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Dr. Harker Receives \$250,000 Check



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A \$250,000 CHECK is handed to Dr. John Stanley Harker, left, president of Alma College, by Charles B. Van Dusen, retired president of the S. S. Kresge Co. The gift was from the Van Dusen Trust fund, created by Van Dusen and his wife many years ago for the purpose of building a new girls' dormitory at Alma College, Dr. Harker has indicated. The Van Dusen gift to Alma College will go toward the building of a new girls' dormitory at Alma College, Dr. Harker has indicated.

Debate Team to De Pauw U., Sat.

Two Alma College debate teams will participate in the Fifth Annual Delta Sigma Rho Debate Tournament to be held at De Pauw University, Greencastle, Indiana, on Saturday, February 16. Representing Alma on the affirmative will be Keith Nielsen, Alma, and Bill Franch, Ionia; and on the negative Alma's representatives will be Marcia Risser, Ionia; and Gene Schnelz, Hazel Park. Over forty teams from all parts of the country will participate in the tournament.

Four rounds of debate will be held on the national intercollegiate debate proposition, resolved: that the Federal Government should adopt a permanent program of wage and price control. The first three rounds of the tournament will be of the orthodox type, while round four is to be a cross-examination debate in which the teams cross-question each other on the respective cases.

Kiltie Band in the News

Your Kiltie Band was again honored by the Michigan Colleges Foundation by being invited to play at the Convocation Dinner held at the Fountain Ballroom of the Masonic Temple in Detroit. Your band played before dinner several stirring marches and immediately after entertained with a Highland Fling by Ruth and Phyllis Rose with Pipers Alexander and Kinner. Betty Hoerauf did a baton twirling act, for which she is justly famed, to music supplied by the band. The band stayed at the Hotel Tuller overnight and returned to Alma on Thursday. The band members enjoyed the trip and hope to be honored again.

The Kiltie Band was given the honor of making the background music for a movie produced by the Michigan Colleges Foundation for the purpose of expanding the work of the foundation. The band recorded several marches including "Scottie" which featured bagpipes and band.

Sunday, March 2, the Alma College Band under the Direction of R. E. Rufener will present in the gymnasium a program of varied music to suit every taste. The band cordially extends an invitation to all music lovers. The concert will be held at four p.m.

Ferris Gives Play

The Drama club of Ferris Institute Presented "Life with Mother" in the Alma College gymnasium, Tuesday night, February 12th. The play, a three-act comedy, was presented as a theatre-in-the-round. The audience was seated on all sides of the stage.

Following the play, an informal reception was held at the Delta house for members of the Ferris Drama club and others interested in meeting these people.

The Alma Drama Club elected its new officers for this semester at the recent meeting. They are: Pres., Ron Black; vice-pres., Doug Gillesby; sec., Ruth Morse; and treas., Marianne Geerlings.

Army Test

All eligible students who intend to take the Selective Service College Qualification Test in 1952 should file applications at once for the April 24 administration. Selective Service National Headquarters advised today.

An application and a bulletin of information may be obtained at any Selective Service local board. Following instructions in the bulletin, the student should fill out his application immediately and mail it in the special envelope provided. Applications must be post-marked no later than midnight, March 10, 1952. Early filing will be greatly to the student's advantage.

Dr. Allan Zaun to Lead Chapel in 'Religion in Life' Week

Dr. Allan A. Zaun, pastor of the Jefferson Avenue Presbyterian Church of Detroit, will be the guest leader of the annual observance of Religion in Life Week at Alma College from Monday, February 18 through Friday, February 22.

Chapel Programs

Dr. Zaun will address five student-faculty chapels during the week. Centering his talks around the general theme of "Challenge to Commitment", he will speak



Dr. Allan A. Zaun

From the Dean

During the month of February the usual two extended observances from chapel will be allowed. "Religion in Life" week falls on February 18-22. Chapels will be held each morning Monday through Friday. Attendance will be required at each of these chapels. The time schedule will be: 1st period—8:00 to 8:16; 2nd period—8:45 to 9:00; 3rd period—9:30 to 10:00; 4th period—10:15 to 10:30.

A. C. A.

SILENT SERMON

Many years ago Frederick the Great of Prussia conducted an experiment in which he wanted to determine the language a person would speak if one were isolated from speech from birth to death. He conducted this experiment by taking a group of newborn babies, shut them up in a room away from all speaking and administered only to their physical needs. It was not long before all of these babies died. Why? Certainly not because they lacked the physical necessities of life, for they were well-provided for by the ruler himself; rather modern psychology would tell us that these babies died because they did not receive human affectionate care. The lack of a mother's caress deterred the innate sensation of love and belonging, the lack of a smile deterred the innate consciousness of joy and happiness, and the lack of a kind sympathetic voice made dumb and dead the very breath of life.

