attractions as: "The Bust of a French Commendator, For Men Only", French Post Card, "Zee bra", and Combinations in the Bath.

They also hunted in Africa (with pop guns), gambled via pin ball machines on the Riveria, and the Green in Scotland they viewed a couple of lines.

At 11:30 P. M. the liner (due 12:00 curfew) ran aground and the Luxury Cruise was over.

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## Defense Program Boosts Employment

Employment opportunities for engineering graduates have improved greatly since early 1950, according to the U. S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics. The mobilization program has increased the demand for engineers so much that employers are now seeking additional personnel, after absorbing the engineering schools' record 1950 graduating class of 50,000. Hiring of engineers has been much heavier in 1950 than in 1949, although, in January, employers had reported they expected to hire fewer engineers this year than last. As defense production rises over the coming months, and the Armed Forces are expanded, the demand for engineers will increase further. Recent graduates who may have entered non-engineering positions can today find opportunities for engineering employment.

For high school students and others considering whether to enter engineering training, the profession offers very good employment prospects, as indicated in the Bureau's Occupational Outlook Summary of March 8, 1950.

This summary, which was based on the assumption of peacetime conditions, pointed out that the engineering profession has been one of the Nation's fastest-growing occupations and will probably remain so over the long run. Defense mobilization will continue to add to the peacetime demand for engineering graduates for the next few years at least. Moreover, the number of freshmen engineering students has been declining since 1946 largely because of the drop in enrollments of veterans in U. S. colleges and universities. As a result, the number of graduates will decrease over the next several years. According to estimates, which are based on preliminary reports of 1950, fall enrollments to the U. S. Office of Education and the American Society for Engineering Education and which allow for the normal number of dropouts, the number of engineering graduates in 1954 will be down to about 17,000. This is less than the number of new graduates needed each year to satisfy the average peacetime demand (as estimated in Bureau of Labor Statistics Bulletin No. 968, "Employment Outlook for Engineers"). The drop in engineering enrollments will be intensified to the extent that students may be withdrawn for military service.

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### ZETA SIGMA

The turkey and plum pudding sure were good. After going this-a-way and that-a-way and every-a-way home were back for the long (?), tedious (?), stretch until (sigh!) Christmas vacation.

Some of the boys went a deer huntin' over vacation. "Deer" slayers Wallace and Blacklock reported back with a kill. "Deer" slayers Dailey and Aldridge reported back (period). Ole Jim Haight had 11 shots with no luck—next day he went down to the local optometrist for some of them thar specs. Max Haase, when asked about his luck, said, "All I got was cold."

Doug Davey left the campus yesterday at the request of Uncle Sam. Doug has been an extremely active and popular member and we sure wish he did not have to make the move. Zeta Sigma has temporarily lost a great guy.

Also the college and the fraternity have loaned to "Sam" another notable figure on campus. Executive Guile Graham will be soon displaying his talents for the long bearded fellow. Although it's a tough break for Guile, we in the fraternity know that brother Ralph Appell will do a commendable job as acting Director of Admissions.

With a total of 18 men ready and waiting to play volley ball last Monday night, the Zeta Saints played their hearts out only to lose a close game. However we have solved the problem of mistakes—gonna win the next one.

With the spirit there, we unanimously decided during the last meeting to donate as a group a sum of money to help some of the more unfortunate kiddies enjoy their Christmas.

Tuesday the 12th we plan on having ole Santa drop around at our closed Christmas party. There will be fun galore—especially when we hang up the argyles.

### PHI LIP

This seems to be somewhat of an "off season" at the Phi house; that is the boys are still recuperating from Thanksgiving vacation and at the same time resting up for Christmas. Even so the fellows kept plenty busy, even if it's only opening letters that bear a return address entitled "Selective Service."

The reaction of the mid-term marks seems to have left most with a feeling of sadness at having fallen a little short of an expected three point. This fact is reflected in the greater part of the "waking hours" that are now spent in study.

