

Dutch Novelist Visits Alma Campus

Freshmen Guests of Drama Club

Initiate Spring Apprentices at First Fall Meet

The Drama Club met Thursday, September 23, with freshmen interested in drama as guests. Bud Davies, president of the club, welcomed the freshmen and explained the objectives and activities of the club. Freshmen interested in becoming apprentices filled out membership blanks and were asked to report for their first apprentice assignment Saturday afternoon.

Following the meeting, apprentices of last semester who have earned membership were initiated into the Club in a candlelight ceremony conducted by the president and Wayne Martens, vice president. Newly initiated members are Fred Wyngarden, Sue Stevens, Tom Scholl, Janet Anderson, Dick Knowles, Kay Soucie, Jackie LaDree, and Ray Mayer.

Chem Club Holds Annual Barn Dance

The chemistry department will hold its Annual Square Dance on Friday, October 8, at 8:00 p.m. in the Jerry Tyler Center. Dr. Potter and Mr. Skinner extend an invitation to all chemistry students to attend and bring along a date if they desire.

Mr. Fred Delavan and his wife, the former Grace Byran, both former Alma College students will do the calling. Mr. and Mrs. Delavan have called for various groups in the area. No one needs to be an expert to attend, for they give ample instructions as they go along. Admission is free, since the entertainment and light refreshments are all furnished with the compliments of Dr. Potter and Mr. Skinner.

Enrollment Reaches 535, Is Increase of 6%

With an enrollment of 535 students, as announced by Registrar Parrish last Monday, there is an increase of 6% in enrollment over last fall. Following is a breakdown of the enrollment figures:

	Men	Wom.	Vet.	Tot.
Seniors	41	21	5	62
Juniors	64	34	11	97
Sophomores	93	67	11	160
Freshmen	141	63	16	204
Total	338	185	43	523
Part Time	3	6	1	9
Post-Grad	1	1	2	0
Total	242	192	44	535

HOLD EVENING READING CLASS

Students who are interested in improving their reading speed and comprehension may enroll in a special evening Reading Class to be held Tuesday and Thursday evenings at 7:00 p.m. in Room 100 of the Administration building.

This class is intended for students who are interested in improving their reading techniques for doing college work. The class will be under the direction of Asst. Prof. Sam J. Underwood.

**Theta-Delt Sig
"Free For All"
Saturday Nite**



A group of over 35 students and faculty members attended the meeting with Mr. Adrian Van der Veen Sunday evening. Left to right: Dr. Florence Kirk; Dave Nicholas (seated on floor); Betty Anderson, Mr. Perm Mayer, president of Atlantic Union; Mr. Vander Veen; Dr. Henry Klomp; Tom Scholl, vice-president of Parnassians; and Robert Woods.

Forty Students Attend Reception

Over forty students attended the reception for college students held at the First Presbyterian Church of Alma, Sunday evening, September 26. Following refreshments served by the Mary Bahlke Circle of the church, Mr. James Morrison of Alma high school introduced church officers, including Mr. Stanley Nesen, clerk of session; Mr. Al Fortino, Westminster Fellowship Advisor; Mr. Leon Washburn, president of the board of trustees; and Rev. Bernard Didier, church pastor.

After the introductions, entertainment was provided by the Gratiot County Lumberjacks, a group organized to present lumberjack ballads and folk tales.

The college Westminster Fellowship group will commence its meetings at the First Presbyterian

church next Sunday, October 3, at 7:00 p.m.

Next Sunday, October 3, is World Wide Communion Day at First Presbyterian church. Dr. Harker will assist in the service. College students are especially welcome at this service. Previous to the morning worship service each Sunday, there is a Sunday school class taught by Mr. Ward Schults, high school principal. Coffee and doughnuts are served each Sunday at 9:00 a.m.