"And Jesus answered him saying, it is written. That man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word of God." Luke 4:4
It would be illogical and unfor-givable to deny to yourself the opportunities to reach full maturity. Hence, take full advantage of the opportunities offered you to grow in good proportions, physically, mentally and spiritually.
Prayer: God, forgive the sin of impoverishing our minds and spirits, leaving but dry bones for the sake of our immortality. Amen.

Who Am I? "What Do I Weigh?" "Whom Do I Love?" "Whom Do I Love?" "Whom Do I Love?" "Whom Do I Love?"

In addition to his formal addresses, Dr. Zaun will hold conferences with students and faculty. Throughout the week students will have the opportunity to discuss both personal and vocational matter with him. The program also includes a daily Skeptic Hour, and fireside chats with fraternities, sororities, independent women's organizations, trailer court residents, and Pioneer Hall men.

Outstanding Leader

Dr. Zaun was graduated from Wheaton College and McCormick Seminary, receiving his Ph. D. from the University of Edinburgh, Scotland. Following this, he took special studies at the University of Tubingen, Germany, in 1937. From 1937-42, Dr. Zaun was associate pastor of the Fourth Presbyterian Church of Chicago, Illinois. From 1942-43, he served as Chaplain at the U. S. Naval Academy, Annapolis, and from 1943-45 he was chaplain on the aircraft carrier U.S.S. Hornet. Since February, 1946, he has served as pastor of the Jefferson Avenue Presbyterian Church of Detroit.

Traditional Event

Religion in Life Week is the outstanding religious event of the college year. Deep in the tradition of Presbyterian Colleges is this observance of a special time of spiritual emphasis during the school year. Alma College, along with more than 40 other Presbyterian schools, sets aside this special week for intensified religious emphasis in cooperation with the Board of Christian Education of the Presbyterian Church, U.S.A. The program was planned un-der the direction of Dr. Ross Mil-ler, Dean of the Chapel, and an enlarged Religion in Life Commit-tee composed of both faculty and students. Among the students and faculty members of the committee were: Miss Egan Pigg, Miss Florence Steward, and Lester Eyer.

SCHEDULE

Monday 18th	11:00 Morning Chapel—Dr. Zaun "Who Am I?" Psalm 8 Leaders—Dr. Harker and Dick Nisbet
4:00 Inquirers' Hour Student Union Bill Bauer and Dr. Potter	
7:30 Pioneer Hall—Dr. Zaun and Dr. Miller	
9:00 Delta Gamma Tau—Dr. Zaun Dick Miller, host	
Tuesday 19th	11:00 Morning Chapel—Dr. Zaun "What Do I Weigh?" Romans 12 Leaders—Dick Miller and Allene Stolt
4:00 Inquirers' Hour Student Union Bill Castle and Dean Stielstra	
5:00 Potluck—Dr. Zaun and Faculty with Dr. and Mrs. Harker	
9:30 Reception for Everyone After basketball game—Home of Dr. and Mrs. Harris	
Wednesday 20th	11:00 Morning Chapel—Dr. Zaun "Where Do I Live?" Philippians 1:8-24 Leaders—Keith Nielson and Mendell Vaughn
4:00 Inquirers' Hour Student Union Jack McCarthy and Mr. Skioner	
7:30 Wright Hall—Dr. Zaun and Mrs. Harker	
Sylvia Nelson, hostess	
7:30 Campus Trailer Court Phi Phi Alpha—Dr. Zaun Art Turner, host	
Thursday 21st	11:00 Morning Chapel—Dr. Zaun "Whom Do I Love?" I Cor. 13 Leaders: Bill Voska and Sylvia Nelson
4:00 Inquirers' Hour Student Union Lois Howell and Professor Pleicu	
7:30 Alpha Theta, Kappa Iota and Sigma Phi—Dr. Zaun and Mrs. McKesery	
Marilyn Gordon, Carol Stevens Judy Phillips, hostesses	
9:00 Zeta Sigma—Dr. Zaun Ken Burgess, host	
Friday 22nd	11:00 Morning Chapel—Dr. Zaun "Whom Am I Going?" John 14:1 to 6 and 15 to 21 and 27. Leaders: Grant Gallup and Russ Durier

CHAPELS FEBRUARY 1952

- Monday, Feb. 18 - Friday, Feb. 22—Spiritual Emphasis Week
Daily Chapel at 11 o'clock. Dr. Allan Zaun of Detroit
- Monday, Feb. 25—
- Friday, Feb. 29—Student Chapel, under Dick Miller
World Day of Prayer for Students

Important Decisions...

One of the features of the last meeting of the board of trustees is the presentation of a check for a quarter of a million dollars to be used in Alma's new building program. The check was formal-ly presented to President Harker Mr. Charles Van Dusen, an-der of Westminster church. The gift was from the Van Dusen Trust Fund, created by Mr. and Mrs. Charles B. Van Dusen many years ago for the purpose of as-sisting charitable, educational and religious enterprises.