Now that the "frost is on the punkin" (so to speak) the boys find an outlet for their athletic ability either in ping-pong, volley ball, billiards (pool sounds a little coarse), moon (a technical term for Euchre) or slight of hand tricks. For some weeks now, there has been a ping-pong joust in progress. However, at the time of this writing I'm unable to announce a "Champ". The volley ball teams also have been highly active; two out of the three teams that played winning (the Phi Phifers, and the Phi Indians), and the Panthers dropping a close net match to a strong well-organized faculty six.

Well, I just heard someone yell "racket", so I must hustle along to the recreation room.

Don't catch cold or flunk out and if you don't have anything to do before Christmas, drop over and take a look at Sandy-claws.

### ALPHA THETA

The time of Santa Claus and his reindeer is just around the corner and its atmosphere is already spreading around campus. Several of the Theta gals are knitting their Christmas presents this year. Hope Tene gets her tie finished and Mary Ann Morris her socks.

We have invited our patronesses to a Christmas Tea on Sunday afternoon. Many cheery decorations are to be used and Jo Ramsey's first graders are going to make several wreaths. A Christmas Tea, my that sounds nice. The patronesses should enjoy it as much as we will.

Mrs. Kamperman has invited us to her home for a cookie party again and so we are all recalling our favorite recipes and our very best ideas for decorating all of those cookies. Mrs. Kamperman is a very nice person for putting up with us cooks? in her kitchen and we hope there won't be the pro-

verbial "too many".

### Delt Breeze

The Delt Dodgers were victorious in their first game of the season in the intramural volley ball tournament. Coach Nudds has through super-human effort pushed his boys to their first win of the season. We will have to note though a bit of sadness in the story for the other two Delt teams. The Dynamos and the Demons lost their first games. We would suggest the use of Jim Sanford's Hadaacol for a sure cure for defeat. By the way what is Freddie Hayes, a Zeta, trying to achieve by giving the Delt men free samples of his Hadaacol? ? ?

Since there is no serious news to print, we have been recording the breeze which has been circulating through the Delt House. Jim Crossman, treasurer, who is always trying to find means to balance his books would like to know how Duane Blough manages to make ends meet with such expensive luxuries as long distance phone calls to Kansas City, Missouri? And we mean to tell you that what he has at the other end of the line is a luxury. In all courtesy and fairness to one of our members we submit the following advertisement.

Wanted: . . . Ride to Palmyra, New York, December 16, 1950. If at all possible in the delightful company of a certain red-head. Will share equally all expenses. See George Lawrence at the Delt House.

The poor old Delt House which has been so cold for so many past winters is at last beginning to feel the heat. The question is, is this a reflection of the warmth which our House Manager has been kindling these cold winter nights on the front porch of Wright Hall??

The holiday spirit is creeping into the Delt House as the men prepare for another Christmas party next week. The whole house is being cleaned from top to bottom to welcome our guests from Wright Hall. Soon the smell of pine boughs will be throughout the house to usher in the Christmas spirit.

## White Christmas, Fashion Predicts

(Special to the Alma Almanian from the editors of Mademoiselle) Home for Christmas is the campus cry these days, and coed chatter is likely to center on a full schedule of holiday parties and clothes for THE dance or cocktail party.

This particular Christmas, according to MADEMOISELLE magazine, is likely to be whiter than Bing ever dreamed. Sheer off-white pleated wools or white wools edged in pearls are guests of honor at afternoon parties. The white worsted jersey shirt-dress fastened with chunks of rhinestone and the stiff white rayon and cotton bengaline suit, rhinestone-fastened too, for an ice-and-snow effect, are going to be holiday sparklers.

There's word on white for the sports enthusiast too. You'll see black ski pants topped with a bright white jacket, or an all-black outfit, a sharp shadow of color too—a polka-dotted ascot and sash or a brilliant silk scarf—to set off snow white and black.

At night white really comes into its own. One dance-floor favorite is the short sheath topped by a frothy lace overskirt with tiny black velvet straps and sash. Another is a billowy gold-dotted white net, made for waltzing with its rayon taffeta underskirt and matching stole. And still another, a short white rayon bengaline spangled with topaz glass—a white evening dress that looks like Christmas. Look for white in the December Home for Christmas issue of Mademoiselle.

