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BAUER, NIELSON WIN BRADLEY

Zeta Sweetheart Jamboree Tonite

Tonight one of these coeds will become the "Sweetheart" of Zeta Sigma for 1952. You will have the privilege of casting your vote as you enter the dance.

The Zetas have been hard at work this week to make the choosing of this year's "Sweetheart" a memorable event.

An extensive decorative scheme and an entertainment floor show have been prepared. The dance music is slated to begin at 8:30 and will continue to 11:30 at the I.O.O.F. hall (above Consumer's).

This is one of the few off-campus dances of the year, and gives us all a chance to carry on our extracurricular activities at a new spot—not many chaperones you know. And besides, Miss McKinney has consented to allow those girls attending the dance to have 12:00 per, so get those dates and let's all have a good time.

She's Fonny Ting Bout 2 Schools

She's a fonny ting how there be so much difference between too skools in the sam state, you know. Just aleettle wile back I'm a had to go down to the beeg skool. I'm down ther seling pensils an tings an just kinda looking over the hole plast their.

I'm standin ona the korner trying mi best to git the biznes goin an I can't unnerstand whi she's goin so bad today. Then I realize wat the trouble. Evrbodie down ther she's running so fast wit there heds looking state down that they ain't got any time to see wat's goin on around them. So then, naturally I start payin little closer atenshun.

Musta been at leest couple hundred peepul goin skool down there, I never seed so meny peepul in mi life. But shesa fonny ting, with all thos pepul I nevir wonce saw eny of them speak to eech other. I hav standing ther fer almos too ours an not woice did I see enybody speak. Not only that, but, Pistacio, thatsa me, hardly ever saw them smyle.

I'ma no byoligist or ntyning but I kno that when too eepul of the diffrrunt jender passes each other on a streat theysa goin to smil if they gets a chance. Out from all thos prity girls runing luse down ther I din't sea won of them git smilled at. Why you spouse that was? Huh?

I tell you why, Long as you ain't goin to anser rite away. Sbecause nun of thos kiddys down ther knos each other. Too mak maters wurse they don't even seam to whant to kno eech oth-

College Debaters Await Meet at Mt. Pleasant

Two Alma College debate teams will participate in the annual Junior College tournament to be held at Central Michigan College, Mt. Pleasant, on Saturday, January 19. Alma will be represented on the affirmative by Keith Nielsen, Edmore, and Bill Franch, Ionia.

Negative team debaters for Alma will be Marcia Risser, Ionia, and Gene Schnelz, Hazel Park. Each team will have three debates on the national proposition, resolved that the Federal Government should adopt a permanent program of wage and price control.

Participating colleges will include Bay City Junior College, Flint Junior College, Grand Rapids Junior College, and freshmen and sophomores or first year debaters from Alma College, Ferris Institute, Michigan State College, and Central Michigan College.



Alice Welch
Alpha Theta



Aileen Stolt
Alpha Theta



Jo Ann Prynne
Independent



Ruth Rose
Kappa Iota

Now Is the Time

- To write a term paper.
- To study for finals.
- To make out next semester's schedule.
- To write a term paper.
- To study for finals.
- To buy next year's Christmas presents.
- For gals to get a date for the Sig Phi Amo Te.
- For fellas to get a date for the Zeta Jamboree.

- To clean your room.
- To write a term paper.
- To study for finals.
- To start going to classes.
- To paint buildings.
- To write a term paper.
- To study for finals.
- To get a flag on the main flag pole.

- To pack for semester vacation.
- To write a term paper.
- To study for finals.
- To put a dimmer bulb in the light on the porch of Wright Hall.
- To expect more snow.
- To cram for finals.
- To write a term paper.
- For this edition of the paper to go to press. Study hard for exams.

No Snowballing

The Student Council has asked the ALMANIAN to request there be no more snowballing moving vehicles on or passing Campus.

It is nothing but a childish trick and most certainly doesn't give the townspeople a good impression of Alma College.