Announce Chapel Speakers

Chapel speakers for the next two weeks have been announced. Rep. Alvin Bentley, U. S. Congressman for Gratiot county, will speak on Oct. 4. On Oct. 8, Rev. Bernard Didier, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, will speak. Art Turner, director of admissions will speak on Oct. 11, and a group of students will lead the Oct. 15 chapel service.

Adriaan Van der Veen Addresses Parnassians and Atlantic Union

By Dave Nicholas

"I'm not a great believer in the importance of meeting writers—I think you should read their work," Adriaan Van der Veen, famed novelist and Dutch literary critic told the Parnassians and the Alma chapter of the Atlantic Union at a joint meeting of these organizations last Sunday evening.

Van der Veen's speech was entitled "The Authors I Have Met." The first author he spoke of was Hendrick Willem van Loon, popular historian of Dutch background. Van Loon made daily broadcasts to the Hollanders during the German occupation. When Van Loon had to attend to other matters, Van der Veen continued to make the broadcasts, throughout World War I. It was a great pleasure to him to find that the Hollanders listened and took courage from his broadcasts.

Calls Thomas Mann "Mellowed Humanist"

Referring to Thomas Mann, Van der Veen spoke of Mann's love for material things. An extremely typical aspect of Mann was his great contrast between the artist and the bourgeoisie. Van der Veen went on to say that "Mann is one who has an earnest disbelief in what art can do." Van der Veen spoke of Mann as a "Mellowed Humanist."

English Surprised by T. S. Eliot Interview

During his visit in England, Van der Veen had the opportunity of having an interview with T. S. Eliot. He said, "Eliot was so famous in England that people were surprised at my obtaining the interview. One of Eliot's qualities was to remain not so remote." Van der Veen's foremost impression was that of kindness and humbleness. He also said that Eliot's *The Cocktail Party* deals with the problem of guilt and how man handles this realistic problem under the impact of fluctuating civilization.

He next spoke of E. M. Forster. "The beginnings of the meeting with Forster were a bit difficult," Van der Veen explained. "I was late, and I asked a man who looked like a carpenter where I could find E. M. Forster. The man stretched out his hand and said, 'I am Forster.'" He continued, stating that Forster had done a great deal for the young people of this country and Europe. He also said that "a warmth of the heart and a love for fellow beings are the requirements of a good writer." Forster stated to Van der Veen that "it is a pity that man cannot be at the same time impressive and true."

Having attended the Iowa-Michigan game Saturday, September 25, he was quick to make the comparison of the grandeur and the color of football as it reflects the See VAN DER VEEN page 5

SEEK POETRY FOR ANTHOLOGY

College students are invited to submit original verse in the twelfth annual college competition for publication in the Annual Anthology of College Poetry, sponsored by the National Poetry Association. Manuscripts must be typed or written in ink on one side of the sheet. The student's home address, name of college and college address must appear on each manuscript.

Students may submit as many manuscripts as desired. Theme and form may be in accordance with the wish of the student contributor. In order to give as many students as possible an opportunity for recognition and because of space limitations, shorter efforts are preferred.

Closing date for submission of manuscripts is Nov 5. Interested students should see Dr. Klomp.

The next issue of the almanian will be the Homecoming edition, Friday, October 15. All copy should be turned in by Monday, October 11, at 4:00 p.m. to receive fullest consideration.

Frosh Elect J. Hempstead President

Brunelle, Harker, Bierley Assist

Jim Hempstead, Saginaw freshman, was elected to head the freshman class in an election following chapel Monday. Elected to assist him are Gaylord Brunelle, vice-president; Dorothy Harker, secretary-treasurer; and Bob Bierley, student council.

Hempstead is a 1954 graduate of Arthur Hill High School in Saginaw. He plans to major in English and minor in religious education. He remarked that the friendliness and religious atmosphere at Alma are very encouraging to freshmen. Jim's father is credit manager of First Savings and Loan Company, Saginaw.

