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## Construction Starts on Tyler Center

### Graduates to Hear Dr. Frew

Dr. Allen MacLachlan Frew, minister of the First Presbyterian Church in Detroit, will be the speaker at the sixty-fifth annual Commencement exercises on Saturday, June 7, when Alma College will graduate 85 students. Dr. Frew will speak on "Design for Living". The commencement exercises will be held on the lawn in front of the library, starting at 9:45 a.m. In case of inclement weather, the exercises will be held in the chapel. Dr. Frew received his undergraduate training at Davidson College, North Carolina. Interested in the teachings and doctrines of John Knox, he gained a thorough theological training from Princeton Theological Seminary graduating in 1935. In 1940, he received the degree of Doctor of Divinity from Waynesburg College, Pennsylvania.

Ordained as a Presbyterian clergyman in 1935, Dr. Frew served as pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Ardmore, Pa., for 17 years. In 1950 he occupied the position of moderator of the Philadelphia Presbytery. He is presently a member of the Board of Foreign Missions and a Trustee of Princeton Theological Seminary and Beaver College.

Dr. Frew is now serving as minister of the First Presbyterian Church of Detroit, the 13th clergyman to serve in that important ministerial post during the 136 year history of the church.

The commencement week will open at Alma College with the Baccalaureate exercises in the college chapel at 8:00 p.m. on Sunday, June 1. President John Stanley Harker will address the graduating seniors on the subject, "The Master's Scale of Values".

Other scheduled events include the tea for seniors and their parents, the senior breakfast, the senior promenade and farewell to buildings, the A Cappella Choir concert, President's reception, and the commencement luncheon in the grove following the commencement exercises.

The complete commencement program:

Sunday, June 1:  
8:00 p. m. Baccalaureate Service, College Chapel. Address President John Stanley Harker.

Thursday, June 5:  
Senior Class Activities.  
8:30 a. m. Senior Breakfast — Wright Hall.

9:00 p. m. Senior Promenade and Farewell to Buildings.

Friday, June 6:  
3:00 p. m. Tea for Seniors and their parents.  
7:30 p. m. A Cappella Choir Concert, Chapel.

8:30 p.m. President's reception at the President's home. All friends of the college are invited. Informal.

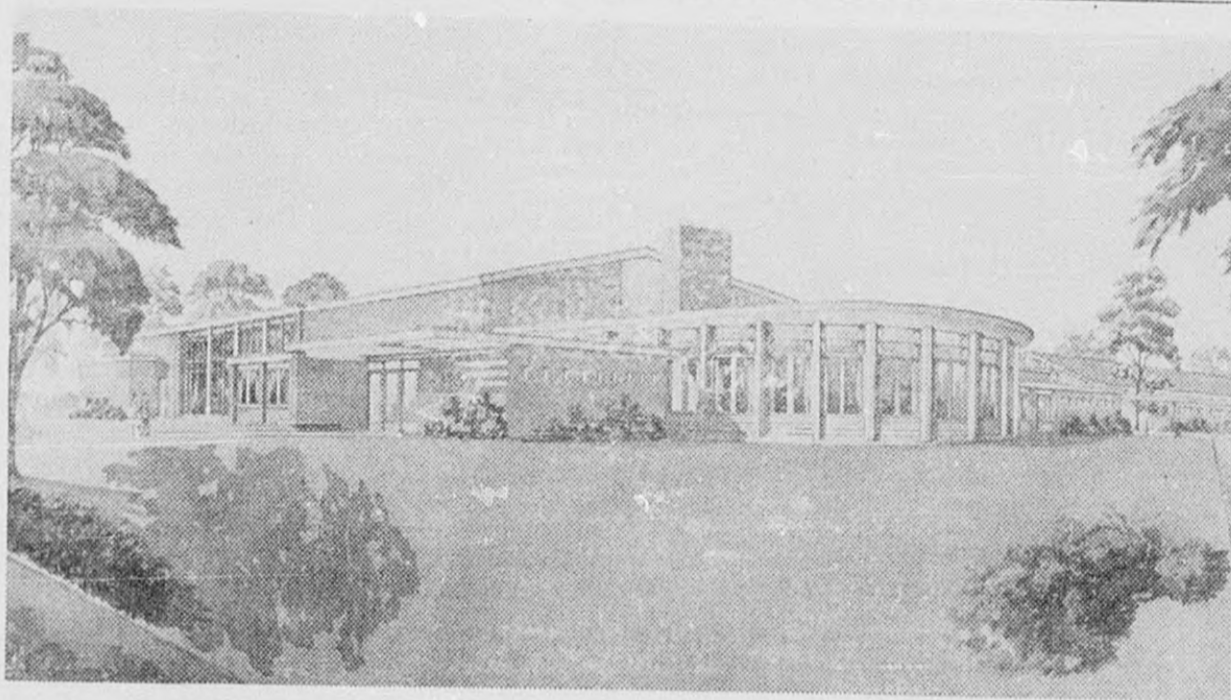
Saturday, June 7:  
Commencement Day.  
9:45 a. m. Academic Procession, Wright Hall.  
10:00 a. m. Commencement Exercises. Address by Dr. Allan M. Frew, minister, First Presbyterian Church, Detroit.  
12:15 p. m. Commencement luncheon, College grove. Attendance by reservation.

### GRANT AND HOWELL ARE NEW EDITORS

On May 13, the Publications Committee announced the appointments for the yearbook and newspaper for the year 1952-1953.

Grant Gallup, sophomore from Gastra will take over the editorship of the Almanian, while Bob Kelley, sophomore from Detroit, will be the new business manager.

The new editor of the Scotsman for next year is Lois Howell, a junior from West Branch. Her business manager is John Neuman, a sophomore from Lansing.



The new building is a gift of Dr. and Mrs. Leon Tyler of Niles, in memory of their son Jerry.

### Memorial Plans Finished

Construction at Alma College of the Jerry Tyler Student Center will begin immediately according to an announcement made today by President John Stanley Harker. The new building is a gift of Dr. and Mrs. Leon Tyler of Niles, Michigan. Dr. Tyler is a member of the Board of Trustees of the College and formerly was on the faculty. Dr. and Mrs. Tyler are giving the building as a memorial to their son Jerry and his family who were victims of the LaSalle Hotel fire in Chicago several years ago.

The new Student Center will house facilities for all the student social activities. Included in the structure are an auditorium with stage, several lounges, game room, snack bar and student post office. The auditorium will accommodate over 500 and is planned as a multiple purpose room for dramatic and special entertainment programs, movies and social gatherings.

The new building is the first building of a unit to include a dining hall and a women's dormitory. The student center will be located on the west side of the campus paralleling Superior Street at the location of the present tennis courts.

Next year construction is expected to get underway on the next two buildings of this unit, the dining hall and women's dormitory. Other buildings to be added later include a science hall, music building and a classroom building.

### Clack Will Receive Honorary Degree

Professor Robert W. Clack, for 28 years a member of the Alma College faculty as Professor of Mathematics, will receive the honorary degree of Doctor of Science at the Sixty-fifth Commencement of the college on June 7.

Mr. Clack holds his Bachelor of Arts and Master of Arts degrees from Grinnell College. He was ordained as a Congregational minister in 1924. Mr. Clack was Professor of Mathematics, Chihili Provincial College (Government Institute) from 1910 to 1913. He served as General Secretary, Y. M.C.A., Paotingfu, 1913 to 1924, and was the first president of the Chinese Amateur Athletic Union from 1919-1921. Mr. Clack was executive secretary of Central Chihili Famine Relief from 1920-21.

Mr. Clack's publications include "Political Geography for Chinese Students", Tungchow College Press, 1911; and "From Bamboo Glade and Lotus Pool" (Translations of Chinese Poetry), Emory University Press, 1934. He is a member of Phi Beta Kappa, Grinnell College.

Mr. Clack has been professor of mathematics at Alma College since 1924, and served as Registrar from 1928 to 1943.

### Play Written for Sesquicentennial of Home Missions

In honor of the sesquicentennial of the Home and National Missions, Rev. Robert Vaughn Woods has written "A Man Named Smith," which will be presented this summer by the combined forces of students, faculty and friends of Alma College. Professor Gregory, head of the drama department will direct the play.