Hershey Tells of New Law

Major General Lewis B. Hershey today announced that Selective Service will not make any special provisions to give students 30 days after the end of their academic year to enlist in the service of their choice. General Hershey explained that such arrangements are not necessary this year as the 1951 amendments to the Selective Service law provide that students are henceforth to be deferred instead of having their induction postponed and that any student pursuing a full-time course who was ordered for induction would, if he had never before been deferred as a student, be deferred in Class I-S until the end of his academic year, but he could receive only one such deferment.

Deferment

A student who is entitled to a statutory I-S deferment must be ordered for induction, General Hershey pointed out, before he can be deferred by his local board. The law says that he shall be deferred "upon presenting the facts" that he is satisfactorily pursuing a full-time course at the time the order or induction is issued. A student who is ordered for induction should not be thrown into a panic, General Hershey explained, all that is necessary is for him to request the Dean of the college, Dr. McKeefery, to immediately give his local board official notice that he is a full-time student doing satisfactory work and that such work actually commenced prior to the date for induction was mailed. Enrollment, acceptance and registration do not count, actual attendance at classes is the prerequisite.

Advise Current Status

The Selective Service law places upon each registrant the obligation of keeping the local board advised of his current status. It would therefore be a wise move for each student to have his school send official notice to the local board as soon as the student has been notified that he has passed his pre-induction physical examination. If the local board has been put on notice that the student is pursuing a full-time course, General Hershey advised, there will be little danger of a last minute mix-up which might result in the induction of a student legally entitled to a statutory I-S deferment.

Discretion of Boards

The President has prescribed a Class II-S student deferment program. Students may be placed in this classification, General Hershey explained, at the discretion of their local boards. To assist the boards in determining which students should be given II-S deferments, a method was set up whereby students who are in the prescribed upper portion of the male members of their class or who made a score of 70 or better on the Selective Service College Qualification Test may be considered by their local board for deferment. The law provides, however, that local boards are not required to defer men who meet one or both of the criteria. This is still discretionary on the part of the board. General policy is that students meeting either or both criteria will be deferred.

Appeals

Students who meet one or both of the criteria for II-S deferment have a right of appeal if their local board does not defer them. The law provides that a student may appeal to the State Appeal Board within 10 days from the date the local board mails the notice that they have placed him in Class I-A. There is no particular form for taking an appeal, General Hershey explained, a letter to the local board setting forth the student's name and Selective Service number being all that is necessary. If the State Appeal Board sustains the local

Announce Winners in Oratory Finals at Alma College

Barbara Bauer, Alma college sophomore from Frankfort, and Keith Nielsen, Alma College junior from Edmore, won first place honors in the sixth annual Anna Elizabeth Bradley Oratorical contest held at Alma College on Tuesday evening, January 15. Each was presented with a cash award of \$25.

This contest has been endowed annually by Dr. Preston W. Bradley, pastor of the People's Church of Chicago. Dr. Bradley attended Alma College during the years 1905 and 1906 and was a member of the Phi Phi Alpha fraternity.

Miss Bauer's oration was entitled "A New Career". May Butrick, Alma, placed second with her oration, "Why Does He Exist?" She was awarded the \$15 prize. Third place honors and a cash award of \$10, went to Miss Joyce Lilley, Detroit, for her oration "Stabbed in the Dark."

Mr. Nielsen's oration was entitled, "Popcorn, Soft Music and Green Grass". Second place and the \$15 cash prize went to Dale Gilb of Grand Rapids for his oration, "Give These Their Right to Live." Dalton Lave, St. Clair, won third place and \$10 for his oration, "What's Going to Happen?"

In addition to those in the final contest, the following participants spoke in the preliminary college contest; women, Peggy Gilliland, Fremont, and Donn Leddy, Free-land; men, Cyrus Azini, Teheran, Iran, Jim Hill, Bad Axe; Jim Mills, Alma; John Schubel, Port Austin; Ron Baney, Alma; and Bill French, Ionia.