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# Sports

Bob Lewis

## Cagers Play Host to 3 Foes; Now Have Won-2, Lost-2 Standing

Starting this coming Monday night, December 11, the Alma Scots basketball squad has three home games scheduled, all within six days. The opponent for Monday night's encounter will be Ferris Institute, a team which last week buried hapless Olivet, 59-35.

Alma and Ferris each won one last year in the two games played, Ferris winning the first one, 52-48, while the Scots eked out a 59-57 victory in the second meeting.

Thursday night, December 14, the Scots will tangle here with the big, blond Dutchmen from Hope. Hope will be without the services of Nick Yonkers, high-scoring ace of last year's squad.

The Scots split with Hope in the two games played last year. Alma, led by Mickey Hamilton's 19 points, dropped the Dutchmen 52-45 in the first encounter. Hope bounced back to take a 41-40 decision later in the year. Coach Russ DeVette and his tall Hollanders will be a real test for the Scots.

Then Saturday night, December 16, the Scots play hosts to Sault Ste. Marie in a new home and home series starting this season. Little is currently known of the visitors from the north.

All varsity games will start at

8 p. m., with preliminary matches at 6:30.

### Alma 57-CMC 49

Alma College's up and coming basketball team won its first game of the young season last Thursday by defeating Central Michigan, 57-49, in the third start for both teams. Memorial Gymnasium was packed to the rafters as the Scots made their first home appearance of the 1950-51 campaign.

It was indeed a sweet win for Coach Norm Borton and his cagers, as it avenged the 66-56 loss suffered at the hands of the Chippewas two weeks ago.

The Scots used a zone defense in stopping the Central quintet. Forward Jim Doyle, who scored 31 points in the first meeting between the two schools was held to a mere six points. Doyle's running mate at the other forward slot, George Cronin, walked off with scoring honors of the game in notching 17 points. Most of the Cronin's buckets were one-hand push shots from deep in the corners.

Center Skip Halpin led the smooth, well balanced Alma attack, tallying 15 points, closely followed by mates Healey and Hamilton with 13 each. Other Scots who figured in the scoring were Bob Pueschner and Charley Saxton, who tallied eight and seven points respectively. Substitute Guard Hess Wever scored a lone free throw to round out the scoring efforts.

Coach Borton cleared his bench in the last two minutes of play to let everyone get into the game. Bill Healey's field goal and

## Scot Mentor



Coach Norm Borton His Cagers Open Home Stand

Charley Saxton's free throw gave the Scots an early lead, a lead that was never relinquished. The halftime score was Alma 29—Central 19.

Each team scored 21 field goals with Alma capitalizing on 15 of 23 gift tosses. Central had 14 free throw attempts and connected on seven of these.

Alma	B	F	T	Central	B	F	T
Healey, f	6	1	13	Cronin, f	8	1	17
Pueschner, f	3	2	8	Doyle, f	2	2	6
Halpin, c	5	5	15	Raymer, c	2	0	4
Hamilton, g	5	3	13	Mott, g	1	1	3
Saxton, g	2	3	7	Parfitt, g	2	1	5
Garrett	0	0	0	Mason	4	0	8
Lindsay	0	0	0	Knoop	0	0	0
Thibedeau	0	0	0	Moore	0	0	0
Sawyer	0	0	0	Atkinson	2	0	4
Wever	0	1	1	Webb	0	0	0
Bramble	0	0	0	Leath	0	0	0
Stites	0	0	0	Wenzel	0	2	2
				Madden	0	0	0
Alma	57	15	14	19	9	57	
Central	49	7	12	15	15	49	

Albion and Alma Colleges staged a thrilling high scoring basketball game Tuesday night with the Alma Scots winning, 75-69.

The game was the first in Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association competition for both teams and a dandy one.

Coach Norm Borton's Scots raced to a 32-20 halftime lead and then held on grimly as Albion caught fire to draw close at the end.

In the first 10 minutes of the second half, both teams scored 22 points, with Albion tallying 27 points and Alma 21 in the final 10 minutes of play.

Both teams were hitting well on free throws, Albion making 13 in 21 tries while Alma counted on 11 out of 19 attempts.