It deals with a missionary who came to Michigan in the early half of the eighteen hundreds under the auspices of the Congregational Home Missions Society to convert the Indians. This story is that of one of the heroes of the protestant heritage in Michigan.

In the words of Rev. Woods "One hundred fifty years of Home and National Missions could never be encompassed in a single picture." The broad sweep and expense of this movement of the Presbyterian church, would require Kipling's ten league canvass with brushes of comets hair to adequately portray. Yet even as a photographer may not be able to make a photograph of a hundred acre field of corn, nor a hundred square miles of forest, he can produce a picture of a shock, or ear or even a grain of corn that will tell us much of the field; he can capture the veining of a maple leaf that may whisper of winds in a tree, or tell of the shimmering sunlight in the heart of an Autumn forest.

So, we would tell the simple story of "A Man Named Smith," in the hope that something of the swell and surge, the ebb and flow of a century and a half of Home Missions may be caught

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### Drama Club Initiates New Members

Ron Black, Drama Club president, presided at the initiation of new Drama Club members on Tuesday evening. After a ceremony conducted by Ron, Doug Gillespie and Ruth Morse, the following were presented with membership cards: Jan Armitage, Maurice Baldwin, Russ Durler, and Bev Ewing.

Stu Friesema, Grant Gallup, Mary Jane Hart, Ann Hoffman, Bob Kelley, Donna Kyes, Jean MacKellar, Jim Mills, Nancy Stockham, and Alice Welch.

A short business meeting followed with discussion of next semester's play selections and the play the synd of Michigan will present this spring.

### Department of Christian Education Sponsored at Alma by Dr. Armstrong

Dr. Harker informed The Almanian this week that Dr. Adam E. Armstrong of Three Rivers, Michigan, has graciously agreed to underwrite all expenses connected with the new professorship of Business Administration and Secretarial Science. This gift includes the salary of the professor and several thousands of dollars worth of new equipment and furnishings that will have to be purchased to begin this new phase of the College's program in the fall.

For many years Dr. Armstrong has been one of the staunchest friends the college has ever had. It was largely through his generosity that the Chapel was made possible. He is a firm believer in practical education based on the Christian philosophy of life. Among Michigan business men he is known as one of the outstanding champions of Christian ethics in the world of business and industry. In making this announcement to The Almanian, Dr. Harker said, "I am not only happy to announce this fine new contribution to the College's advancement, but I am even more delighted that the gift come from a Christian business man of Dr. Armstrong's caliber and sterling character. Not only have we found a sponsor for our new venture in business administration and secretarial training, but in this sponsor we have a Christian business man Alma young people can well afford to emulate."

The College has a number of applications for this new position. A careful screening of candidates is being made. In the near future an announcement of the professor's appointment will be forthcoming. However, the curriculum for the business and secretarial courses has already been worked out by the faculty.

Next fall the new professor will offer courses in elementary and advanced accounting, commercial law, business organization and practices, shorthand and typing. Once he is installed in his professorship at Alma, he will enrich the course offerings with such electives as he deems important.

This new work will in no way change Dr. Chipper's courses in economics. The work of the Professor of Business Administration and Secretarial Science will enrich and greatly enlarge our courses in business.

In the years immediately ahead the College plans to place great emphasis upon training high caliber secretaries for both the business world and the Christian Church. These two areas of life offer rich opportunities for girls with a college degree. In conjunction with the Department of Religion, special emphasis will be placed upon training Church secretaries and ministers' assistants.

### Young Dems and Reps Will Be on Campus Next Fall

It has been officially announced that there will be a Young Democrats and a Young Republicans club on the Alma College Campus come next fall. This was announced after a meeting of representatives from both the Democrats and Republicans with Dean Stielstra.

This movement has the endorsement of Dean Stielstra and the school as long as it is conducted in an objective and sincere manner. The organization of these clubs will undoubtedly take some time but it is hoped that before the election arises next fall the Young Democrats and Young Republicans will be fully organized.

In the conference which took place with Dean Stielstra on May 10, it was decided that if time allows that both groups might get started this spring before the vacation begins. The students attending this conference were Dale Lawson and George Lawrence, who represented the Republican party, while the Democrats were represented by Bill Franch and Gene Schnell.

The goals of both groups are to interest young men and women in the problems of their government, national, state and local. Another goal is to encourage young voters to take an active interest in politics and public affairs and to affiliate with and become members of one of these political parties. Next fall it is planned to have numerous discussions of issues between both groups and a debate as an assembly program before the November election.

These two groups are working for an excellent cause and deserve the sincere support of the faculty and student body in their work.

### Campus Day Program

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#### TUESDAY, MAY 20, 1952

Three One Act Plays — Little Theater — 7:30 P.M.  
Fraternity Open Houses — Delta Gamma Tau, Phi Phi Alpha, Zeta Sigma — 9:00 P.M. to 11:30 P.M.

#### WEDNESDAY, MAY 21, 1952

Art Exhibit — Arts Building — 9:00 A.M. to 9:00 P.M.  
Women's Softball Game — Practice Field — 10:00 A.M.  
Freshman-Sophomore Tug-O-War — West of Jungle — 12:00 noon to 1:00 P.M.  
College Band Concert — Corner Center, Philadelphia Streets — 1:15 P.M.  
Queen's Coronation, May Fete — Corner Center, Philadelphia Streets — 2:30 P.M.  
Baseball Game: Scots vs. U. of D. — Davis Field — 3:00 P.M.  
Delt's Spring Swing — Gymnasium — 9:00 P.M.



### The President's Chair



In this final issue of The Almanian for the current school year I want to express to the Faculty and student body my sincere appreciation for the fine co-operation I have had from everyone through my first full year at Alma. It has been a privilege to work with you. Administratively, it has been a hard year. Prevailing world conditions are making college administration a very difficult task, but the excellent co-operation everyone has given me this year has eased the worst pressure. This has not only been a hard year, but it has also been a very gratifying year. Working together, I feel we have formulated a program that is going to revolutionize the life of Alma College.

As you students scatter all over the country for your summer vacation, I am confident that you will be a host of good will ambassadors for your Alma Mater. No professional promoter—such as all of us who are employed by the College—can compare in effectiveness in selling Alma College with those of you who claim her as your Alma Mater. I am counting heavily upon you students for student recruiting throughout the summer. I also know that you will be the most effective salesmen for our improvement program.

I can definitely promise you that a better Alma College will be welcoming you back to the campus in the fall. A strengthened and enlarged faculty will be eagerly waiting to work with you. One new building will be well on its way to completion. Various improvements will be made throughout the summer in our existing plant. So have a great summer with your families. But hurry back in the fall anticipating another great year together on the campus of your Alma Mater. We will miss you throughout the summer and be looking forward to seeing you in the fall.