The contest was carried on under the direction of the speech department of Alma College. James Morrison, Alma College speech major, acted as chairman. Judges were Kenneth Montigel, Alfred Fortino and Kenneth Plaxton, all Gratiot county attorneys.

Miss Bauer and Mr. Nielsen will represent Alma College in the state contest is oratory at the Detroit Institute of Technology on March 7. They will compete against students of Albion, Kalamazoo, Western, Michigan, Wayne, Calvin, Michigan State, Michigan State Normal, Central Michigan, Hope, Hillsdale, Detroit Institute of Technology, University of Detroit, and Ferris Institute.

Announce New Faculty Member

Dr. John Stanley Harker, president of Alma College, today announced the appointment of William A. Gregory, jr., to the position of assistant professor of English and speech at Alma College. Mr. Gregory's appointment will become effective with the beginning of the second semester on February 4.

Mr. Gregory holds his Bachelor of Arts degree from Central Michigan College and his Master of Arts from Michigan State College. As an undergraduate college student, he was president of the freshman and sophomore classes, president of the Student Council and a member of "Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities". He has taught at Gladwin and Coopersville, and has been teaching at North Muskegon High school.

For several years Mr. Gregory and his wife have operated the Lake Michigan Playhouse summer theater in Grand Haven. In 1951 in cooperation with Central Michigan College, he offered six hours of college credit at the Lake Michigan Playhouse. During the two weeks' session, nine plays were produced, five adult and four children. The children's plays are under the direction of Mrs. Gregory.

Since graduating from Central Michigan, Mr. Gregory has directed 35 plays. At Alma he will teach speech and English and will be in charge of the college drama productions.



Kay Shaw
Sigma Phi

Home Economics Elects Officers

The Home Economics Club of Alma College opens its membership to Home Economics majors, students enrolled in Home Economics courses and students enrolled in other fields. It consists of 28 members who participate in worthwhile activities which further their interest in the Home Economics field. For the past two years the club has sent two delegates to the Province Workshop held in Chicago in the month of February.

President, Mary Menovske; vice-president, Ernestene Hebert; secretary, Rosemary Rogers; treasurer, Kay Shaw; Editor of State Newsletter, Jeannine Moran.

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It's Up to Us

This week the editorial column has decided to borrow problems of national importance and discuss how they affect us as college students.

For quite some time now governmental corruption has been the headline material for the nation's papers. Speeches have been made on how we are to correct this. Committees have been organized at Congressional level to investigate the causes. We have failed to see that anyone has solved the problem yet.

Besides this low ethical standard of government officials, we are all affected by high taxes. We wonder why they really have to be so high. True, there's defense. But what else takes all this money? We don't know. And that's the point. We know little of governmental procedures and operations. How are we, when we assume the responsibilities of a voter, going to be able to decide if we want compensations, subsidies, and price supports (which cost the taxpayers more money than defense) to continue if we know nothing of government and its history? We are here at Alma to gain knowledge. Most of us only worry about the courses necessary to graduate and fill out majors. But there are two things that affect the people of the U. S. as a whole more than anything else. They are RELIGION and GOVERNMENT. The religion classes are well studied because they have to be. But how much interest is there in the courses? There are about 30 students now taking National Government. Take away the social science majors and you have left approximately 15 students who are taking the course solely because of their interest in the operations of government.

A person begins to have high ethical standards when he begins to be interested in a religion and the convictions that follow thereafter. A voting public begins to have a good government controlling it when the individual begins to know something of government. When we leave Alma are we going to be able to say we gained knowledge which will help us to have high standards of ethics; which will help us to become responsible members of a society that has the privilege of electing its governing officials? Or are we going to graduate with just a well-filled major so we can get a good paying job? It's up to us.

