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# Plans Complete for Homecoming Festivities



These bonnie lassies, left to right are: Edna LaFleur, Allene Stolt, Betty Houghtaling, Sally March, Delores Combs.

## KILTS SHALL SWAY PIPES SHALL PLAY

One of the oldest traditions at Alma is our colorful kiltie band. In the usual Homecoming custom, the band will march in the morning parade and present a snappy new routine for half-time entertainment at the game. This year the highland fling will be performed at the game by two girls who deserve a lot of credit for their hard work, Sandy Smith and Marilyn Gordon. The band has also been working a new band cheer, so be listening for it at the game.

Among the traditions of the band are the long trips to away-games and guest appearances, and all the fun and good times that go with them. For instance, after playing at the Masonic Temple in Detroit last year, it was a thrill to be noticed, while waiting outside, not only as a band, but as a kiltie band, the Alma College Scots.

The piping has been performed the past two years by Alan Alexander and Jack Kinner, and this year the band will be lest by drum-majorette Janice Pappin.

Welcome, alumni! When the band

marches on the field today to the swish of kilts and the squeal of pipes, we hope that you will greet them with a familiar sense of pride.

# **Queen Betty Reigns the Week End**

Sanior Betty Houghtaling, Muskegon, member of Alpha Theta sorority, will reign over the 61st Homecoming festivivities on Saturday, October 18.

Members of the queen's court will include: Delores Combs, senior from Hesperia, member of Kappa Iota scrority; Allene Stolt, junior from Harbor Springs and member of Alpha Theta; Edna La-Fleur, sophomore from Detroit, and Sally March, freshman.

In past years it has been tradition to choose a freshman for Homecoming queen. This year it was decided that a senior girl should reign over Homecoming, and that a freshman would be chosen for Campus Day Queen.

# Parade, Game, Banquets, Dance

Homecoming is in the air at Alma College this week. Alumni from all over the country will begin invading the campus on Friday, October 17, and by Saturday noon the Alumni banquet should bring together many old friends.

First event of Homecoming will be a pep meeting at eight o'clock on Friday night. A giant bonfire will leap skyward as enthusiasm mounts in anticipation of the Homecoming game with Kalamazoo College.

At ten o'clock Saturday morning the Homecoming parade will move on its way to the tune of the marches played by the Alma College Kiltie band. Floats sponsored by campus organizations and the Homecoming queen's float which is sponsored and decorated by the freshmen class will make a gay display for the spectators who will line the streets of Alma.

"Hoot Mon, come on Scots" will be the cry at two o'clock as the Scots meet the Hornets of Kalamazoo. At half-time the Queen will be crowned with appropriate ceremony, and her court: Delores Combs, Allene Stolt, Edna LaFleur, and Sally March, will be introduced.

Sorority and fraternity banquets will bring alumni of those organizations together before the strains of Keith Barlow's orchestra hurry everyone to the Homecoming dance at nine o'clock in the Memorial gymnasium.

# JUDGES CHOSEN BY STUDENT COUNCIL

The student council has chosen judges for the Homecoming float and lawn decoration contest, the winners of which will be announced at half-time at the big Homecoming game. The panel of judges which will carefully consider this years' parade floats and fraternity lawn displays includes Mrs. John Stanley Harker, wife of the president of the college; Mrs. Esther Vreeland, dean of women; and the honorable Everett Thompson, mayor of the city of Alma.

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# The Good Old Days . .

The editor is presenting this week an editorial which was written fifty years ago in the ALMANIAN. We think it is interesting for its analysis of another kind of tradition than we usually prefer to eulogize.

#### Editorial

Although the talk given by William Jennings Bryan was in many respects edifying, there was one point which the popular orator emphasized with which we wish to take issue. In enumerating the advantages which the small college possesses over the large, he called the small college a democracy. Now, not only is Alma College not a democracy, but, furthermore, we are far too enlightened to be devoutly thankful that she is not. Time was when the promoters of this College with kindly invention but reprehensible judgment, proclaimed from pulpit and platform a democratic policy as the one in vogue here. But that has long since blown over, and now the rights of the few are justly recognized. We may not be old enough or big enough to have full-fledged fraternities or sororities; but what's the need anyway, since finally clique lines have become so thoroughly defined that they are recognized both by those included within their boundaries, and those who are not? At one time it might have occasioned some surprise that the social life during a vacation period of half a week should not only circle about, but be largely given over to one particular set of students. But "tne world do move," and we are in the procession. We can at least applaud to our hearts' content when the members of the set administer smiles, or look on in supercilious contempt at the efforts of the weaklings to amuse and entertain themselves.