Unless government restrictions event, the Jerry Tyler Mem-orial Student Center will be started in spring. This building is the gift of Dr. and Mrs. Leon Tyler Niles, in memory of their son, former trustee of Alma College. The number of faculty mem-bers for next year will not be re-duced, in spite of falling enroll-ment caused by the draft. In-stead, two new teachers will be added, to offer courses not now being offered.

A full program of spring sports will be maintained, but with a schedule limited almost exclu-sively to M.I.A.A. competition. The maintenance of this schedule being made possible by the personal contribution of members of the Board of Trustees.

Another decision by the Board will prove very popular with all students, alumni, and friends of a college. This is the plan, formulated at the meeting, to pre-sent Professor Robert Clack with an honorary degree of Doctor of Science at the June Commence-ment. Professor Clack is now reaching his fifty-ninth semester at Alma, and we all rejoice in the honor being paid him.

New Books In Library

Churchill, Winston S. CLOSING THE RING. Houghton - Mifflin, 1951. This volume, five, of the English Prime Minister's History of the Second World War covers events from June 1943 to June 1944.

Hoover, Herbert. MEMOIRS: YEARS OF ADVENTURE, 1874-1920. Macmillan, 1951. A brief record of his life up to 1920, covering first his life as a mining engineer and second his work as food administrator during the First World War. The first was written in 1915 and 1916 for his sons—the second during the years 1920-1924. The records have been revised very little, Mr. Hoover feeling that to do so would lessen their value as a contemporary narrative.

Woolf, Virginia. A HAUNTED HOUSE. Harcourt, 1944. Thir-teen of the eighteen stories in-cluded have appeared in print previously. All of the remaining five had not been finally revised by the author. This is second volume of the English novelist's short stories to be published.

Williams, C. B. and Stevenson, A. H. RESEARCH MANUAL FOR COLLEGE STUDIES AND PAPERS. Harper, 1951. As do most, this manual covers the use of refer-ence books, planning and out-lining the paper, note-taking, il-lustration and documentation. It seems particularly good as a guide for method in writing college pa-pers.

The President's Chair



SPRING SPORTS

It was with great satisfaction that I announced following the meeting of our Board of Trustees that Alma College will maintain its program of spring sports in full. By this time you students must have recognized that no one on this campus is more enthusiastic about extra-curricular activities than is your president. That goes for even co-education; I found my own wife on a Presbyterian college campus.

On the other hand, I feel our students should realize and appreciate how Alma College is moving ahead in these trying days without curtailment. Despite enrollment losses, we are being able to maintain our program in full for you simply because consecrated Christian men and women believe in what we are trying to do at Alma College. This decision to maintain spring sports is illustrative. Spring sports this year are being financed out of a hat that our Trustees passed at the lunch hour of our recent Board meeting. When I made that announcement in Chapel, a student said to me, "Our Trustees must be wealthy men." Such is not the case. But they are men who believe in Christian youth. They are men who are eager to invest what they have in the future of a Christian America. For instance, the two men who started that hat around are ministers of Detroit Presbyterian churches. And each man tossed \$50 out of his own pocket into that hat! But whoever charged a minister with being wealthy? Or what fair-minded man ever suggested that a meager minister's salary was too high? These are the men who have said down through the years, "Wealth I do not have, but what I do have I eagerly give to you". Alma College is being developed on the Christian philosophy of sharing.

I want Alma known up and down this State for fighting but clean varsity teams. I have watched our teams this my first year at Alma with great satisfaction. We play to win. And no one has more disgust than I do with any philosophy of sports that places the emphasis on character development by defeat. But we play every game clean. So let's keep on enhancing a great Alma tradition: No MIAA championship is ever awarded until Alma is crowned or eliminated. But the Scots know no other game than the toughest, cleanest game that is played. This faith of our Board of Trustees in us ought to be a great boost to that kind of Christian sportsmanship!

Where, Oh Where Has That Little Spirit Gone?

During the waning weeks of the last football season, some of the more spirit-minded individuals on campus really pepped it up. The result was that the whole school was in a half-frenzy in support of the team. That football team consisted of many men.

Now we are in the waning days of the basketball season and what do we see? First of all the basketball team consists of a few men. But that difference in size should not mean that the latter sport is to be slighted. Secondly, we see that the basketball team has a poorer record than the football team had. Perhaps to some this might mean that we should not give our wholehearted support to a losing team. But to others it should mean that we should give just that much more support to the team. It should mean that these same spirit-pushing individuals, or others who might take their place, should (to put it bluntly) get on the ball and pep up the whole student body. Perhaps the two sports call for different actions — but we don't think so. Basketball can win as much recognition for a school and can do as much for the men playing it as football.