R. A. W.

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ZETA SIGMA

If there ever was a person stuck for something to say, I'm one. I retract that last statement, John Harrison just burned a hole through his blanket and my sheet; I've got plenty to say to him. Sorry, it can't be printed. We had a new heating unit put into our furnace last week; now maybe the boys will straighten up and quit their griping about the coldness of the house, Phil Long especially. He's all the time crying about nothing. Charlie Nittis stays up nights listening to the radio to see what kind of bargains he can get. You'd be surprised at some of the things he comes up with.

This coming Sunday, Jan. 20, is the annual Zeta-Theta Apple Polishing Tea. It is given for the benefit of the faculty, and we hope to see them all attend. Don't forget the Zeta "Jamboree", Friday evening, the 18th, at the I.O.O.F. Hall downtown. Late permission is given to all the girls who attend. We're hoping you'll all come. Remember, this is leap year. (Just a hint, girls.)

Election of officers was held last night and here are the names of the new officers for the coming semester:

President, Bob Willits
Vice-president, Rich Garrett
Treasurer, Phil Long
Recording Sec., Spense Butters
Corr. Sec., Elton Bamford
Social Sec., Al Alexander
Sgt. at Arms, Dex Fossitt
Keeper of Archives, John Kin-
ner

A.C.A. Rep., Grant Gallup
1st Critic, Walt Adams
2nd Critic, Bob Acton
I'm sure they'll do a swell job. I've reached the end of the so-called 'rope' so here goes.

Sig Sez

Guess I can leave the homework for a minute to dash off a few words. First big flash—we elected our new officers for the coming semester. President, Marilyn Tweedie; vice president, Sue Reavey; corr. secretary, Rick Erickson; recording secretary, Marilyn Gordon; treasurer, Jo Greenley; sentinel, Mary Alice Cook. This all took place at a turkey party Monday evening. Seems we had access to a huge-smoked turkey—Suzie decided to take a picture of Gordie and Jo hungrily gnawing on huge drumsticks but it all ended in a minor explosion. Don't know if she was trying to shoot the gals or the turkey—there were no casualties tho'—the gals were just a little shook up. I wish someone would relieve Sue of her camera tho'—she has a perverted sense of humor in regard to her subjects for photography, especially Rick in nothing but a pillow.

Plans are in process for our Area February 9, in the gym \$1.00 a couple, 50c stag. Remember gals, this is a girl bid affair so here's your chance to ask that cutie you've been checking lately.

Katie is going to leave us for a few days in February to attend the National Home Ec convention in Chicago. Sure envy that gal.

Our volleyball team is chugging right along as we have lost only one game and are on top of the roster at present. Well, must run along. Don't get shook up.

PHI LIP

Flash! News item exclusive to the ALMANIAN: The good ship Flying Enterprise went down to Davy Jones locker in stormy seas of the coast of Dirland. A chain of similar incidents occurred throughout the world as storms and fog hit the entire earth. Here in Alma thirteen persons were injured, two horribly crushed almost beyond recognition, during a wild panic caused by a rumor of a clean sink on the second floor. Those persons, rushing through the fog were distracted by the blatant call of the foghorn which had suddenly gone off his rocker. However, all are expected to recover.

Our housemanager, Toad, has been feverishly shifting weights in the house trying to balance the shaky foundation in time for the expected arrival of two or three ambassadors from downtown. Prediction: He won't make it.

Eyeballs bulging and reddened, have been noticed on the night-watch on the east side of the house. A resolution was made to determine whether or not there is any feasible method of dispersing the fog in the east.

We were happy to have Stu Grove and Rusty Lock back with us for a few days.

Exams are now approaching. Be prepared.

The walk out front was shoveled and just in time.

Don't forget to vote next November.

The boys have been burning the midnight oil lately. They have to. Housemanger is on another economy drive. It's rough with seventeen men shaving together from the same pitcher.

There has been bitter controversy among the Phis over the question of whether or not to let the Air Force use our sack room for a wind tunnel. Stafford of the Over-shoe-muffler Republicans says, "Certainly not, we cannot afford the manpower to shovel out this dormitory before our eight o'clock." On the other hand, Neuman, the Electric Blanket Democrat's spokesman says, "I'm all for it." Out of this filibuster came an earth shaking Hippopotamoos set forth by one of the Democrats. ABU Hassan at this time is being investigated by the first floor subversive activities committees investigating the recent peanut butter scandal. Strain' Jack has nothing to say.