So here's to US! Rah for Alma and her cliques! May they always thrive!

-From the March, 1902, Almanian

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# Old College Song

Students who know and love our college chant, "Alma Mater," by the late Roy W. Hamilton, will grow in appreciation of it when they read the following former school song and try to fit it to the tune of "The Soldier's Chorus," from the opera "Faust." The college was for many years without a singable anthem. Roy Hamilton gave one to us, along with his dearly sentimental "We'll Remember Alma."

Glory and love to our college dear,
Pride of her students so far and near,
Gladly we gather to give a cheer
And raise aloft our colors high—
Alma! Alma! Rah! and once again,
Alma! Alma Rah, is our glad refrain.

Alma, our praises to thee we sing Long may our voices in chorus ring! Loyal to thee we shall always stand, Tho' scattered afar in every land.

Many a memory dear recalls to mind The happy hours we spent together, The grove, the jungle haunts, the rhythm Of the plashing oar upon the Pine.

Soon we bid adieu to our college days
And dear old scenes we love so fondly.
But long will tarry in our hearts the glow
Of youth and ties that bind us evermore.

Glory and love to our college dear, Pride of her students so far and near.

#### **PROGRAM**

A complete program of the Homecoming activities follows:

#### Friday, October 17

8:00 p.m. Pep meeting, Davis Field.

### Saturday, October 18

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

10:00 Parade.

11:30 a.m. Alumni luncheon, Alma College Gymnasium.

2:00 p.m. Football game, Alma vs. Kalamazoo, Bahlke Field.

4:30 p.m. Coffee and doughnuts will be served on the lawn west of the Chapel immediately after the game. (In case of poor weather conditions, in the Union).

#### Fraternity and Sorority Alumni

#### Banquets

6:30 p.m. Delta Gamma Tau, Park Hotel.

6:00 p.m. Sigma Phi, First Presbyterian church.

6:30 p.m. Kappa Iota, I.O.O.F. Hall. 7:00 p.m. Zeta Sigma, Marl-View

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

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



# Welcome from the President

Homecoming is a day of great significance at Alma. All Fall we look forward to and plan for Homecoming. You cannot know how much it means to us to have you back on campus. I write that for the whole Alma campus family.

But I particularly want to extend to you the welcome of the present Alma faculty. Homecoming is not a matter of returning to see old buildings. It is primarily a matter of renewing old friendships amid familiar scenes.

One of the greatest weaknesses of the college is that so few of us of the faculty are known to you. We are a new and comparatively young group. In a sense that we who are new cannot, your former teachers bid you a most hearty and personal "Welcome home!" On the other hand, give those of us who are unknown to you an opportunity to come to know you this Homecoming day.

I also want to speak for the present student body. We have a grand host of young people on this campus. Our student body this fall numbers 485. Our Freshmen enrollment gain is better than 30%, and includes many of the ablest students, outstanding athletes, and all round young people to be graduated last spring. A great student body joins in saying "Welcome Home!"

You can be proud of your college. She is on the march. Together we are going to build a greater Alma College. So give me your hand. It is "all for one, and one for all."

### John Stanley Harker, President

P.S. Mrs. Harker wants me to add that the latch string is always out at the big old brick house back in the grove.

# Prof Profile . . .

# STATESMAN, TEACHER, ATHLETE, POET

by Jim Johnson

It would hardly be fitting to publish this Homecoming edition without mentioning one Dr. Robert Clack. But when one sits down to write about this person he is confused about just what should be said, for there are so many things of importance which simply should not be excluded.

Dr. Clack is the oldest member of the faculty, having served the school for over twenty-nine years. He came to us in 1924, at a time when Alma played Michigan State in football, when knickers were just going out of style, when no one smoked on the campus and women smoked not at all. The college enrollment was about two hundred, the faculty consisted of men like Hansford MacCurdy, Roy Hamilton, and Jimmy Mitchell, and the M.I.A.A. was made up of Michigan Normal, Hope, Adrian, and Olivet.