### Graduating Seniors . . . . . Class of 1952

Acton, Robert, Clawson	B. A. Degree	Sec. Prov. Certificate
Adams, Walter, Lansing	B. A. Degree	Elem. Prov. Certificate
Bleil, Janice, Grosse Pointe	B. A. Degree	Elem. Prov. Certificate
Boston, Robert, Marshall	B. A. Degree	Sec. Prov. Certificate
Burgess, Kenneth, Beaverton	B. A. Degree	Sec. Prov. Certificate
Case, Thomas, Palms	B. A. Degree	Elem. Prov. Certificate
Castile, William, Detroit	B. A. Degree	Elem. Prov. Certificate
Coe, John, Laingsburg	B. A. Degree	Sec. Prov. Certificate
Cole, James, Detroit	B. A. Degree	Elem. Prov. Certificate
Conway, Kenneth, Manistee	B. A. Degree	Elem. Prov. Certificate
Crandall, Jeanne, Chicago, Ill.	B. A. Degree	Sec. Prov. Certificate
Davison, Marion, Detroit	B. A. Degree	Sec. Prov. Certificate
Douglass, Esther, St. Clair	B. A. Degree	Sec. Prov. Certificate
Emens, Robert, Batavia, N. Y.	B. A. Degree	Sec. Prov. Certificate
Fay, Manly, Gagetown	B. M. E. Degree	Sec. Prov. Certificate
Freeman, Hugh, Dearborn	B. A. Degree	Sec. Prov. Certificate
Frisbie, Harold, Alma	B. A. Degree	Sec. Prov. Certificate
Gilbert, Thomas, Linden	B. A. Degree	Sec. Prov. Certificate
Hamilton, McDonald, Alma	B. A. Degree	Sec. Prov. Certificate
Harrison, John, Pontiac	B. A. Degree	Sec. Prov. Certificate
Healey, William, Lansing	B. S. Degree	Sec. Prov. Certificate
Hendry, William, Breckenridge	B. A. Degree	Sec. Prov. Certificate
Hewitt, Charles, Ardmore, Pa.	B. A. Degree	Elem. Prov. Certificate
Irvine, Phyllis, Detroit	B. A. Degree	Sec. Prov. Certificate
Jessop, Harry, Royal Oak	B. A. Degree	Sec. Prov. Certificate
Jewell, Robert, N. Muskegon	B. A. Degree	Sec. Prov. Certificate
Koepke, Edwin, Saginaw	B. A. Degree	Sec. Prov. Certificate
Kropp, David, Traverse City	B. S. Degree	Sec. Prov. Certificate
LaGrone, Melvin, Detroit	B. A. Degree	Sec. Prov. Certificate
Lee, Mary Ann, Oxford	B. M. E. Degree	Elem. Prov. Certificate
Ludwig, William, Drayton Plains	B. A. Degree	Elem. Prov. Certificate
MacDonald, Kenneth, Alpena	B. A. Degree	Elem. Prov. Certificate
MacMillan, Jean, Petoskey	B. A. Degree	Sec. Prov. Certificate
Maleolm, John, Alma	B. A. Degree	Elem. Prov. Certificate
Martinez, Dora, Detroit	B. A. Degree	Elem. Prov. Certificate
Martinez, Pedro, Detroit	B. S. Degree	Elem. Prov. Certificate
McDuffie, Ronald, Flint	B. A. Degree	Sec. Prov. Certificate
Meehan, Wilfred, Iron River	B. A. Degree	Sec. Prov. Certificate
Miller, Richard, Detroit	B. A. Degree	Sec. Prov. Certificate
Mohr, Robert, Charlotte	B. A. Degree	Sec. Prov. Certificate
Morrison, James, Alma	B. A. Degree	Sec. Prov. Certificate
Morrissey, Elizabeth, Ithaca, N. Y.	B. A. Degree	Elem. Prov. Certificate
Nisbet, Richard, Fremont	B. A. Degree	Elem. Prov. Certificate
Norris, Kenneth, Alma	B. A. Degree	Sec. Prov. Certificate
Northrup, Richard, Alma	B. A. Degree	Sec. Prov. Certificate
Nudds, Walter, Detroit	B. A. Degree	Sec. Prov. Certificate
Olin, Russell, Lansing	B. A. Degree	Sec. Prov. Certificate
Patterson, Wayne, Marion	B. A. Degree	Sec. Prov. Certificate
Phillips, Judy, Highland Park	P. A. Degree	Sec. Prov. Certificate
Poindexter, John, Breckenridge	B. S. Degree	Sec. Prov. Certificate
Portance, Michael, Detroit	B. A. Degree	Sec. Prov. Certificate
Potter, Lita, Detroit	B. A. Degree	Elem. Prov. Certificate
Pueschner, Robert, St. Louis	B. S. Degree	Elem. Prov. Certificate
Reusberg, Richard, Alma	B. S. Degree	Elem. Prov. Certificate
Rice, William, Grand Rapids	B. A. Degree	Elem. Prov. Certificate
Richards, Don, Port Hope	B. A. Degree	Elem. Prov. Certificate
Rogers, Rosemary, Graham, Detroit	B. M. E. Degree	Sec. Prov. Certificate
Ronlfs, Carole, Akron	B. M. E. Degree	Sec. Prov. Certificate
Rose, Ruth, Kalkaska	B. M. E. Degree	Elem. Prov. Certificate
Sadler, Ronald, Alma	B. S. Degree	Elem. Prov. Certificate
Schmeltzer, June, Alma	B. A. Degree	Elem. Prov. Certificate
Schmidt, Thomas, Pittsburgh, Pa.	B. A. Degree	Elem. Prov. Certificate
Shipley, Bruce, Harbor Beach	B. A. Degree	Elem. Prov. Certificate
Sonker, Helen, Riverdale	B. A. Degree	Sec. Prov. Certificate
Stevenson, Mary Anne, Ionia	B. A. Degree	Sec. Prov. Certificate
Sullivan, John, Alma	B. A. Degree	Sec. Prov. Certificate
Tabonda, Oscar, Pontiac	B. S. Degree	Sec. Prov. Certificate
Tacia, Donald, Alpena	B. A. Degree	Sec. Prov. Certificate
Todd, John, Carson City	B. S. Degree	Sec. Prov. Certificate
Turner, Arthur, Hemlock	B. S. Degree	Sec. Prov. Certificate
Tweedie, Marilyn, Ashley	B. A. Degree	Sec. Prov. Certificate
Vasiloff, Karl, Lansing	B. A. Degree	Sec. Prov. Certificate
Vaughn, Mendell, Battle Creek	B. A. Degree	Sec. Prov. Certificate
Vreeland, Janice, Grand Rapids	B. A. Degree	Sec. Prov. Certificate
Vrooman, Marjorie, Detroit	B. A. Degree	Sec. Prov. Certificate
Walker, Harold, Midland	B. S. Degree	Elem. Prov. Certificate
Watson, Virginia, Detroit	B. A. Degree	Sec. Prov. Certificate
Wever, Hessel, Fremont	B. A. Degree	Sec. Prov. Certificate
Whitehead, Alton, St. Louis	B. S. Degree	Sec. Prov. Certificate
Winston, David, Lansing	B. S. Degree	Sec. Prov. Certificate
Wurdock, Robert, Royal Oak	B. A. Degree	Sec. Prov. Certificate
Vyman, Charles, Fenton	B. A. Degree	Sec. Prov. Certificate
McFarland, Charlotte, Alma	B. A. Degree	Elem. Prov. Certificate
Young, William, Detroit	B. A. Degree	Sec. Prov. Certificate

After successful completion of summer work:  
 Irwin, Phyllis Cluechy, Lansing B. A. Degree Sec. Prov. Certificate  
 Martinez, Rene, Mexico City B. A. Degree Sec. Prov. Certificate  
 Wolcott, Robert, Lansing B. A. Degree Sec. Prov. Certificate

### Silent Sermon

I ask not wealth, but power to take  
 And use the things I have aright,  
 Not years, but wisdom that shall make  
 My life a profit and delight.

I ask not that for me the plan  
 Of good and ill be set aside;  
 But that the common lot of man  
 Be nobly borne, and glorified.

I know I may not always keep  
 My steps in the places green  
 and sweet,  
 Nor find the pathway of the deep  
 A path of safety for my feet;

But pray, that when the tempest's  
 breath  
 Shall fiercely sweep my way  
 about,

I make not shipwreck of my faith  
 In the unbottomed sea of doubt;

And that, though it be mine to  
 know  
 How hard the stoniest pillow  
 seems,  
 Good angels still may come and  
 go,

About the places of my dreams.  
 Phoebe Cary

In these troubled times when we can no longer look to the future with much hope that our dreams will become realities, it has become increasingly easier to say, "What's the use anyway." But it is more important now than ever before that we do not take this attitude. For now we need true seamen, who, like the person in the poem, when the tempest comes, will not make a shipwreck of their faith. The world needs you whose faith can bring strength and courage to the troubled hearts of the world. Christ told us, "If ye have faith as a grain of mustard seed, ye shall say unto this mountain, Remove hence to yonder place; and it shall remove; and nothing shall be impossible unto you." Here is the yardstick whereby we should measure our faith. Here is the goal to which we should set our aims, for even in striving for it we will gain the sight to navigate clearly through the storms.

Prayer: O God, help us to mold our faith into well built vessels, vessels which will be prepared to weather the most fierce storms and bring the shipwrecked souls back home to calm waters; Through Jesus Christ, our Lord, Amen.

### Blood Drive

The last time a blood bank was in the vicinity of Alma, a rigorous campaign solicited over one hundred Alma College students to donate blood. Just about the time that the transportation was provided the plan fell through because the kids weren't old enough to donate without their parents' signatures. It was a great disappointment to all concerned.

Again we are asked to donate, and this time, the proper applications are available for students to send home. On the bulletin board and in the office are cards that must be filled out if the student is under twenty-one for permission to give blood.