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One Problem Solved: Another Created

At the beginning of the year, all of those students who wished to drive a car on the campus were to register said car with the Dean. The problem of who was to have cars and who was not was therefore solved. But—now that we have done that, what are we to do with these cars. Have you noticed the rather unique crossword-puzzle system of parking the freshmen have been forced to originate in the driveway in front of Pioneer Hall? Or have you noticed the rather cozy system that has evolved in and around the circular drive at the side of Wright Hall? And have you noticed that during the better days, enough space is present for one to drive through the path in front of the Arts Building? We must mention that a new curb and some no-parking signs which the city so graciously offered us have not facilitated the situation any. But nevertheless, there is a parking problem. The Dean and others have given the matter thought. Perhaps we could think about the problem too, and come forth with an ingenious solution.

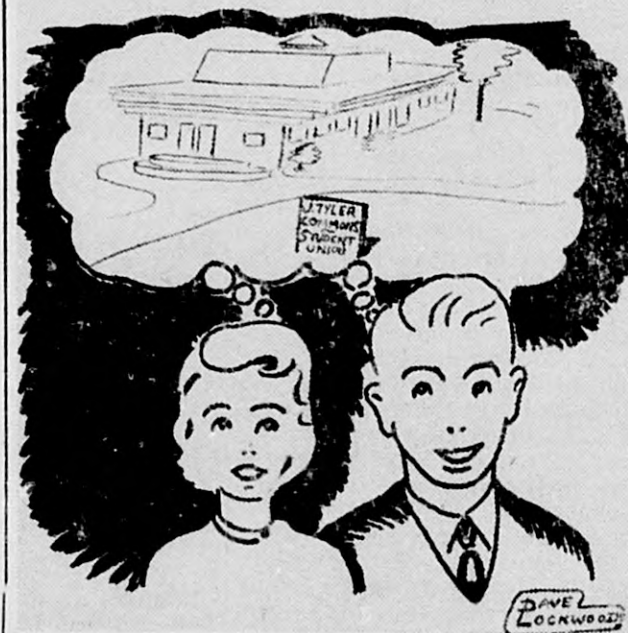
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IF AT FIRST . . . TRY, TRY, AGAIN

Spring has sprung,
Fall has fell,
Winter is here,
And it's just as cold—
as it was last winter.

Semester 132 has begun. With it comes the proverbial "clean slate", new classes and eventually the advent of spring.

Alma College has many improvements planned for this semester. The breaking ground for the Tyler Commons is the big thing at the moment. Spring sports have been approved and it would appear that the college with all of its merits always has the student in mind.



Alma gives its best to the student, but does the student always give his best to Alma? There are many clubs and organizations on campus just crying for new members—but students seem to shy away from organizations with the ever constant question in mind—what can that certain club do for me? This is a rather selfish way to look at the problem. Did the student ever stop to consider what he could give to the club?

In geometry one learns that the whole is equal to the sum of its parts. What better way can a student be a part of Alma College than to become an active member of one of the organizations on campus?

It is the beginning of a new semester—a clean slate. Why not enter into college activities? The clubs on campus are varied and of many interests. If you cannot find one that you are interested in, maybe you had better take a look at yourself. Why aren't you interested?

Academically in the new semester — a word to the wise is sufficient. Remember how the work piled up last semester? Why doesn't every student on campus try this semester to keep up with his work? If a paper is due on Friday, it is just as easy to write on Thursday night as it is to do on Sunday night. Once a student gets behind—he is always behind. If he can stay ahead, he remains much better off.

So let's have all of the students on campus give all they can for Alma College this semester. Let's show the administration that all of the work that they put on giving Alma's students the best, is not in vain, but a just and worthy cause.

M. A. C.

Albion Downs Scots 77-76 in Final Seconds

Albion, Mich. — Feb. 13

It was a long ride home from Albion for the Alma Scot's basketball team as their title chances were hopelessly smashed following a thrilling 77-76 battle with the Briton quintet. The contest was extremely close with neither team running up a commanding lead at any time during the game. The score at half-time showed Albion out front with a slim 43-40 lead. The score changed hands constantly in the last half, with the end of the "dogged" battle in sight. Hess Wever banged in a basket with approximately two minutes to go, giving Alma a 76-75 lead which, moments later, was turned into a 77-76 one point lead for Albion on Don Little's clinching basket. Alma was not able to surpass this one point lead in the final seconds and were thus edged out in another one point thriller. Also hindering the Scot's cause was the loss of both Bill Healey and diminutive Bobby Mohre on fouls. High scorers for Alma were Bill Healey netting 21 points, with Bob Pueschner and Mick Hamilton hitting the hoops for 18 apiece following close behind.