He graduated from Grinnell College in Iowa, where he received his A.B. and M.A. degrees. This was in 1907. He taught physics and ccached football at Grinnell for the next two years. Under the coaching of Dr. Clack, Grinnell College took the state championship in football in 1908.

In 1910 Dr. Clack received a position teaching in a government school at Poatingfu, China. There he founded a Y.M.C.A. and served as its general secretary for eleven years. There he also met and married his wife in 1911. In 1922 the civil war of China, historically known as the Dychun, was at its finish. The Manchurian and North China forces were looking for someone to draw up the proposals of peace; a Dane named Raasmusen and an American named Clack were finally chosen. Dr. Clack was the first president of the Chinese Amateur Athletic Association. In 1919 he coached a Chinese team which competed in

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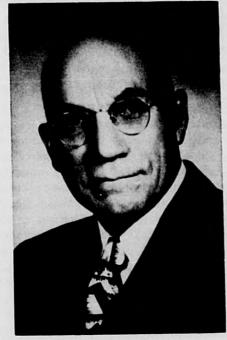
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Dr. Robert Clack

the Far Eastern Olympics held at Manila. His team won the decathlon, the pentathlon, tennis, volleyball, and basketball competitions in the meet.

He left China in the summer of 1923. Since then he has been here at Alma. His time has been spent in the translation of Chinese poetry and in writing poetry of his own. He has translated some 1000 poems into English, many of which have been published. Writing of his own includes not only original poetry but criticisms of poetry, writings concerning style and technique of literature, and historical works concerning the history of China and the second world war.

At its last commencement, Alma College showed some measure of its gratitude to Dr. Clack for his successful and creative contributions by awarding him an honorary Doctorate of Sciences.

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# WHO FEARS THE MIGHTY SOPH?

by Gene Pattison

Who fears the mighty Sophomore, now that Hazing of 1952 is but a memory?

These words are not intended as a challenge, for freshmen at Alma now know that they have been made a part of a great tradition, which includes nightly trips to the country, and various indignities intended to bring out the character in each of us.

One frosh tells of walking down a lonely country road one night, feeling in the darkess for something to guide his footsteps. Suddenly his hand touched something cold. It began to move, and his heart was chilled with fear. It uttered a fearful sound: "MOOOO!"——He added that his acquaintance with Bossy, the friendly cow, is one that he will never forget.

The frosh had his revenge, however. We are reminded of an unsuspecting soph, who came out of an enjoyable show and was promptly given a free ride to "no man's land." Then, by some mysterious power known only to him, he returned to the scene of the crime long before his generous "transporter."

Hazing had its climax in a Kangaroo Court Friday evening, October 10. The Frosh, viewing it with fear, had protected himself with leaves from last year's mail order catalogue, and soon he found that his fears were unfounded. Happily, he took his swats, walked from the court a free man, and was ready to step into the shoes of new froshhood, anticipating new adventures in college life.

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#### ZETA SIGMA

The present Zeta Sigma Fraternity was originally named Zeta Sigma Literary Society of Alma College. It has existed since 1887 and was officially organized in 1889 through the combined efforts of Prof. James E. Mitchell, J. T. Narthon, and Alfred Pratt. It was organized to fill in some of the gaps that were not touched by college work. Some of its original aims were the development of correct literary tastes, and the promotion of a good standard of scholarship among its members. However, it was not organized to develop literary men alone, but also to develop all-round men of character who would be able to perform every duty in life.

The early meetings of this organization were held in one of the college rooms; then in 1926 the Society was reorganized and there emerged a new type of organization which was a combination of the old-fashioned literary society and the college fraternity.

In 1922 the present fraternity house was purchased. This accomplishment was made possible by the generous gift of Mrs. John Dodge of Detroit, and the cooperation and work of the Alumni and members of the fraternity.

The rolls of Zeta Sigma boast the names of many well known men: Prof. James E. Mitchell; John W. Dunning; the late Secretary of the Navy, Col. Frank Knox; and honorary member, the late Senator Arthur Vandenberg. It is particularly proud of its many athletes.