Kappa Kapers

Here it is getting closer to the end of the semester and examination time. More studying is getting done by more pupils than any other time during the semester. We have to see one of our sorority sisters graduating this January, she is Marion Davison. Marion has been keeper of the archives this semester and also president of the women's senate. She has got an elementary teaching job in Redford Township to look forward to next semester. We all wish Marion the best of luck!!

The card party was a big success and we hope everyone enjoyed it. The card aces are the following: the pinoche champs are Jim Schram and Ruth Rose, the bridge champs are Mr. and Mrs. Chichester, and the canasta champ is Miss MacCurdy.

Last Monday we had our last meeting of the semester and we elected new officers. Jan Bleil was elected as president to take over the duties of Carole Rolfs, who did an excellent job this semester. The other officers elected are as follows: Vice-president, Mary Ann Lee; corresponding secretary, Nancy Leece; recording secretary, Ruth Rose; social chairman, Dee Combs; critic, Judy Phillips; Almanian reporter, Marcia Risser; A. C. A., Ginny Watson; sentinel, Hilma Tassava; keeper of the archives, Gail Donaldson. Janice Vreeland keeps her office of treasurer from this semester.

On Tuesday and Thursday evenings our volley ball team still gives its all to volley up a win. Good luck team!

We were all glad to see former K. I.'s, Shirley Simpson, Marilyn Garrett, Shirley Campbell, and June Brazell, who came up to visit their friends and attend the K. I. card party last weekend.

Theta News

Ah — exams, blue books, and last minute term papers to be pored over. As we look forward and beyond the crucial period we see a few returning and our little group enlarging. Those old members are Anne Gettel and Leontine Netzorg Wallace, who are just fond of their ole alma mater. Hayward has high hopes of returning to the ivy covered walls and her leadership of the little ones to be undertaken.

Tuesday night carried us back upstairs to the sorority room to elect our officers to carry on for next semester. Those selected were: Clutch Irwin, president;

Tene Hebert, vice president; Betty Houghtaling, recording secretary; Carol Steven corresponding secretary; and Rosemary Berger, treasurer. A party topped off the meeting in 302. The celebration was Betty's 21st birthday with all the trimmings.

A few famous last words before we say adieu: Carol, "E J's, next broom flight at midnight"; M. E., "I got it"; Mary Jo, "But it was only twelve minutes after—"; "Only 336 more hours"; Mary, "I don't wanta go to the U"; Bets, "It's love—"; Peg, "Another demonstration! Rosemary, "Hey, witch!"

So long, farewell, good-by for ever—see ya next semester.

Delt Data

Last Monday night we held our election of officers for next semester. The following men were elected: Ray Carless, president; Eldon Bailey, vice-president; Dick Miller, recording secretary; and Monte Corum, corresponding secretary. The whole fraternity wishes to congratulate these men on their election and wish them all the success in the world.

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Sports

Walt Lovell

Alma Wins Over Hillsdale In Second Half Rush

The Alma College basketball team defeated Hillsdale last Saturday evening by the indecisive score of 64-62, turning down a last half rush by a "firedup" Hillsdale team.

Following a lay-off of approximately three weeks during the Christmas vacation, the Alma quintet started the New Year off right by winning the first game on the road schedule.

well-earned victory. At the end of the first quarter the Alma "five" had blazed to a 23-16 lead, and the totals at the half showed Alma Captain Mick Hamilton banged in out front 36-31, a five point lead.

Alma 73, Detroit 70 Final
The next game finds the Scots traveling, once again, to Detroit to meet an improving and well-balanced Detroit Tech team, which has a victory over Albion (who defeated Hillsdale Monday 88-59), and an extremely narrow defeat by a highly-touted Lawrence Tech team.