In losing to Albion, Alma's chances for winning the title were virtually ended. The league record boasted by the Scots shows three victories as against four losses. At the present time, Alma holds fourth place in the MIAA standings behind Hope (5-1) who ranks first, with Albion (5-2) and Kalamazoo (5-2) tied for second. Despite the fourth place position now held by the Alma team, they certainly are a much better team than the record shows. In three of the four games that Alma has lost, the margin of victory has been five points or less. Alma lost to Hope by point, Kalamazoo by five points, and Wednesday to Albion by one point, plus a defeat to Hope following a natural let-down after the Lawrence Tech contest. Alma easily could have been in that number one spot in the league standings. Alma may still tie for the league lead should Hope lose their last three, and both Albion and Kalamazoo lose two of their remaining games. However, this seems very unlikely. The Scots total game record shows a mediocre six victories and ten losses.

Saturday, the Scots remain at home to play the Hillsdale quintet in a contest which should prove to be extremely entertaining. The Scots will be attempting to return to the victory trail once more against these Hillsdale cagers after losing their last six games. So be on hand for a grueling battle!

"Activity Counts"

Up until the Fall of 1949, or Semester 127, the students at Alma had to have 128 hours in order to graduate from Alma College. Then the policy was changed and so, to make life more enjoyable and less harsh, only 120 hours were needed to graduate. There was an idea behind this change and this was that the students had to have six hours of activity credit for graduation. By doing this the college thought that it would make for a more general all-around college life for the students and also secure a person's interest in other fields of life besides his or her studies. This is working out fine and activity credits are being given for the extra activities in which you are now participating.

Are you doing your part in this effort to broaden your scope on life and college in general? Are you entering into these activities with all your heart and giving your most? These various activities are for your good and interest only; so do your part and really earn them.

Little Sally was watching her mother put cold cream on her face.

"What's that for?" asked Sally. "To make me beautiful," her mother replied.

The little girl observed the whole process and watched breathlessly as her mother finally finished.

"Oooh," she sighed, "It didn't work, did it, Mommy?"

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Scots Drop Sixth Straight, Home Sat.

Soo Tech Wins in Second Meet

The avengers struck down upon the Alma Scots basketball team twice within the short period of a week. Soo Tech avenged an early season massacre with a triumphant 83-67 victory on February 2nd over the Scots. Following up three days later was Calvin, who also won easily, 76-69, and increased the Alma losing streak to three games.

Against Soo Tech the Scots had an off night especially their ace center Bob Pueschner who had two points all evening and topped things off by spraining his ankle in the closing minutes of the game. Bill Roe, of Soo Tech, was high man with 32 points. Bill Healy and Capt. Mickey Hamilton led the Scots with 22 and 19 points, respectively. The score by quarters with complete box score:

Alma	FG	FT	Pts	Soo Tech	FG	FT	Pts
Healy, f	9	4	22	Roe, f	12	8	32
Hamilton, f	9	1	19	Karr, f	7	3	17
Pueschner, c	1	0	2	Cloutier, c	0	0	0
Mohre, g	3	3	9	Fazi, g	8	2	18
Sawyer, g	2	1	5	Luekle, g	0	0	0
Weaver, g	2	0	4	Laundy, g	0	1	1
Fitch, g	2	0	4	Gross, g	4	5	13
Bramble, g	0	0	0	Gibson, g	1	0	2
McDonald, g	1	0	2				

BY QUARTERS:
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Soo Tech19 27 18 19-83

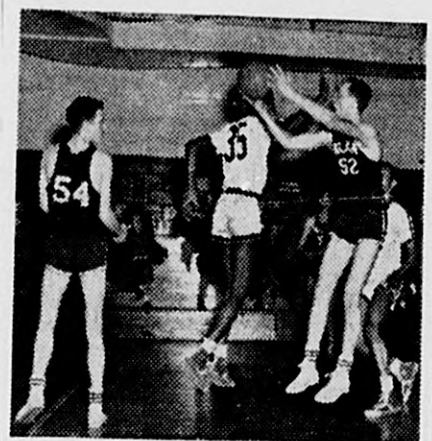
Calvin Comes Through!

Calvin launched a vicious attack against Alma on their home court to emerge victorious, 76-69. The Scots showed little, if any, improvement since their showing against Soo Tech three nights before. However, the Scots had one bit of good news from the game. That is, Captain Hamilton's continued scoring streak. Hamilton led both teams in scoring with 25 points. Center Bob Pueschner still remains on the injury list, however, despite one brief appearance in which he failed to counter. Bill Healy and Bob Mohre each had 18 while Duane Rosendaal and

Preston Kool had 22 pts. each for Calvin.

Alma trailed 22 to 17 in the first quarter and that five point difference was the closest they came to winning until late in the game. They trailed far behind at the half, 44-35. The score by quarters:

Alma	17	18	18	16	69
Calvin	22	22	18	13	76



ALMA VS ADRIAN

The Alma Scots turned back Adrian 79-53 Wednesday night and were edged out by a scrappy Detroit Tech squad 73-70 Tuesday night to conclude this week's away games gaining an even split. The Adrian victory was, of course, the most important, as it leaves Alma in a three way tie for first place in the MIA A. Both Bill Healey and Bob Pueschner garnered nineteen points each to pace the Scots to this victory.