The fraternity was forced to disband during the second world war, but with the return of the old members at the close of the war, Zeta Sigma reopened the frater-

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#### DELT DATA

"Realizing that the two existing fraternities could not pledge the large male enrellment of the freshman class in 1938-39, the faculty, under Dr. Dunning, appointed Coaches MacDonald and Howe to consult with the freshmen. A committee was selected, and with William Morrison as their head, nominated 35 men of the campus."

In 1938 Alma College was growing, and the two existing fraternities were too small. All men should have the right to fraternize and there was need for another society.

"By Christmas, 27 men had agreed to form the third fraternity, and immediately Barney Roepke and George Gilbert were elected to the presidency and vice-presidency. Committees were formed, including Constitution, Name, Finance, and Press.

There was comparatively little difficulty in choosing a title. The Name committee proposed three names for the fraternity: Delta Gamma Tau was the final choice.

The Constitution committee labored and the Scotsman of 1939 stated: "In February, a constitution was drawn up."

That is the story of how Delta Gamma Tau was born. That is the official report, at least. The spirit that made the organization grow and thrive through the 13 years could not be described.

In its first year Delta Gamma Tau conducted its regular meetings in the recreation room of Pioneer Hall. At the commencement of the next school year, however, arrangements were made to purchase a house at 603 West Center Street.

Because it was the only active fraternity during World War II, Delta Gamma Tau assumed much of the responsibility in all college functions. Today Delta Gamma Tau stands to the fore as an able and reliable body in campus activities.

#### PHI LIP

Phi Phi Alpha has taken an active part in the social and academic life on the Alma College campus for fifty-four years. Having its beginnings back in 1898 as a Literary Society whose aim was "the development of a correct literary taste and of the power of precise and ready expression," the organization acquired fraternity status in 1926. During World War II, the activities of the fraternity were suspended, but were promptly resumed in January of 1946, following the end of the war. Since their reorganization the Phis have continued with

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their full-scale activities, not only within their own group, but also by being represented in most of the other organizations and athletic teams on campus.

The fraternity has dwelt in three homes since its conception. After the Great Fire of 1932, the fraternity moved into the famous Wright House on State Street. It moved from there to 230 Superior street two years later. In 1939 the present home of the organization at 313 Philadelphia street was purchased. With the suspension of the fraternity during the war years, the house was occupied by the Dean of Women.

A last point of interest is the name of the fraternity itself. Phi Phi Alpha are the initial letters of a Greek phrase which translated freely means "affectionate brothers of learning."

#### KAPPA IOTA

Kappa Iota, the youngest sorority at Alma College, was founded by Dean Elizabeth M. Roberts in 1921. The charter members were a group of girls studying in connection with a special kindergarten training unit on campus. When this unit was abandoned in 1921, the girls entered the regular college of liberal arts and formed a sorority of their own. The purposes which they set up for Kappa Iota were: to inspire (continued on page five)

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LION AND THE HORSE

# GREEK GAB

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higher ideals, to promote interest in all forms of literature, and to further the social activities of Alma College.

The many girls who have gone out from Alma College as K. I.'s have done their utmost to uphold the traditions of Kappa Iota and Alma College. We of the active Kappa Iotas here on campus are happy to welcome all of our alumnae back to the 1952 Homecoming.

We hope that in future years our homecoming will remain as great a success, as fine a tradition, as it has in the past, and we all are looking forward to many more at Alma College.

#### ALPHA THETA

Alpha Theta Sorority is one of the oldest organizations on campus, having been founded in 1870 by Mrs. Elizabeth Hunting. The group was originally a literary society, but has since evolved into a social organization.

At the meetings of the literary society it was the usual practice to have some member of the group present a literary piece for the entertainment and discussion of the group. However, through the years this activity was gradually dropped and finally in 1949 the constitution was revised and the organization officially became a sorority.

As a social organization, Alpha Theta has always been most active in all phases of campus activities and has traditionally presented some of the most outstanding social events of every school year. We started this year with a bang when we joined forces with the Zetas to present the Free-for all. Approximately one hundredfifty persons attended this all-college function which featured dancing, refreshments, and a floor show. The event uppermost in our minds at present is, of course, Homecoming; the float looks pretty good and the plans for the alumni banquet sound terrific. Looking to the future, we see plans for a dance sometime in November and, of course, we couldn't get through the semester without having the apple-polishing tea in honor of the faculty. This will be sponsored jointly by Alpha Theta and Zeta Sigma.