### ACA Elects Officers for 1952-1953

The A. C. A.'s semester's activities were terminated with the A. C. A. Retreat held May 3-4 at the Presbyterian Camp in Greenville. At the retreat next semester's orientation program and activities were planned. Of course, the retreat was not all work. Some went swimming, some played baseball, and then there were those who got caught up on their sleeping between the meetings.

Saturday night, after an inspiring talk by Dr. Miller we all gathered around the campfire, sang songs and ate "Smores".

Sunday morning we went swimming and then had a hillside church service led by Don Gordon. Mrs. Harker gave the sermon.

Following a delicious dinner we returned to Alma from a wonderful weekend.

We would like to congratulate the new A.C.A. officers:  
 President . . . . . Don Gordon  
 Vice-President . . . . . Paul Fincham  
 Secretary . . . . . Joyce Howarth  
 Treasurer . . . . . Larry Waggoner  
 Let's all get behind these officers and make it a successful year for the A.C.A.

Bill likes girls  
 Bill follows girls  
 Bill Wolfe

### President and Freshman Class Move on Toward Greater Goals

A full-fledged frosh this year along with the class of '55, was Dr. John Stanley Harker, the president of Alma College. It is with him we shared many of our first college experiences—in our home away from home.

At his home we could find friendship and advice, sympathy and understanding for our many problems in our first days at school. He was no doubt as confused as we were as he began to "learn the ropes" about being an executive at Alma College. He had some homesickness too, after being in his own church for so long. Undoubtedly he found this job a harder one, a longer and more far flung one, and a more important one. But so did we, as we reached a new level—college life—find that things were harder, longer and more important. They were and are more satisfying.

By his example, I'm sure, the frosh on campus have found in Dr. Harker, a symbol of what any Christian college stands for—especially Alma. It stands for the wonderful philosophy of life that one can only have by living it. And we learned that as Frosh from a freshman this year, Dr. J. Stanley Harker.

### Mrs. Kain Is a Living Memory To Alma Undergraduate Men

Since this is the frosh edition of the paper, we thought it was only proper that we take time to pay tribute to one of the finest individuals many of us have, or will ever, come in contact with. Those of us who have been living at Pioneer Hall have had the fortunate blessing of having as our house mother, Mrs. Grace Kain.

When we came to Alma College as frosh and a bunch of bewildered kids "Ma" Kain was there to give the guidance and confidence that we needed. She gave us ideas on decorating our rooms to make them more enjoyable and comfortable to live in. On numerous occasions many of us became sick and Ma was always willing to do what she could for us.

Certainly it mustn't be forgotten that during hazing many of us didn't quite know what the score was in regard to hazing. Ma always watched the proceedings and when the fellows began to get hurt and it was late, she'd tell us, "You'd better quit for the night and get your studying done."

It was for these things and many more that we say "Thanks a lot, Ma Kain."



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# Speech Awards Presented at Annual Banquet

On May 8, Wright Hall was the scene for the annual Alma College Speech Banquet. There were students represented from all of the different parts of the Speech Department; debate, drama, forensics, radio and speakers' bureau.

Acting as toastmaster was Janice Bleil. Marilyn Gordon gave two readings to the group.

Professor Henry Klomp awarded the Alpha Psi Omega certificates to those people in dramatics eligible for them. New members of this national drama fraternity are Ron Black, Janice Bleil, Bill Castile, Doug Gillesby, Ruth Morse, Judy Phillips, Shirley Sherman, John Sullivan and Art Turner.

Professor William Gregory presented the drama awards. Stuart Friesma for the Best Major Role (male), Allene Stolt for the Best Major Role (female), Bob Wurdock for the Best Character Role (male), Janice Bleil for the Best Character Role (female), and Ruth Morse for the technical work, were the decisions.

Professor A. Westley Rowland then gave out the forensic awards. First year awards were given to Don Darling, Bill Franch, Grant Gallup, Lois Howell, Walt Lovell and Ron Nicoson. Second year awards went to Dave Cornell, Don Gordon, Marcia Risser, Gene Schnelz, William Taylor and Larry Waggoner. Pledge buttons for the national speech fraternity, Tau Kappa Alpha, were presented to Lois Howell, Grant Gallup, Ron Nicoson, and Gene Schnelz. Pins which constitute full membership in the society were awarded to Marcia Risser, William Taylor and Larry Waggoner.

Following the awards for outstanding work in their respective fields, the main speaker was introduced. Mr. Kenneth Plaxton was on the first debate squad which Professor Rowland coached here at Alma College. He showed how forceful thinking can change the course of history.

## One Act Plays Presented

The play production class, taught by Professor Gregory, produced four one-act plays May 20. These plays were produced and directed by students.

**Red Carnation** was produced and directed by Jean MacKellar and Keith Nielsen. In the cast were Charles Hicks, Ann Hoffman and George Miller.

Bill Taylor and Don Vreeland directed **The Dear Departed**. The actors were Ron Baney, May Butrick, Alice Erb, Donelda Hamp, Don Vreeland and Dave Lockwood.

Elton Bamford Bill Franch, Ray Mayer, and Jim Mills were in **If Men Played Cards as Women Do**, produced and directed by Janet Armitage and Dave Hill.

Playing in **The Balcony Scene** from "Cyrano de Bergerac" were Allene Stolt, Ken Taylor, and Bob Wurdock. It was produced and directed by Nancy Leece and Douglas Gillesby.

## Band Announces Program for Campus Day Concert

The Band Clinic Concert on May 9 was a big success. Alma's Kiltie Band assisted the 350 high school band members in the program. H. S. Nutt was guest conductor. On May 14, the college band presented a program in Ashley, Michigan. The band and the A Capella Choir held their combined banquet on May 19 in the Wright Hall dining room. The band's final program will be held on Commencement Day, June 7.

The program for Campus Day Concert is as follows:

- Majesty of America . . . Bennett
- March from Tannhauser, Wagner
- American Overture . . . Darcy
- Trombonium . . . Withrow
- Intermission**
- Yorksonian March . . . Jewell
- Tap Roco . . . Skinner
- On the Mail . . . Goldman
- Badinage for Brassers . . . Watters
- Vanguard of Victory March . . .
- . . . Darcy
- Alma Mater . . . Hamilton

# Who Will Be the 'Queen of Scots' Which Senior Will Reign at the Campus Day?



One lass from this bonny group will reign as Queen of Scots at Alma College on Campus Day, May 21. The others will make up her honor court. Left to right, the girls are: Dolores Combs, Hesperia Lansing; Kathleen Shaw, Detroit; and Dolores Metcalf, Detroit.

## "Spring Swing" to Honor Queen Tonight

On May 21 from 8:30-11:30, the Delta Gamma Tau Fraternity will present the annual "Spring Swing" which will honor the Campus Day Queen. This is the first time a fraternity has sponsored the Campus Day Dance.

Previous to this year, it has been known as the "Queen's Ball" and was sponsored by the Student Council. There are hopes that this dance will be sponsored by the different Greek organizations each year.

The decorations will consist of a background of yellow and green with the beautiful bubbling fountain in the middle of the floor—the theme, "Spring". The dance is informal and will be held in the gymnasium. Music will be furnished by the Ken Norris Combo. Admission is \$1.00 per couple.

## WRIGHT HALL WHISPERS

Whispers around Wright Hall have been varied and not too numerous since last issue. The girls are all excited about their rooms for next year. Maybe you noticed the lineup outside the Dean's office last week, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. In case you wondered, that was when the seniors, juniors and sophomores—for next year—applied for rooms. Seems that singles are quite popular, so by the time the future sophs got there, they were all filled.

How early did you get up on Monday morning, the twelfth? Maybe if you were over in the dining hall early enough, you saw the beautiful job of decorating that some ambitious souls did in the lounge. Ribbons of paper around the lamps, a big loop over the dining hall door and general confusion graced the lounge.

Several of the gals got serenaded last week—accompanied with the traditional showers. We can always tell about some important event like going steady or being pinned by the mad confusion in the halls. Seems like they like to get 'em good and wet.

In case you haven't heard, the dorm open house was a success judging from the quantities of cake and punch consumed. Guess the judges were a little weary from their touring, as were some of the fellows. But rest stations in some of the girls' rooms rescued some of the less athletic fellows before they dropped. The winners, those whose rooms were judged best, received boxes of

candy. The lucky girls were Jean MacMillan and Ann Davison on second floor, Isabel Worth on fourth.