DETROIT TECH

At Tech, Healey and Pueschner again led the Alma quintet with 19 and 23 respectively. Although Alma led for the entire game, the Detroit boys won out in the final seconds.

Student Council

It was voted that the Student Council purchase four rubber paddles and four cork paddles for use at the ping-pong tables in the Student Union.

Prior to the ping-pong tournaments, lists of prospective participants will be made from each of the fraternities and sororities and from Wright and Pioneer Halls.

It was decided that the members of the Student Council may or may not be changed at the half-year period. The decision rests with the organization which has elected them to the Council.

February 12
It was voted that awards for Ping-Pong Tournament consist of the following:

- 1 Large Trophy, First Male Singles.
 - 1 Large Trophy, First Girl Singles.
 - 2 Small Trophies, First Male Doubles.
 - 2 Small Trophies, First Girl Doubles.
 - 6 Gold-Plated Medals, Second in all Divisions.
- All lists of participants should be handed in to the Student Council by the next meeting, Tuesday, February 19.

There have been numerous com-



Left to right—top row—Coach Lawrence, H. Weaver, G. MacDonald, B. Fitch, B. Kersten, M. Bramble, R. Garrett.
1st row—J. Sawyer, B. Healey, B. Pueschner, M. Hamilton, B. Mohre.

plaints regarding the new cut system inaugurated this semester. Dean Stielstra will be invited to the next Council meeting for the purpose of clarifying and discussing this program.
Jan Bleil, Secretary

You Might Have Known

I never flunk; I never pass.
I never chew gum in class.
Never had to take a test.
With typing craze, I'm never blessed.
But still I am an earthly creature;
Yes, you've guessed it . . .
I'm the teacher.

"Er-a-Dad," stammered the youth. "I'm in love with a girl and—"
"Well," interrupted his blase parent, "you couldn't have made a better choice."

Sports in the News

by Lovell

Maybe it's just a coincidence that collegiate athletic moguls decided to assemble in Cincinnati in a year which finds sports under heavy fire from all sectors, but it seems ironic.

Three Little Words

Collegiate athletics, at the present rather distasteful to the public mind whenever the word recruit is mentioned, is in the wake of a rather unpleasant upheaval that threatens the every existence of competitive sports, or at least leaves distasteful thoughts. Last month, a group of college presidents submitted a new athletic code to the NCAA membership. This code calls for the following: (1) Elimination of athletic scholarships. (2) Elimination of spring football practice. (3) Elimination of postseason contests such as bowl games. (4) Elimination of freshman from varsity teams.

These rules were drawn up by a group of sincere gentlemen who, I suppose, were honestly trying to put college sports where they belong. However, in my book they missed the boat. We all admit that the problem lies in two little words . . . proselyting and subsidization—that is, improper pressure put on boys to go to a particular institution and giving them more than a legitimate scholarship when they get there.

Taking away athletics doesn't prevent alumni subsidization. Also, abolishing spring football practice doesn't solve these evils, either. The third proposal is to eliminate post-season games. Here the plug in the bottom of the boat comes out. Post-season football games have been played since 1902, nearly as long as football itself has been a national sport. They are a part of football rather than an element that has brought

proselyting and subsidization. You can't cure a sick dog by cutting off his leg.

Number four on the committee's list, elimination of freshman from varsity teams, would only aid and abet the so-called evils of collegiate athletics. First, it would eliminate athletic participation of the small school, like Alma. Secondly, it would push athletic subsidization into further extremities. And thirdly, it would remove the choice of competitive sports from the student and thus turn his mind away from the spirit and progress institution, which is to be his home for four years.

What Should Be Done?

Lyall Smith, sports editor of the Detroit Free Press, has a solution that this writer is in complete agreement with. He gives four steps, or rules, that must be followed. They are:

"I. Prohibit any member of the school, athletic department or alumni association from raising money to get prospective athletes in school and pay them while they are there.

"II. Definitely define a legitimate scholarship.

"III. Positively state that any athlete found accepting more than a legitimate scholarship will be expelled from school, or banned from athletic activity.

"IV. Just as positively state that any school which is found to be offering more than legitimate aid to any athlete will be black-listed, fined, and denied an athletic schedule.

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KAPPA KAPPERS

Seems good doesn't to be starting a new semester with last year's work and worries and EXAMS behind us? We, all have a clean slate so here's hoping all the guys and gals at Alma keep up with their work and won't have to cram for finals or stay up nights to finish that term paper. It can be done. . . . so I've heard. CONGRATULATIONS—to Greta Perry, who is now officially engaged to "her boy" in the service. It's a beautiful ring and we want to extend our very best of wishes to a wonderful gal and a very lucky fellow. We want to congratulate the Sigma Phi's on their AMO TE; it was a wonderful dance. And while we are handing out congratulations, the boys of Pioneer Hall deserve a lot of credit for the open house last Friday; everyone enjoyed it a great deal.