The outstanding event of the Spring

semester will be the Tavern, which will be closely followed by rushing parties, Sorority week-end, and we will round out the year with the Senior farewell breakfast.

#### SIG SEZ

The history of Sigma Phi Sorority has been a long one. It is the oldest sorority on campus by organization and it is the newest one by name.

The Philomathean Literary Society was organized in 1891; meetings were held in Pioneer Hall. When the girls moved to Wright Hall in 1901, the records were lost and a new constitution had to be formed.

In 1943 the Philomathean and Pi Sigma Nu Sororities were united and the Sigma Philo sorority was born. Elizabeth Miller Mattison was the first president of the Sigma Philo.

The latest page of Sigma Philo history was written early in the fall of 1950, when the members decided that the name Sigma Phi was more appropriate according to the Greek letters used than the former name, Sigma Philo. At this time the constitution was revised.

One of the primary aims of the sorority has always been to create the "all around girl." The sorority has always been proud of its scholastic achievements and, at the same time, has maintained a place in the social activity of the campus.

During the year, Sigma Phi sponsors the "Amo Te," a sweetheart Valentine dance, and a dime dance. The Spring formal dinner-dance was held in Clare last year.

Sigma Phi always takes an active part in the realm of sports, especially in the volley ball and softball seasons.

The sorority is proud to say that loyalty to itself and loyalty to Alma College has been in the past years the aim of Sigma Phi, creating a spirit of friendliness wherever its members are present.

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# O Tempora! O Mores!

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### WRIGHT HALL RULES

- 1) "Study hours are fixed from 8 a. m. to 12 p.m., from 1:30 p.m. to 4:15 p.m., from 7 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Young women are expected to remain in their own rooms during these hours and must not engage in games of sports during study hours.
- 2) Young women are not allowed, except for unusual reasons to make or receive calls on the Sabbath day, or to walk in the streets for recreation.
- 3) Calls from young men may be received on the first and third Saturdays of each month and on holidays between four and six in the afternoon.
- 4) Permission to attend concerts, lectures, or other places of entertainment in company with gentlemen, must be obtained from the Lady Principal.
- 5) Young women are not expected to go to the railway station in the evening without the company of an authorized chaperon."

#### GENERAL CONDUCT

The shade of Cotton Mather will no doubt find joy in the following general rules for the conduct of students:

- "1) No student shall visit a billiard room or a saloon, or use intoxicating liquors, or use tobacco in any form in the college buildings, or on the college grounds, or on the public street. Students are not expected to be present at dancing or card parties, or to attend the theater.
- 2) In term time no student shall be absent from Alma without permission; such permission is to be obtained by the young women from the Lady Principal, by the young men from the President.
- 3) Young men and young women are not allowed to call at the rooms of the opposite sex except by special permission.
- 4) Students are not allowed to study in the halls, or to gather on the grounds and in the halls except at the time of changing classes.
- 5) Young men are required in all their associations with young women of the institution to respect the regulations of he Ladies' department. They are not allowed to accompany them to or from religious meetings, or to walk or drive with them at any time for recreation, without permission of the Lady Principal."

Perhaps fifty years from now the editors of the Almanian will be digging up our present-day rule books and chuckling at our naivete; perhaps they will laugh raucously at our issues of the Almanian. And perhaps it serves us right.

# - - When Alma Was Young - -



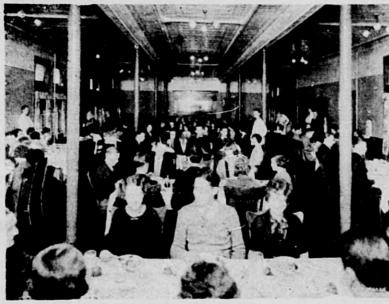
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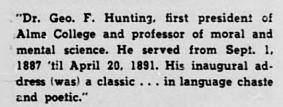
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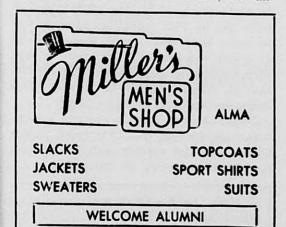
An Action Shot Taken Last Saturday at Albion

# Tripped Again . . . . .

by Walt Roman

The Alma Scots journeyed to Albion last Saturday to face a keyed-up Briton team that had been pointing toward the Alma game since absorbing that humiliating 40-0 drubbing last year. The Britons played heads-up football, capitalizing upon Alma's fumbles, and topped Alma 14-0 before a huge Albion Homecoming crowd.