Right now we're beginning to wonder if all the stuff that's accumulated after a year's stay can be packed and taken home in just one load. Well, as we begin to fit stuff into boxes, we say good-bye till next year.

## Play Written

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and revealed in its crude and limited framework to illumine our hearts and make us stronger for the tasks that lie before us and our church on Tomorrow's Frontiers."

Included in the cast are Alma students George Miller, Stu Friesma, Doug Gillesby, Don Sywassink, Pedro Martinez, Nancy Leece, Monty Corum, Dora Martinez, Peggy Lomas, Allene Stolt and Grant Gallup.

## Library Budget Doubled for Year

Through the library keyhole I discovered some interesting statistics concerning Alma's book budget this past year. Since everyone's interested in PROGRESS around our campus, I thought I'd let you in on the latest dope.

The library budget has been doubled in two years, making possible an addition of 1236 volumes this last year. The average number in the preceding years was 630 a year. This is a major improvement in our facilities and a great boon to the incoming and present students. The major number have been added for department usage. The list covering April was recently mimeographed and is on the desk for all to use.

A new collection of children's books as the basis for the education course has been started. In time it will be enlarged. Plays increasing in the files should create heightened interest in the dramatics field.

The circulation of the books this year is the greatest in some time. Not since 1947-1948, when 10,520 books were circulated, has the number been so high. Last year it was at an all-time low in recent years with only 7,679 books in circulation.

In case you're interested in the results of the Sunday afternoon project, Miss McCurdy said that at first the average number of students using the library was around thirty. Now it's warmer weather, the students have dwindled to around fifteen. Must be the spring fever bug that's been biting so many of our students.

Some girls get orchids. All I get are forget-me-nots.

## What's Your Impression?

During my first overnight stay at Alma College, I was quite skeptical as to whether Pioneer Hall would prove to be a home away from home. However, I soon discovered that life in the Pioneer dormitory was similar to my life at home in many respects. One of the first lessons that I learned concerning study procedure was to keep the door locked. This is almost a necessary precaution if one really wants to concentrate and accomplish something.

Mrs. Kain, our housemother, plays an important and colorful role in life at Pioneer Hall. She is a most pleasant and understanding woman and gives us hints as to what we can do to brighten our rooms up, and she also advises us how to keep our rooms looking clean and presentable.

By the end of my first week's stay at Pioneer I had lost my skepticism about living and sleeping there for the next few years. I soon found out how to regulate my school day, allowing ample time for study and recreation. I find that most of the fellows at the Hall are truly a fine group of individuals, although they indulge in quite a bit of horse play and fooling around at times.

All in all, I believe that living in Pioneer Hall is truly a wonderful experience in group life. I should like to remain there during my freshman and sophomore years.

## Attendance at 92% Where Do You Stand?

The average attendance so far this semester is reported as 92 per cent. This is relatively high. Less than ten per cent of the students are cutting as much as 20% of their classes. A few, however, have cut alarmingly often.

Although the mid-semester grade distribution is quite a bit higher than the normal curve, it is very similar to that in other colleges. About one quarter of the student body has received mid-semester grades as low as two D's or one E. Three-fourths of those low grade reports were received by freshmen and sophomores.

There is a definite positive correlation between low grades and excessive absences. Whether this relationship be cause or effect can not be determined by a statistical analysis of this type. Further study of the ten per cent who cut 20% or more of their classes appears advisable.

"Who will be the Queen of Scots" is the question on the lips of Alma College students as they prepare for the celebration of Campus Day, the annual May Day for the students at Alma College. This year Campus Day will be held on Wednesday, May 21.

An honor court of four seniors and three Juniors has been chosen by student vote, and one of the seniors has been chosen Queen. Her identity will be kept secret until the coronation on Campus Day. The honor court includes: (Seniors) Janice Bleil, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Monrad of 233 Beaupre Road, Grosse Pointe Farms; Carole Rohlf, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Rohlf of Akron, Michigan; Ruth Rose, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Rose, of Kalkaska; Phyllis Irwin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Goodrich of 1149 W. Saginaw, East Lansing; (Juniors) Dolores Combs, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Byron Combs, Hesperia; Dolores Metcalfe, daughter of Mrs. Kenneth Brown of 19035 Shiawassee, Detroit; and Kathleen Shaw, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Shaw of 14433 Sussex, Detroit.

Since the turn of the century, Campus Day has been a traditional holiday, originally a "clean up" day, but gradually assuming a more festive air. Highlight of the campus holiday will be the coronation of the queen and a May Fete pageant.

## Girls Present Campus Day Pageant

As the Campus Day pageant begins, a daisy chain lines the path over which the Queen and her court pass. The daisy chain is held by thirty-two freshman girls, led by Barbara Hoeflin. The flower girls lead the court, followed by the crown bearer. Until a few minutes before the pageant begins, the identity of the Queen is unknown. She is the last girl on the court to appear.

The dances, which are original compositions, will have spring as their theme. "Rain" is represented by Barbara Bauer, Marilyn Gordon, Winona Griswold, Marge Jacobs, Barb Lawrence, Nancy Leece, Marion McDonough, and Jo Yoder. Representing "Gardening" are Rosemary Berger, Marilyn Harris, Jody Lilley, Sue McLaughlin, Jeannine Moran, Marjorie Pike, and Isabel Worth. "Flowers" bloom when Betty Houghtaling, Lois Howell, Donna Kyes, Sylvia Nelson, Greta Perry, and Shirley Sherman take the center of the stage.

The pageant is climaxed by the traditional English May-pole Dance, honoring the Goddess of Spring. Around the maypole will be Mary Jo Frye, Marianne Goerlings, Jo Greenley, Ernestine Hebert, Pat Patz, Kathleen Pereira, Alice Raleigh, Mary Ellen Splitstone, Sylvia Bills, Fran Booth, Alice Erb, Mary Jane Hart, Barb Hoeflin, Barb Humphries, Barbara Jones, and Edna LaFleur.

## News from The Campus Wives Corner

With Ruth McDonald as captain, Cherry Mulbar as pitcher, and their husbands as coaches, the team did as expected—three wins and three losses.

The latest bake sale was very successful. One of our bake sales this semester was to raise money for the W.S.S.F.

Our last meeting will be held May 22. Election of officers will take place and a party is planned for the girls who are leaving. The year will close with an annual banquet at the Park Hotel in St. Louis.

A day in natural science:—"Miss Jones," said the science professor, "would you care to tell the class what happens when a body is immersed in water?" "Sure!" said Miss Jones, "the telephone rings".



## This IS a Theory

Well—old Al, one day, while full of glee  
Sat down and wrote his theory—  
of relative-ity.  
Relatives, he says, have no dog-gone use  
And he'd like to put 'em all in a big fat noose.

They're funny things, and if you have money,  
They bow and scrape and call you "Honey".  
And since old Albert isn't so "farcy"  
They swarm about—like one great army.

"Say Unk, the Buick's a year old—  
Could you give me a couple of pieces of gold?"  
Or, "Just a few thousand would be fine—  
Say, you're as good as a private gold mine".

He'll try to hide—just stay in bed  
And they come running—like sharks unfed.  
No matter where he goes, or what he does  
The relatives still know just where he was.

He's tried pulling his hair, o rant or scream  
But they say "Just getting old—not really mean".  
So utterly useless is his plight,  
He'll just have to die—and let them fight.

But you see, I have his theory beat—  
For I'm not the one who has to treat.  
I'm one of those poor church mice,  
And say, do I ever treat my uncles nice.

## What Makes Water Damp?

To the uninitiated the word damp has always meant moist or wet, but through careful study of the dictionary it is shown that the meaning "dejected" has been lost through antiquity. However, can one really imagine a closer correlation of any two words?

Take for instance a stream that is peacefully flowing along with not a care in the world, nothing to do but bounce along with the rest of the ripples, the little droplets playing hide-and-go seek around pebbles when all of a sudden persplash! What should be lying right across the path but a huge log. After traveling along so peacefully, who wants to exert energy trying to jump over the darn thing or squeeze around or under it? Finally, that's over when a cow lumbers into the stream, and lifting her tail over her back, adds a little moisture to the already damp, or dejected in this case, stream. Suddenly someone shouts, "Watch out for the curve." But the warning is too late. Boing! About a half a mile later some 200 little drops are rubbing their eyes and drowsily wondering "wathappened". "Guess I should have yelled sooner", says a voice. "Better luck next time".