Following are the Alma-Hillsdale statistics:
Alma B F Pts. Hillsdale B F Pts.
Healey, f . . . 4 8 11 Walsh, f . . . 9 1 19
Sawyer, f . . . 4 0 8 Moore, f . . . 4 2 10
Pueschner, c . . 5 3 13 Gettings, c . . 5 7 12
Hamilton, f . . 5 0 10 Holbeck, g . . 2 3 7
Mohre, g . . . 1 3 5 McDonald, g . . 0 0 0
Fitch, f . . . 0 0 0 Stalker, c . . 2 8 8
Weyer, f . . . 1 0 2 Hargam, c . . 0 0 0
Lueches, c . . 1 0 2 Hinkle, g . . 0 1 1
Garrett, g . . 2 1 5
Bramble, g . . 4 0 8
Totals . . . 27 10 64 Totals . . . 23 16 62
Alma 23 13 14 14-64
Hillsdale 16 15 15 16-22

Bowling

W. A. A.
Sigma Phi 9 1 0
K. I. 8 1 1
Thetas 6 4 0
Campus Wives 4 6 0
I.W.O. 2 7 1
Frosh 0 10 0
Tie between K. I. and I.W.O. will be played Tuesday. Sig Phi and K. I.'s will play for championship if necessary.

"Mamma," asked little Mary, "if I get married will I have a husband like Daddy?"
"Yes, dear."
"And if I don't get married will I be an old maid like Aunt Dory?"
"Yes, dear."
"Mamma it sure is hard for us women, isn't it?"

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Kalamazoo to Play Alma Here Saturday

Last home game of the current round of play in MIAA comes Saturday for Alma's Scots when Kalamazoo is entertained in Memorial gym.

Examinations also face the Scots after this encounter so a two-week lay-off in the schedule has been carded to give the athletes ample time to "bone-up" for the mid-year quiz sessions.

who could use the program since a preliminary survey indicates there may be some changes necessary when the second semester of play begins.

The battle with the Hornets, Saturday is a vital one for the Scots since they must win all on the schedule to keep title hopes alive. Already loser of one game to Hope, the Scots could gain championship honors by winning their remaining games and that is the aim of Coach Fred Lawrence and his squad.

He will use his same line-up for the game against Kazoo with Sawyer and Healey at the forwards, Bob Pueschner at center, Capt. Kirk Hamilton and Bob Mohre at the guards. Last season the Scots took the measure of Coach Bob Grew's squad twice by substantial margins but the Hornets have added some height and improvement since that time.

Nine lettermen, including four of the starting five of last year, are back for the current campaign so the coaching job of Grew is much simplified this season with so many veterans available. A fast breaking, high scoring type of game is played by the Hornets, the same as by Alma's squad, so fans attending Saturday night should see a slam-bang affair with plenty of baskets. Game time is 8:00 p. m.

Funny Thing

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er. I kan't underrstandd that at al.

I tink maebey the trouble is that that plase is so darn big. A man could run round that plase for dayes and he'd nevr cum bak to the same spott. I herd ov lotsa peepul git lost ther.

I went a littul ferthur two sea if I was ackshully rite. Firs I stole myself a dichshunery, then I followd sum of thos littul kiddys into ther classes. My gosh, ther mustabener tree tousand peepul in won rume ther. I nevr seed so meny in mi life. Then I got scared that maebey they wuld find out that I wassn't a stoodunt. This littul fellur standin on top of the stage nevir evun lukked at us at all. I was so supprized. He came runing to the klass likkity-cut just at the same time when the fire bel rings. I got up an started running like mad, but I nottised no won else was so I stopped. That littul feller started mumbulling to beet crazey an he never stoppd again until the fire bel rings again. Then all of sudden evrybodie grabs there buks and starts push in and malling and runnin to beet the band. I pikked myself offa the floor and realized that evryone was gon so I run lik mad to get out befor the

BOWLING



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Afternoons and Evenings

sences per semester be allowed Student Council members was passed.