Alma's offense was unable to function smoothly and the defense was unable to adequately stop the Albion offense during the first half. The only opportunity Alma had to score during the first half came when "Big John" Laskarides recovered an Albion fumble. Pat Shaw, who played an outstanding game, carried the ball on a reverse down to the Albion 38 yard line. With Alma in scoring position, the snap-back from center was fumbled, with Albion recovering. Meanwhile, Albion scored on passes from its smooth-working quarter-back Bob Frieberg to MacDonald, and an-



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other to Wikstrom, thus taking the half-time lead at 14-0.

During the third quarter, the Scots' defense held Albion scoreless, but Alma's offense could not begin to roll; thus both teams were held scoreless. Alma had difficulty all day with fumbles, thus impeding her offensive threat.

In the final period Alma's offenses perked up following Coach Eaton's substitutions, with Shaw running nicely down to the Albion 45. Then Stolz hit Naru with a pass to the Briton 16, which was nullified on the next play by a 15-yard holding penalty against Alma and an Albion pass interception. Alma again began to roll late in the last quarter with Bruce DePue, Larry Park, and Bob Spencer moving the ball. However, time ran out and the ball game was over with Alma on the short end of the score.

The Scots had trouble all during the game with the crashing defensive line of Albion rushing passer Denny Stolz. Stolz was unable to get many a pass off, and was tackled often behind the line of scrimmage. Alma definitely has much work to do before meeting Kalamazoo on Homecoming day. Incidentally, Kazoo trounced Adrian by the tremendous score of 58-0 last week end. The Scots are going to be up for the Kazoo tilt, and with their characteristic spirit will battle Kazoo down to the wire. Look for an improved Alma squad this Homecoming week end.

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Kalamazoo	1	0	
Hope	1	0	
Alma	0	1	
Hillsdale	0	1	
Adrian		1	

# Football "1901" Alma vs. Saginaw

While glancing through an old edition of the Almanian dated December, 1901, I noticed this write-up of a football game which Alma played against an All-Saginaw team. A comparison with present-day write-ups shows the obvious effect of evolution.

"Since the last issue of the Almanian our football team has played but one game. On October 26th, the team. manager, and coach—together with a few rooters—boarded the train for Saginaw to engage the All-Saginaws in a grid-iron contest. After the usual formalities of arranging the length of halves and tossing the coin for choice of goals, the game was called. The gods certainly seemed propitious, for Fuller won the toss for the first time this season.

About 3:00 P. M. Saginaw kicked off to Alma. The field was very heavy owing to sand. cinders, and decayed wood which lay upon the west end especially. Notwithstanding this hindrance, Alma by a succession of line bucks and short end runs, carried the ball straight down the field about 50 yards before they were held for downs."

Following a description of the remainder of the first half, the break between halves came. "The intermission between halves was of great length, owing to some difficulties in the money matters; finally the difference was adjusted and the second half began.

Saginaw was held for downs and Alma began her march for the goal. By this time the Saginaw players seemed to have become so familiar with our signals that they began to mass in front of the plays. This difficulty was met in part by giving our signals in a low tone so that only our men could hear them.