And what about the water in the bathtub? Through no fault of its own it is forced through a pipe, probably rusted, for someone who has been cleaning out sewers all day to jump into with a sigh of "Oh boy, a nice hot bath!"

Certainly most anyone would agree that these things shouldn't happen to a worm, so is it any wonder that people say that water is damp?

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Bill Arbury and Art Brown work on their paintings for the art exhibitor display today.

## Student Displays Are on Exhibit All Day Today

The annual art exhibit will again be featured on Campus Day, May 21, from 9:00 a. m. to 9:00 p. m. in rooms 1 and 2 and the hall of the Arts Building. The studio arts class, under the leadership of Mrs. Julia Roecker, will exhibit drawings and paintings in oils and water colors. Those whose works are on exhibit are: Bob Carney, Ron Clark, Carolyn Greco, Ed Koepke, Edna LaFleur, Jean MacKellar, Charles Nittis, Bill Arbury, Fred die Becker, Bill Castile, Bob Harrison, Helen Songer, Kathy Pereira, Leontine Wallace, Art Brown, and Bob Young.

An added attraction this year will be the work produced by the crafts class, which has made several pieces of jewelry of copper and silver. Students whose workmanship will be displayed are: Fred Becker, Bill Castile, Carolyn Greco, Ed Koepke, Charles Nittis, Peg Pielou, Bob Piper and Bob Young.

Along with the art exhibit in the arts building, the methods class in arithmetic will try to show by demonstration and a movie how children can be taught arithmetic by simple things in daily life. Lita Potter is the chairman, with Jane French, Maurice Baldwin, Bob Mohre, and Walt Adams aiding her.

Spence hungry  
Spence makes toast  
Spence Butters

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## Have You Met These Campus Sweethearts?

Spring is sprung, grass is riz and hearts are light . . . (I can't think of anything to rhyme with it.) Anyhow the spring of the year calls to mind the uniting of hearts. In this setting I would like to tell you about some people just like you and me.

First there's Ross and Beatrice. Ross was the new minister in a small town and Beatrice was a teacher who, with her girlfriend, came to the small town to find a job. When the girls heard about the new minister, they were anxious to meet him—and they did. Beatrice was the lucky one because Ross started dating her. However, not long after that they were separated, so the greater part of their courtship was carried on through correspondence. They did get married, which proves that the "mail does get through".

It never fails. A girl and boy go through school together from third grade through college, and what happens? They get married. Belle waited patiently for 15 years, and finally after they graduated from college, Westley popped the question. They were engaged almost a year. Their romance was certainly "aged in wood".

A soldier meets a girl at a dance and the arrow pierces both their hearts. Sometimes these friendship fade away, but Henry's and Esther's blossomed into a lifelong partnership eight months after they met. Henry was then sent overseas, but he came back safe and sound.

**Football Star Marries Queen.** This sounds like a dream, but it's one which came true. In this case, Joan was the Homecoming Queen at the college where John was a football star. They met at the beginning of the semester at a square dance. John was going to school with Joan's brother. He had heard about Joan and did not hesitate to date her. Cupid had them around his little finger, for two months later they were engaged and a month after that the wedding bells rang out.

When a boy and girl are truly in love, nothing can keep them apart. Whether it's 15 years or 3 months, Cupid never gives up. His next victim may be you.

P. S. If you are wondering what these people have to do with Alma College, look around, for they are right on our campus.

Answers: Dr. and Mrs. Miller.  
Prof. and Mrs. Rowland.  
Mr. and Mrs. Klomp.  
Mr. and Mrs. John Fields.

Dalt meet  
Dalt like  
Dalt Love

Lois giggle  
Lois laugh  
Lois Howell

## There Are Always Two Sides

Ever wondered what the kids on the other side of the line think about as you straggle or rush through the chow line every day? Ever think that some of it might not be very complimentary? Without mentioning names or places, here are some of the characters that you'd see from the other side.

First, and most frequent, there's the dear boy who not only misses his mother's cooking, but feels compelled to tell everyone every day about it. Doesn't seem to remember that other people sometimes don't enjoy the cooking either, or that the line isn't responsible for what it passed out.

There's always the big boy on campus who thinks he'll get some extra meat or dessert by flirting all the way down the line, and what a line he has.

Then there are all those wide awake, jolly people every morning that sail through without so much as a "hi" to anyone. They studied all night (studied) and aren't in any mood to be friendly.

Of course this wouldn't be complete without the joes who are just a little bit shy and grin feebly, or look at their trays as if they contained great mysteries (what is it we've got today) as they shuffle by.

Last, in this discourse, are the party fellows, who just think it's all a big joke and must play some kind of trick or push and shove and generally create confusion in the line.

But what would our dining hall be without all the crazy and amusing things that happen every day. Why it's like going to a side show. And what fun to work there.

## Are You One of These Characters?

At Alma, you know: The fellow who laughs, talks in Chapel. The girl who writes letters in lectures. The fellow who takes up half the table to eat in the dining hall. The guy who carves initials on the desk. Those who complain about the food. Profs and students who always have excuses. Couples who take "friendliness" on campus too far. The girl who is pinned to one fellow and going steady with another. The "joker" of the class who loves to make wisecracks. The one who takes down everything the Prof says. The one who always asks questions. The couple who spend their evenings at the library studying? The guys you just know are athletes. The guy who always butters up the profs. The fellow who knows how to? but seldom does it. The guy who is never prepared in class. The girl who can't refuse a date. The guy who waits until the last minute to ask for a date. Those who cheat on tests. Those who are noisy during quiet hours. The fellow who expects mail, but never writes a letter.

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# Golf Squad Finishes Season with 4-4 Record

The Alma College golf squad, coached by Professor Henry Howe, started off the 1952 golf season with three straight victories over Adrian, Central Michigan, and Ferris. Since then, however, they have not fared so well, losing to Hope, Albion, Kalamazoo, and Calvin, while the lone victory over this stretch was a repeat victory over Ferris.

Coach Howe had an inexperienced team to greet him at the start of the season. The only veterans returning from the 1951 squad were Ron Sadler, a senior from Alma, and Mo Arnold, a sophomore from Hazel Park.

The selecting of the members of the team was done by qualifying rounds, the low five men making the squad. Members of the 1951 golf squad are Frank Weller, a freshman from Flint; Doyle McIntosh, a freshman from Hazel Park; Bob Knoblauch, a sophomore from Grand Rapids; Arnold; and Jim Zickel, a freshman from Royal Oak.

The average team total thus far is 420 or an average of 84 per man. Individual averages are: Weller, 79 for eight meets, Sadler, 82 for eight meets, McIntosh, 84 for eight meets, Knoblauch, 88 for six meets, Arnold, 90 for five meets, and Zickel, 79 for two meets.

The season record to date, is four victories against four losses. This record is already an improvement over the record of last year's team; it won only three meets out of ten. With five of the first six members returning next year and with the prospect of a few red-hot freshman golfers, the future of golf at Alma College has a rather bright outlook.



Luckritz alerted for a play in last week's game.

# Share of MIAA Baseball Crown Comes to Scots

At least a share in the MIAA baseball title was earned by the Alma Scots Tuesday afternoon as the team finished its MIAA competition with four wins in six contests. A split in the double-header at Hillsdale Tuesday, Alma winning the first 9-1 but dropping the second 10-1, brought Albion, Hillsdale and Alma each with two losses.

Final outcome of the race will not be known until Saturday when Albion and Hillsdale meet and should these two teams split, then Alma will be champion; but should one of the pair score a sweep, then that team will remain in a first place tie with the Scots. Last year Alma won the title and hope for a split Saturday so they can repeat.

In the first game of Tuesday's meeting Mike Bramble was aided by some heavy hitting as Catcher Bob Naru continued his long distance slugging with two homers, while Rich Garrett and Bob Luchies also contributed four baggers to the attack. The second game was a different story, however, as the Scot hitting was silenced and Bob Bruce was given only one run during the game.