Forward Dick Porter and Center Don Allen led the Albion team in scoring, each with 15 points. The game's top point getter was the Scots' Forward Bill Healey with 17 points. Guard Mickey Hamilton chipped in with 14, Guard Chuck Saxton 13 and Forward Bob Pueschner 12 for the Scots.

The Scots' quintet absorbed its second defeat of the season in as many games Tuesday night in Grand Rapids at the hands of Calvin College. Using a double pivot and fast-breaking offense, Calvin outscored Alma, 52-39. Scoring honors for the game went to Rosendahl of Calvin who collected 17 points while Saxton was high for Alma with points followed by Hamilton, Healey and Pueschner with 8, 7 and 6 respectively.

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## Volley Ball Starts for Intramurals

The Intramural Volley-ball League got underway last Monday night, December 4, with four games being played in the college gym.

There are thirteen teams divided into two leagues—the Maroon League and the White League. Each team will play one contest against every other team in its league. The winners of each league will then vie for the championship and the two teams finishing second will have a play-off for third and fourth place.

The squads making up the Maroon League are: Zeta Saints, Phi Panthers, Delt Dodgers, Delt Dynamos, Phi Zebras, Rinky-Dinks and the Rockets. In the White League are the Delt Demons, Phi Indians, Phi Panthers, Faculty, Gym Crew and the Zeta Chargers.

In Monday night's play the Phi Panthers defeated the Zeta Saints, the Delt Dodgers won over the Delt Dynamos, the Phi Indians beat the Delt Demons and our beloved Faculty squad downed the Phi Panthers.

## Intramural

Now to take a look at the heretofore neglected gals of Alma—neglected that is, from the athletic point of view. Volleyball started the first competitive sport of the season. However the opening series of games were played rather unobserved on Nov. 7th, for as you recall that was the week of the Kalamazoo game and everyone's attention was turned toward the football team and the hoped for M. I. A. A. championship. That night the I. W. O. met and defeated the Frosh Team I by a score of 49 to 37; the other freshman team lost to the K. I.'s 45 to 34. The Thetas conquered the Irregulars by the sensational score of 27 to 25. So with these games the ball started rolling, or rather volleying.

Every Tuesday and Thursday night the girls meet and play regular fifteen minute halves. Two games are in action at the same time utilizing the short court. The first games start at 6:15, the second at 7:15. The volleyball league consists of eight teams that played against each other. The teams are: K. I.'s (C) Greta Perry; I. W. O., Marilyn Tweedie (C); Irregulars, Betty Keith (C); Phi's, Jo Greenely (C); Campus Wives, Mrs. Boston (C); Frosh I, Jane Kersten (C); Frosh II, Marcia Risser (C); and Thetas, Roma Woodworth (C). Each team consists of eight girls plus a timekeeper and scorekeepers that each team must furnish for each game. The girls have few spectators—those who do watch are usually the steadies of the gals (continued on page four)

## Eight Scots on All-MIAA Teams

Four on Offense, Four on Defense

Alma and Kalamazoo Colleges, which finished 1-2 in the MIAA football season, dominated the conference's all-star team named yesterday.

The champion Scots landed eight men on the offensive and defensive units, four being placed on each. Kalamazoo placed four men on the offensive squad and two on the defensive.

League Judge Advocate DeGay Ernst, who released the official team listings, said league coaches chose offensive and defensive honor squads because so many of the conference teams operated on at least a partial 2-unit system this fall. Ties at tackle resulted in the 24-man squad.

On the offensive team, Alma players are end Joe Thibedeau, guard Sam Stafford, tackle Dick Derby, and back Bob Naru.

Kazoo had end Jim Steffoff, who led the MIAA in pass-receiving, tackle Harley Pierce, pint-sized center Kenny Mosier, and Phil Dillman at quarterback.

On the defensive team are Fred Hayes, end, Bob Boston, tackle, Bob Wolcott, guard, and Bob Acton, back, all of Alma.

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Once again the trend of the cards have changed. It is interest-

to pioneer Hall but at the same time, some others have moved out, sorry to see you leave, fellows!

Guess that's about all for now! See you next week.

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