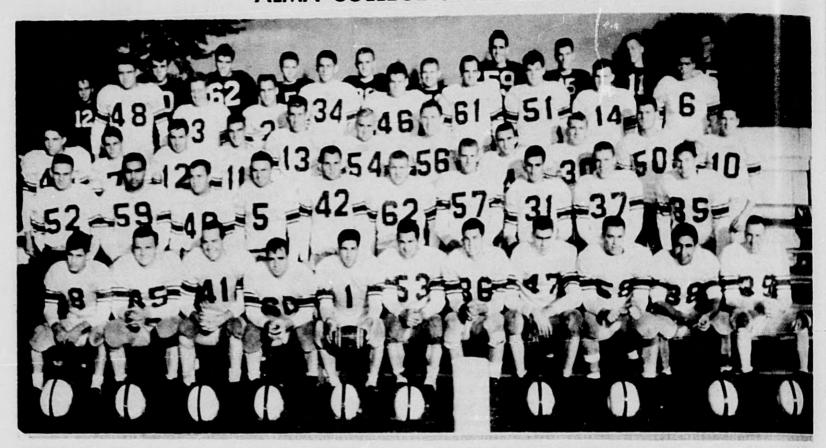
The majority of the Saginaw men played clean. hard football, but there were about three among their number who should have been ruled off the field during the first few minutes of play.

Just as the team was beginning to get into shape, and promised to win every remaining contest of the season, we were suddenly cut off by learning that our game with M.A.C. had been cancelled by the State College and that Albion likewise had refused us a return game."

It is fairly obvious that in the "good old days" Alma's sportswriters reported the game as they saw it. From this so called interpretation of a football game in 1901, you may decide for yourself whether or not the game has changed somewhat. Oh yes, Alma won that game 5-0.

**BEAT KAZOO!** 

## **ALMA COLLEGE SCOTS - 1952**



FRONT ROW—Stolz, Schramm, Bud Martin, Bacon, Garrett, Stafford, McIntosh, Beurman, Laskarides, Shaw, Pete Martin. 2ND ROW: Barton, Gedigian, DePue, Lawrence, Pierson, Wood, Fitzpatrick, Spencer Fraser, Morrow. 3RD ROW—Moore, Spain, King, Freer, Hansen, Dub Martin, Naru, Park, Kring, Palmer, Tiefenthal. 4TH ROW—White, Mitchell, Hamilton, Cantwell, Wasper, Acton, Carlton, Hahn Benjamin. DARK JERSIES—Godfrey, Heinrich, Eby, Beagle, Fox, Tolly, Jackson, Ruppell Anderson, Rudduck.

# "The Scot Story"

by Howard Wiley

Alma has been one of the proud members of the Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association, one of the oldest conferences in the nation, since 1902. We have competed in MIAA sports ever since, and have been regarded as one of the more successful schools athletically as well as scholastically. Alma's record in football in MIAA competition has been very impressive since 1902. Over this period Alma has piled up 102 victories as compared to only 54 losses and 17 ties. This impressive record brought Alma 12 championship teams, and we have shared the championship on 4 occasions.

Alma has turned out several individual stars who were selected for all-MIAA teams. Since 1930, in eleven of the nine-teen seasons (Alma had no football in 1943-44), Alma has had as many as 3 men selected each year. Most recent of those so

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honored were Bob Acton, defense, and Bob Naru, offense, both of them in the backfeld; Rich Garrett and Sam Stafford were given honorable mention. Bob Acton graduated in June and will be sorely missed.

The other three are back on the Alma squad this year and hope to guide Alma to another championship.

Coach Lloyd Eaton arrived on the "Scot" scene in 1949, and in the three seasons he has coached has had one championship team ('50) and shared the title last year. He has done a tremendous job of building Alma teams into championship contenders. Coach Eaton can confidently say that our future looks very bright, with the freshmen squad still undefeated and looking very strong. Many frosh will see action in the game against Kazoo.

Alma's record against Kalamazoo, its homecoming foe, is a good one. We have defeated Kalamazoo 21 times, losing 16 times; and four games were played to a drew. Kalamazoo. has a better record against Alma than any other MIAA football team. The Scots defeated the Kazoo squad last year by a 19-13 score. This year, after a rather slow start, Alma would like to make its Homecoming a success by defeating the Kalamazoo team.

# HARRIERS FALL TO ALBION

Alma's harriers came up against the all-powerful Albion Cross-country squad only to fall to the defending MIAA champions by the score of 40-15. The Alma team, usually led by Phil Smith, was hindered in its point total when Smith was forced to drop out because of a cramped muscle. Fred Immer finished first for Alma, with Elwood Stewart, Bill Bell, and Dick Beardsley finishing in that order.

Coach Charley Skinner predicts a much better showing in this next meet against Olivet, and the harriers will be gunning for the first victory of the season.

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