In a game last Thursday with Ferris, the Scots engaged in a slugging match which found the Big Rapids team finally ending up with a 10-7 win. In this contest too, Naru also clouted a long homer with a mate aboard in the first inning while John Coe also hit another four-master for Alma. Fred Baja connected for a homer in leading the Ferris attack of 12 hits against Jack Bennett and Bob Bruce who worked from the mound for Alma.

The split Tuesday at Albion gives the team a five won-four lost record for the season thus far.

# Intramural Softball

The intramural softball program for both men and women has been in full swing for the last three weeks. There has been a very good representation of teams from the fraternities and sororities. Everyone who has participated in these games has had his share of fun and thrills. The competition has been keen and many important games are yet to be played. The season is past the half way point and there are still the possibilities of upsets. Here are the present standings for men:

	W	L	Tie	Pct.
Phi Pheiffers	4	0		1.000
Zeta Chargers	4	0		1.000
Phi Panthers	2	1	1	.666
Zeta Supporters	2	1	1	.666
Delt Dodgers	2	2		.500
Delt Dynamics	1	3		.250
Delt AA	0	4		.000
Phi Zebras	0	4		.000

The leader in the everchanging women's standings at present is the Sig Phi sorority. The other contenders are:

Sigma Phi	5	1		.833
Kappa Iota	3	2		.600
Campus Wives	4	3		.571
Theta	2	4		.333
I.W.O.	1	5		.200

# Netmen Take Three Wins from Central, Ferris, Adrian

Coach Stielstra's netmen, competing in one of the closest net races the MIAA has seen in recent years, have come out on top with matches against Central Michigan, Ferris and Adrian. They dropped matches to Ferris, U. of D and Hope.

The squad consists of juniors, John Fields, Ronnie Bacon and Gordie MacDonald; sophomore, Bob Harrison, and senior, Bill Young. John Sawyer, Joe Ville-mure, Walt Hammond and Don Vreeland support the team as substitutes.

Last week our netmen lost a heartbreaking match against Hope by score of 4 to 3. High ranking Hope took two doubles matches after dropping three single matches to John Fields, Bill Young and Gordie MacDonald.

Last Tuesday the Scot netmen lost against the Calvin Dutchmen of Grand Rapids. At the present time Alma has won 3 and lost 5. This record does not sound very impressive, but Coach Stielstra's prospects for next year's team are terrific because of the improved showing of both new and old men on the squad. The loss of Bill Young, a senior, may be compensated by new talent.

# Sports Awards to Be Made

This year there are several awards to be given out. The winning touch-football, volleyball, basketball, softball, and bowling teams will be presented with cups. The winner of golf will receive a medal and a certificate of recognition.

The "big sports" award is the twelve by fourteen inch plaque which will be presented to the organization winning the greatest number of sports. This plaque will be passed on from winner to winner each year as an added incentive to the different campus organizations. Also a number of emblems, letters, pins, and blazers will be sported by the women this year.

# Letter to the Editor

Dear Sir: I noticed the enclosed article in the *Almanian* of May 2, 1952, stating that Trumbull Chevrolet of Detroit lost out in the National Championship at Louisville. Bob Bruce won the final game with no bases on balls, no earned runs and allowed six scattered hits.

The facts are this: Trumbull Chevrolet won the District Championship in six straight games, and the National in six straight games, a record un-equalled in amateur baseball.

I sent the three boys mentioned from the Trumbull Chevrolet Champs, namely, Bob Bruce, Jim Zickel and Elton Luckritz to Alma. These boys are champs all the way and should be recognized as such.

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Serial News Cartoon



# Almanian Suffers at Frosh Hands

When you look at a newspaper, do you ever wonder what goes into the makeup, who writes the stories and features, how they get the ideas for the pictures? Well, the freshmen found out how this last two weeks when they edited the paper.

At first it was a great big joke. "Me write" someone would say. "Why I don't know how to write" or, "I'm too busy". Someone would always have a dumb excuse. Or maybe they thought the staff was fooling. Result—almost unanimously—no news.

Then the staff got busy and began to work like fury. Divided up into sections, they began to hound everyone who had gotten an assignment, to get it in on time. On some it work, on some it didn't. But slowly the articles began to trickle in.

Maybe some of the students who were working in the library wondered what kind of animals were stampeding up and down the stairs, to and from, back and forth day after day. It was just our ambitious frosh, trying to get this edition out. Just about the time an article would get in, it would be old news, or a different time tense or need to be supplemented by added news. And down the stairs would trot the frosh, after news again. Klomp, clakety bang.

At last it seemed as if another issue was about to go to press. Then someone discovered that there have to be ads in a paper, to make it pay. The makeup was ripped up and the kids started over. Now it really looked nice. But wait, what about all those awful gaps in the pages. Ah, there's where fillers came in handily.

And with a little encouragement from the Record office, the headlines were assembled — plus one whole night (that's right, twelve hours spent counting the letters in words).

About now, it's time to say, "Take it or Leave it". From all the staff, who really had fun seeing their work in print, be seeing you next year—if we survive.

## Did you ever See A Foot Bawl?

I have always heard it said that a good speech has a good beginning and a good ending and these come close together as far as I am concerned. This also applies when writing a paper, so here goes—Once upon a time there lived in a happy village, Sally Centipede. One day Sally was invited to a birthday party for Junior and she needed a new pair of shoes badly. So her mother took her to the store to get the shoes. The man who waited on Sally and her mother brought out many different pairs of shoes, but found them to be either too big or too small for one of Sally's feet. Finally after trying on shoe after shoe after shoe Sally decided to give it up as a lost cause and began to cry. Did you ever see a foot bawl?

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Greetings from Alpha Theta. Sorry you didn't hear from us last edition but the choir trip kept us busy. Our tired choir members who trouped in at 1:30 p. m., Saturday were: Rosemary Berger, Mary Jo Frye, Peggy Gilliland, Jane Kersten, Mary Menoske, Rosemary Rogers, Peggy Smith, Allene Stolt and Alice Welsh.

Those April showers forecast seem to be quite real, at least to Betty Houghtaling and Alice Welsh. Reason: they were pinned. The lucky fellas are Bill Rice and Dean Remsberg, Phi Phi Fraternity. Congratulations! It couldn't happen to nicer people. Also wish to extend congrats to Carol Steven and Gordy MacDonald, who are going steady. Don't think Carol received traditional shower. How about it Carol? Just talked to Rosemary Rogers, she seems to be pretty happy and with good reason. Her hubby Marve just received his walking papers from Uncle Sam. Also wish to congratulate Allene Stolt on being chosen to play the part of "Roxana" in Rostand's "Cyrano de Bergerac" and also a part in Rev. Wood's "A Man Named Smith" to be given for the synod of Michigan.

Monday, May 5th, the annual initiation dinner was held at the Park Hotel in St. Louis.

The formal dinner and dance was held Saturday, May 10th, at the Daughtery hotel in Clare. From all reports everyone seems to have had a wonderful time.

At our last meeting we decided to adopt a new little girl, Rosita, for our Mexican project, as our former one seems to have moved. After adjourning the meeting we entertained our patronesses. Punch and cookies were served.

Events which are planned for the remainder of the year are the weekend and the breakfast honoring our Senior sisters.

They are: Rosemary Rogers Helen Songer and our president Phyllis Irwin. Will sure miss you. Good luck to the swellest gals we know.

I hope you've enjoyed this column. It's my final tribute to my freshmen days. You'll be hearing from us next semester. Till then so long from Alpha Theta.

## ZETA

We had our formal dance last Saturday night, the seventeenth, at the Hotel Daughtery in Clare. The dinner was what started us off to a fine evening. A thick juicy steak which seemingly melted in the mouth, as it proverbially goes, was first. As I reminisce, the taste seems to flow back. I'm afraid we were a little full as we waddled to the dance floor but a good share of us made it, I'm sure. The music was admirable and the floor generally crowded. The time passed much too quickly; for it seemed we just started when it was time to make the long trek homeward.

In the realm of athletics we seem to be doing a bit of excellent work with the Chargers being red hot with four wins and no losses. It looks like an undefeated season. Let's hope so. I wish our supporter team had the same excellence as the Chargers, but they seem to have lost the

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first one and tied the second. Then with a little practice under their belts, they came through and won two close games over the Delts, 8-12 and Phis, 9-10.