Speaking of Open Houses, the K. I.'s and the Phi's invite you all to our open house this Friday. There is a good time in store for all. . . . hope to see you there.

There were a lot of tired K. I.'s after the basketball game against the Theta's. . . . we lost, but it was fun. We all realized we had muscles that we had no idea existed. . . . especially the next day.

We had our first formal meeting of this semester this last Monday

and we are off to a good start again this year. Speaking of being off on a good start, I guess I'd better finish and do my Spanish if I'm to keep my slate clean for this semester. . . . So Long.

PHI LIP

It's good to see everyone back again all bright and cheery after our vacation. Speaking of vacation reminds me of vaccination which reminds me of the Red Cross, cuss their syringes. Our glorious attempt at out-and-out patriotism was nipped right in the bud, thanks to a horrible mess. Seems as though we got in touch with the local Red Cross, where we were informed that the minimum age for donating was eighteen. We went happily skipping on our way, signed up 100 hearty students only to have the figure 21 staring us in the face.

I can hardly hear myself thinking at the present due to the fact that the gentleman on this particular side of the prison have decided that after 12:00 is the best time to get things ready for our open house Friday. Then there's the little fellow outside trying to burn the catsup out of his motorcycle. I'm paying \$50 for living in a boiler factory yet!

Say, that open house at Pioneer Hall was quite a jim dandy, wasn't it? Also on the docket is a peachy surprise for next month; however, by the time this little item gets to press everyone will no doubt be informed.

B. J. Anderson has been up making a pest of himself the past few days, as has been our star boarder, M. Portlance also Buz Snow and Rusty Locke.

Seems to be nothing more to do but get back to the birds. (Notice, Biology Dept.) See yo'all at the Open House. K.I.'s are giving a welcome hand; so it promises to be quite a night.

THETA NEWS

It's time again for Theta news, And so we'll try to bring to youse A little of the latest gab.

Before that date with Bio. lab. The Thetas received the surprise of their lives Monday night when the Zetas arrived en force to serenade Jeanine and Janie. We have had to reverse our foregone conclusion that the Zetas must be composed entirely of a group of unmusical monotones, and now we are wondering who belongs to that beautiful tenor voice. It was swell, fellows, and though it was a surprise, it was certainly a very pleasant one.

At last week's meeting, our president, "Clutch" Irwin, announced the appointment of the following officers:

Room Chairman, Jane Kersten; sentinel, Barb Lawrence; guide, Marianne Geerlings; A.C.A., Mary Jo Frye; Keeper of the Archives, Mary Menovske; second critic, Helen Songer; Parliamentarian, Rosemary Rogers; Almanian Reporter, Ghost Writer No. 1 (best we keep this identity unknown).

Lee Wallace and Ann Gettel's return to the Thetas this semester is certainly appreciated by all. Their experience certainly comes in handy as we begin work on our

big dance, the Theta Tavern, coming up on the calendar on March 1. The girls are hard at work on the traditional chorus line—one, kick, oop-sa-daisy—, costumes, decorations, and a line-up of attractions that promise you a fine floor show and an evening of fun. Be watching for more news of this your Theta Tavern.

ZETA SIGMA

Looking over the sea of faces, I see that most of the boys have returned with the exception of John Harrison (he graduated), Aubry Wells (he decided to work for a semester, then perhaps come back), Bill Rotsted (he got smart and went down to sunny Florida to go to school), and Bob Walcott (he also graduated).

Judging from the looks on the boys' faces when they got back (drawn and haggard), they must have had a lot of good, clean fun between semesters. There's nothing like a little vacation to keep a fellow loose. Take Charlie Nittis, for instance; he went to Detroit and came back just glowing. Who was she, Charlie? Just another illustration of the saying, "Never underestimate the powers of a woman".

Dexter Fossitt and Spence Butters are doing a little painting and fixing up of their rooms and not doing too bad a job of it either. The only thing is, I think Spence could have picked a little better color. It is sort of a baby, what'll I say, brown? Dex had a combination dresser and wardrobe outfit in his room that he thought was too big, so Max went to work on it with a saw and hammer. Now Dex has a dresser just right for a midget. Max also told him to paint it black and shove it into a corner some place so no one will see it. You just can't please them, that's all.

NO NEWS FROM

DELTA GAMMA TAU

Sig Sez

Well, the Amo Te is over for another year—all those hours of work were worth it—we had lots of fun putting the dance on and it sure was nice to see you people there and we'd like to thank our chaperons, the McCalls and the Eyers. I don't know which was more work, putting the decorations up or taking them down—other than a few blisters and slivers everyone survived though I was a little worried about Gordie as she was balancing precariously around the rafters someplace taking down lights. I won't make much comment on the floor show except I think some of the "Alma fellows" were well exemplified. Hope we showed you gals some of the techniques of catching "that man".