A discussion followed regarding the sponsorship of men and women's single and double ping-pong tournaments in the Union.

The Student Council will attempt to sponsor an assembly program consisting of individual acts by the various organizations on the campus.

The result of the petition for keeping the library open on Sunday afternoon or evening showed a very large majority favored an afternoon period.

Bridegroom: "Don't make any more biscuits, dear."

Bride: "Why not, darling"
Bridegroom: "You're too light for such heavy work."

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Bill Castile reported that we have been asked to replace the two pin-pong tables which were loaned to us for use in the Union by the Women's Physical Education Department.

The amendment to the Constitution that three unexcused ab-

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Well, well, a big dance coming up this Friday night and just guess what my chief worry is. What to wear? No. Need new shoes??? No. Want my hair done in the newest, latest fashion???? No!!!! As usual, I'm wondering from whence cometh my next date. Honestly, you'd think after a while this problem would come to an abrupt halt but, alas, such is NOT the case. I am rapidly approaching the inevitable point of no return—what I mean

is, I am developing a keen dislike for the opposite sex. Which reminds me of a cute new song called "Another Human Being of the Opposite Sex". It makes a darling song but I'm sorry to report that there is no such animal. No, I don't mean I no longer believe there are such creatures as men. What I mean is, **THEY AIN'T HUMAN.**

Heavens, I sound like a dyed-in-the-wool misanthropist. Isn't college education wonderful??? Just look at that big word! Of course, I had to look it up in the dictionary to find out how to spell it, but that is quite a minor detail.

MEN, just WHY, diary, are they so important in a gal's life? They sure are blessed with all the leisure in life. If they feel like dating, they do. If they feel like not dating, they don't. If they see a new attraction they rush her. When the tire of the activity, they drop her. Whether they are inclined to talk, walk, smile, or ignore people is entirely up to their fickle discretion. Just compare this with a girl's most potent weapon — keeping her fingers crossed that the handsome lad in question will notice her after she has gone to all the trouble of being gay, witty, and charming besides putting on her most attractive garb and warpaint. We cater, flatter, chase, and in general, pamper 'em until we're exhausted and IF we're lucky they may graciously reward us by engaging in conversation. I use the term "conversation" loosely. Have you ever engaged in a conversation with a college man, diary? No, I guess you haven't — you hadn't better either!

And fortunate woman — when the wind is right, the fates are kind; when male resistance lowers and he's hard up for a date — you may be lucky enough to be elected!

Such is the life of a woman. It is dedicated to the proposition that men ARE.

This, diary, is my dissertation on the subject of "Man — the Wonder of the Ages". But somehow I have the feeling that in the long run, women triumph. Maybe someday I'll figure out why and how.

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knobs. Upon returning from the Union "Moe" Arnold was faced with the weighty problem of opening the door without a doorknob. He found out (with a little experimentation—scientific of course!) that some one else's worked just as well. There is one room without a doorknob now. We'll leave the answer to that one to public speculation.

Most of the campus knows by this time that Pioneer has become an unofficial dog pound. I know, there has been a reputation for years but up 'til a short time ago we had a real honest-to-goodness DOG. He was cute—in a mongrel sort of way.

For some odd reason the dorm has been fairly quiet the past few days. Could it be that finals are breathing down our necks?— (or is it Ma Kain???) Whatever the reason I sure am grateful for finals, in a way. No Almanian for the next two weeks!

General Hershey

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board but it is a split decision, General Hershey pointed out, the student then has a right to appeal to the National Selective Service Appeal Board. An appeal to the National Board is taken in the same manner as an appeal to the State Board, General Hershey explained. All that is necessary is another letter to the local board.

Many students have been confused, General Hershey observed, in differentiating between the I-S and II-S deferments. The II-S deferment is considered on the basis of class standing or qualification test and is discretionary on the part of the local board, General Hershey explained. It may be granted by the local board each successive year, thus enabling students who meet the criteria to complete their education. The I-S deferment on the other hand is a "one-shot" proposition designed only to allow those students who do not have eligibility for consideration for II-S deferments, and who have never before received a student deferment or postponement to complete their current academic year.