On the twentieth we'll choose our new officers. I mention this fact to let everyone know and not to cast any disparaging remarks on men in office now, for we have an excellent group of men.

In a side glance I remembered that a couple of our members will have to work a little harder from now on. It seems their wives have presented them with bouncing bundles of joy. Congratulations to Bob Kersten and Jim Cole.

I guess I should be going before I'm bounced out of here. I'll see you next semester.

## KAPPA KAPERS

The K. I.'s were given a big boost by winning the K. I.—Phi softball game and then were let one step down the ladder by the Theta win, 18 to 17. It seems the pitcher, "Mohammed" Perry, and the catcher, "Slugger" MacKellar, both decided to be heroes and catch a high fly at the same time. Results?—Mohammed was left on her knees praising Allah and seeing stars. After Mohammed was dragged off the field the game went on letting the Thetas get the needed amount of runs to win the game. Enuf said on softball.

Several K. I.'s have been spending their time drinking orange juice and being confined to quarters with contagious "goins" lately. Phyl Rose, Jean MacKellar, Carol Cummings, and Betty Burns were the lucky (?) ones. Just a remark here. Found—New way to make friends and influence people; also to kill off enemies. Blow germs during time of having Virus XXX in other people's keyholes.

The K. I.'s are really looking forward to the sorority weekend and formal dance. The plans are all made and everyone is due for a fine time. So until the next issue—Be seeing ya!

The K. I. Kid

## PHI PHEECHERS

Friday, May 16, marks an important date in American history, for it was then that the Phi's had their annual formal. The romantic bug must be in the air. We've got conclusive proof. There is a marked absence of frat pins around the house. It was getting so bad that disciplinary action had to be taken. Several gentlemen, namely Art Turner, Bill Rice and Dean Remsberg were lustily heaved into the showers for "pinning" their particular idea of what Venus might have looked like.

The Phi Luck-outs, I mean Pheiffers, have continued their unbeaten strength. However, things don't look so good. Too many fellows have been breaking training—that's bad.

The house should look mighty clean by now. The boys have been

chargin' around the house in hot pursuit of any dust—that's what happens when you postpone spring house cleaning.

Bill Bauer's positive truly, truly fair has been selected Campus Day Queen at Mt. Pleasant. How he did it, I'll never know.

That's all for now from the tranquil establishment on Philadelphia Street.

## SIG SEZ

I don't know why I always get all the breaks but here goes any way.

The Sigma Phis have been having a mad time. To start at the beginning of this long story — our formal dance. It was held at the Doherty Hotel in Clare and need I say we had a great time. The dinner was out of this world, and the fellows seemed to like the favors. We just hope they don't show up in Raleigh's. Everyone clowning around at the dance—but seriously, the dance was a great success.

Next on the list of activities was the formal initiation dinner held at the Park Hotel in St. Louis. Was really nice and now we are full-fledged members.

The ball games are fun but that seems to come second to Mt. Pleasant. Don't know why.

Seems that a number of the Sigma Phi's made quite a hit last week when they went to Mt. Pleasant in their formals, riding in two convertibles.

Now for some real gossip. Jo Greenly is re-engaged to Stew Grove. Now for the big surprise to all of us. Pat Emery has been married since February 27, to Dave Young. Congratulations to both.

Well, kids, this has been a struggle to stay awake, being that it's now about 3 a.m., but it's off to bed now.

Goodnite  
Be seeing you

## DELT DATA

Here it is time for exams and no one can seem to get into the spirit of things. I guess spring fever has hit all of us.

It seems spring has hit one of our members pretty hard too. Last week Bill Taylor lost his fraternity pin to Eleanor Patz. Oh, you lucky boy!

Last Saturday night thirty-five couples attended the Delt formal in the Hotel Bancroft in Saginaw. Steak dinners and dancing made up the evening's entertainment.

At long last the basement is finished!! After several months of arduous endeavors, our basement is now ready for inspection. Several weeks ago, we had the privilege of hearing Rev. Barney Roepcke. Barney was the first president of the Delts and he gave an insight into the early days of the fraternity.

Congratulations to the Queen of the Scots and her court. Tonight, the Delt Spring Swing will honor the Queen and her court. Everyone is cordially invited.

## How Does Cummings Go?

When given this topic I wished I could have died—It is worse—the subject I'm hankerin' for a certain hide.

Most of you know me We're both sorry to say. Most of the time I act quite crazy Don't get alarmed—it's just my way.

Once in a while I go get mad If down our group they run I wouldn't go and stay mad, If I could find a gun.

A question some would ask— Cuz it's them I aggravate Why do I go laughin' and gigglin' For soon it's me they hate.

With toys around I act like a child Then if you add a few boys, I go hogwild.

This poem is kinda short I really must agree But if I made it longer, Then bored you would be.

In answer to "Why Did I go K.I.?" One more thing I'd like to say It's cuz I love you all— And K.I. I'm gonna stay.

## Kan I?

Today, it is possible to get and put just about anything in cans, which are all shapes, sizes, and kinds. In fact, during the last couple of weeks, I was willing at certain times to kan a few things.

While typing early in the morning on a term paper, or studying for an exam, I could have kanned professors, papers, exams, authors of books, and just knowledge itself. But k-an-I me—no, not quite yet.

These little pleasantries were broken once in a while by a little ironing, housework, and paper work for another person; out of the goodness of my heart, of course. But K-an-I them? Yes, of course, and there were through and through. However K-an-I me? No not yet.

Then for sheer relaxation there was a little matter of a soft-ball game. Oh my achin' muscles! K-an-I it; oh, yes—to be sure. K-an-I me yet? No, not yet.

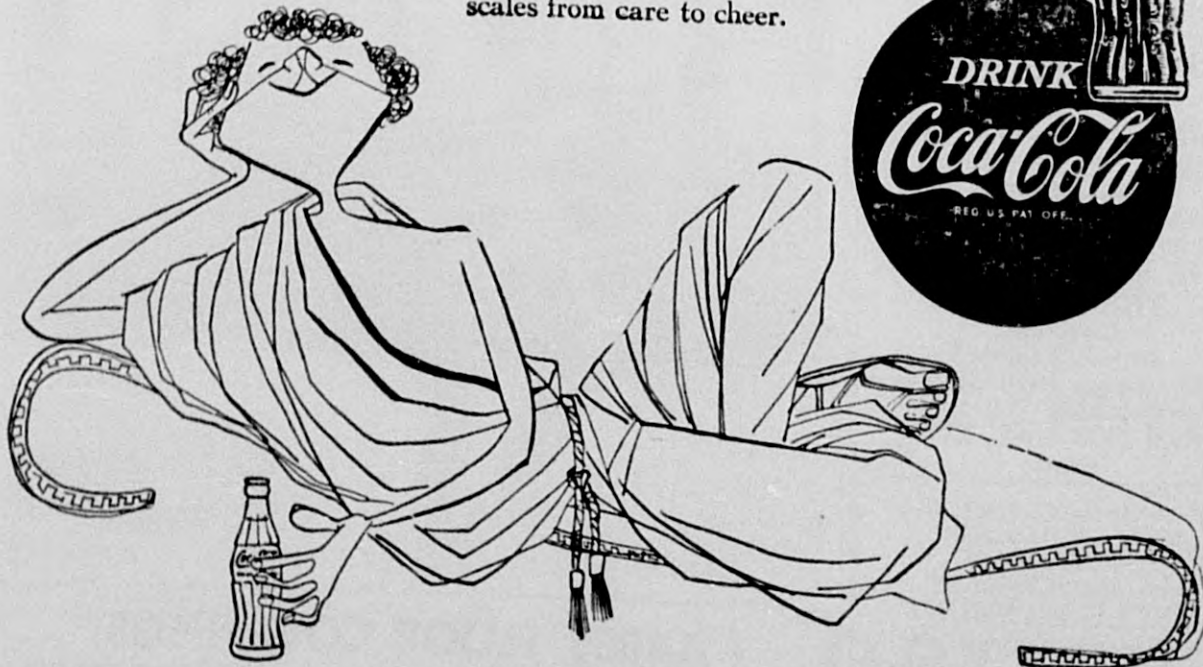
Of course I can't forget a little memorization that I was supposed to do just in order to test my memory, and of course to use once in a while. That was K-an-I. But not me yet.

But, now the moment has come for I can say K-an-I me. Yes, at last I am a K.I.

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