Another of our gals has joined the "Mrs." list. Sue Reavey was married to Jack MacLaughlin last Saturday night. Betty Fowler poured at her reception. Flower also brought us back some of the marvelous wedding cake. We wish Jack and Sue all the possible happiness—and we'll be quite anxious to see her again when she returns next week.

Katie received another phone call from Doug who is with Uncle Sam. These telephone calls sure can make life worth living. Seems good to see Char and Don around these days too.

Shirley Ann isn't navigating too well since her little episode with a pair of skis—sure hope she recovers real fast cause we miss her. Tricia says Tweedie pushed Shirley but I don't know.

Well, classes are calling again—and already I'm snowed. What will I do come June? Well, see you around campus—.

New Union Boss

"Credit where credit is due" says the old adage and that is just what we're about to put into practice. By this time most of you Alma-ites must know that the Union is under new management, but, do you realize how effective and hard working that management is? If not, it's high time you learned that one member of our student body has taken on the responsibility of promoting our union to its rightful position of permanence in campus leisure activity.

The ambitious young man is Bob Kenrick, a freshman from Onaway. Bob officially took charge on January 5. In the past six weeks he has worked for the union's benefit both behind the counter and outside. Bob has a lot of new ideas to increase the popularity of our student activity center, widen its services to the students and promote the spirit of friendliness that has so long been Alma's tradition. We interviewed Bob earlier this week and he gave us a little preview of some of the ideas he has been brewing. We're not authorized to announce any of them officially, but take our word for it, things are looking up!

Bob has asked us to print a schedule of the Union hours, so for your future reference here they are: Monday through Friday the Union will be open until ten at night, Saturday, until noon and Sunday from 4:30 to 8:30. The Union will close at six on the Friday nights that there is some campus activity and will open on Saturday nights after basketball games and dances. We'll see you there tomorrow night. Bob is also seeking to eliminate closing the Union on Thursday afternoons.

The policy concerning the opening of the dairy bar during a party is much the same as it has been. Just be sure to see Bob sufficiently in advance. If you plan to serve pop or coffee for refreshments Bob will be glad to make arrangements at nominal cost. We repeat—don't wait until the last minute.

We feel that students, as groups or individuals, couldn't ask for more convenient hours or a fairer policy—and be justified.

We wish the best of luck to Bob and offer our whole-hearted cooperation. In our book he rates as the man who will succeed.

Campus Wives

Welcome new members! Officers for the new semester are: President—Edith McLeod; vice-president—Joyce Young; secretary—Edna Olin; treasurer—Beverly Weaver; social chairman—Sherry Mulbar.

Congratulations go to Mr. and Mrs. Mendall Vaughn on their new arrival. We welcome little Sandra Lee to the "Campus Wives".

Bev. "Whizzy" Weaver, our basketball captain, is all out for a good team. Look out, sororities! Congratulations are also in order for Marion Boston and Dorothy Northrup on receiving their PHT (Putting Hobby Through).

Boy: Uh-huh—love is blind. Coed: Yeah, but it sure finds its way around in the dark.

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Ken Reeves Here

The Reverend Kenneth Reeves of the Board of Christian Education of the Presbyterian Church U.S.A., will visit campus this Thursday and Friday. Mr. Reeves is associated with the Board of Department of Higher Education with home office in Philadelphia.

SENATE PRESIDENT

Miss Carole Rohlfis, Alma College senior from Akron, Michigan, has been elected president of the Wright Hall Senate, women's dormitory governing body. Miss Rohlfis is a music major and will receive her degree in music education in June. She is a member of the A Cappella Choir and a past president of the Kappa Iota Sorority. Because of her outstanding work she has been elected to "Who's Who in American colleges and Universities."

ENROLLMENT

Miss Molly Parrish, Registrar announced a second semester enrollment of 420 students. This is a decrease of 11 per cent from last year's enrollment, and a decrease of 5 per cent from the preceding semester.

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News Comedy

TUES.-WED. ONLY FEB. 19-20

Mark Stevens, Peggy Dow, Gigi Perreau in

REUNION IN RENO

— Second Feature —

Glenn Ford, Gene Tierney, Zachary Scott and

Ethel Barrymore in

THE SECRET OF CONVICT LAKE

Shorts Comedy

THURS. ONLY—FEB. 21

Paul Douglass, Barbara Bel Geddes and Richard Basehart in

FOURTEEN HOURS

Shorts Cartoon

FRI.-SAT., FEB. 22-23

Farley Granger, Shelly Winters and William Demarest in

BEHAVE YOURSELF

Serial News Comedy

SUN.-MON., FEB. 24-25

Mitzi Gaynor, Dennis Day and Dale Robertson in

GOLDEN GIRL

News Technicolor Comic

TUES.-WED.-THUR., FEB. 26-27-28

Tony Martin, Janet Leigh and Gloria DeHaven in

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