Local boards generally determine during the summer months to whom II-S deferments shall be granted for the next academic year. In making their determination, they consider the student's class standing for the previous academic year as furnished by the school on Selective Service Form 109. For example, a freshman student with a I-S deferment may, General Hershey pointed out, keep his class work to a point where he is in the prescribed upper portion of his class at the end of that academic year or during the year take the College Qualification Test so that he thereby becomes eligible for consideration for a II-S deferment for the next year.

In June 1951, the Department of Defense rescinded the inter-service agreement and have periodically extended the period until March 31, 1952. Therefore, any student desiring, in January, to enlist in the service of his choice will have the opportunity, General Hershey observed, and it appears probable that those students completing their academic year in June 1952, will also have ample opportunity to enlist in the service of their choice.

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About this time of year on every campus the one great question becomes, "What about exams?" And with most of us, a still greater question is "What about the exam in that course in which I am doing well, the course I detest?"

May I reminisce a bit? May I tell you about an experience in my Freshman year? And may I bear witness to what great a course I detested did me at the beginning of my college work? I went to a little Presbyterian college in Pennsylvania. It had a lot of fashionable ideas, such as that I had to take certain basic courses, not agree with the "cafeteria philosophy of education, where a person can select his own intellectual diet of cream puffs and soda. And, too, it did not agree with "the Sunday School philosophy of catin", where everybody passes. Consequently, I got put into a "course" that very first semester, a course in higher mathematics by a brilliant but exacting teacher.

Now math was not particularly difficult for me. In fact, I went through high school thinking that I might go to Carnegie Tech in Pittsburgh. I took all the math that was offered in high school, never pulled less than a "B", but by the time I had taken second algebra and solid geometry in high school I had decided that I was like math. And I cursed the college that was making me waste my time with math. The result: I went home for Christmas vacation knowing that I was flunking math. I took several of my choice books home with me for vacation, but that math book I simply threw into a corner of my dorm room and left it there. I had no thought of spoiling the holidays with that stuff!

But I did not have a very happy Christmas vacation! And when I told my old Quaker mother (my father died when I was a little boy) about my difficulties, I did not make her very happy. She knew my boy was simply "dogging life" and she told me so very plainly in the loving, stern way that only a Quaker can "hand it out".

I went back to college with a new outlook on life. There were weeks between Christmas vacation and final exams. If I could "knock a course" in three weeks then I was not much of a man. The first thing I did on returning to the campus was to lock myself in my room for three straight days with that detested math book. I was well enough in all my other courses and I cut them for three days. I did not even go to that math class. I was so far behind that I might well stay away until I had caught up with the field. I went to school except to meals for three full days. And I slept about six hours a night. I began with the first page of that detested math text and mastered every principle right through the last assignment by Christmas. I worked enough problems in every section to convince myself that I had the matter in hand.

I got a "B" out of the course. I met that surprised prof on the first day of second semester. He said to me, "Harker, you are the only perfect exam paper in my class. I ought to have given you an 'A', but you were so lazy throughout the course that it hurt me to even give you that 'B'. And I knew what he meant.

All this was thirty years ago. I still look upon that detested course as one of the decisive periods in my life. That was one of those times when I had to decide whether I was going to "run away with life" or "run around life" or "face up to life". That was the first time I actually faced up to life. I saw that if I flunked that course, I would merely flunk Math 11. I myself flunked. And I did not intend to "flunker" in life.

I write these lines with no thought of boasting. I merely want to say to every student on campus: here is the basic principle of life. If you are satisfied to flunk, then you will flunk. But remember, you can pass any course in the catalog. And life's great fundamentals hold. If you pass YOU pass!

So in school—as throughout all the years ahead—it all comes down to YOU. Remember, Jesus said that if a man dared live on His philosophy of life He would show that man how to become an overcoming

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