Gaylord Brunelle, 7215 Winona street, Allen Park, was elected vice-president. Gay is a member of the 1954 Alma Scot football team; he is majoring in psychology and minoring in religious education.

Miss Dorothy Harker is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. John S. Harker. Miss Harker was valedictorian of the Alma High School class of 1954. She is presently employed at Lueth's Jewelry in Alma. She is planning to major in mathematics and minor in English.

Bob Bierley was elected student council representative of the class. He comes from Walled Lake High School, and is interested in engineering. While in high school Bob was president of the National Honor Society.

The elections were held under the direction of Bob Kenrick, president of the student council.



Shown above are the officers of the class of 1958. Left to right: Gaylord Brunelle, vice-president; Bob Bierley, student council president; Dorothy Harker, secretary-treasurer; Jim Hempstead, president.

Virgil Fox Plays

NOTICE:

Virgil Fox, virtuoso organist of the Riverside Church of New York, will give a recital at the First Congregational Church at Saginaw on Thursday, October 7.

If you are interested in attending, please contact Professor Sullivan at the Music Department Office.

Seniors who wish to use the College Placement Service should register as soon as possible at the Placement Office, Room 301, Administration Building. The service is available without charge to all seniors, but those wishing teacher placement and those desiring general placement.

More things are wrought by prayer than this world dreams of.

Open Saginaw Symphony Series

When leaves begin to fall and frost covers the ground, we welcome not only the autumn, but also a new musical season. The Series has announced another series. They offer a variety of performances with opportunity for all students to enjoy artists at work.

The series is as follows:
Nov. 9, Cleveland Symphony
Nov. 15, Ballet Russe de Monte Carlo
Jan. 7, Leon Fleisher, pianist
Feb. 18, William Primrose, violinist.

April 26, Rochester Symphony; Eric Leinsdorf, conductor; Eileen Farrell, soloist.

The student rate for the five concerts is three dollars. Transportation is extra, the amount depending upon the number of students desiring transportation.

All students interested may leave their names at the Music office in Clizbe house so that membership cards may be sent for.

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Let's Revive Campus Forum

Where ideas exist, can scarcely be a vacuum. We see this almost daily when a group of students gather at a table in Tyler; or when a group gathers—generally just by accident, for a dorm or frat house "bull session."

We have heard the complaint on the part of some in our thinking student body that "the trouble with this school is that there are no true intellectuals here." And we offer this answer:

For the literary-minded, there are literary groups such as Parnassians, Le Cercle for French students and Die Gesellschaft for the "Deutschers." However, there is no general campus group for the exchange of ideas on all fronts.

Such a plan was tried, we understand, last year. The "Campus Forum" as it was called, gradually dissolved because of a certain group on campus which generated more heat than light. We suggest the revival of the "Campus Forum", a place where interested students and faculty members from several departments may gather to exchange ideas on science, philosophy, et alia.

Alma does not lack thinkers. What it may lack is a channel for them to express their ideas. Such a channel as "The Campus Forum" might provide a direction of ideas toward constructive ends.

In order to furnish the Alma student with a view of what goes on at other colleges throughout America, the almanian will, from time to time, publish news releases from Intercollegiate News Service (ICP). Plans are also in progress for a Michigan Intercollegiate Press Association to furnish news about student activities and opinions on the various campuses in Michigan.

We of the staff welcome your suggestions concerning this group of news items.

Advance Social Calendar

OCTOBER

- 1 Junior class hayride 7:30 p.m., Friday
- 2 Bluffton, there 7:30 p.m., Friday
- Alpha Theta—Delt Sig "Free for All" 8:30 p.m., Saturday
- 4 Chapel, Alvin Bentley 11:00 a.m., Monday
- Cooperative Council 8:30 p.m., Monday
- Interfraternity Council 9:00 p.m. Monday
- 5 Student Council 6:30 p.m., Tuesday
- Die Lustige Gesellschaft 6:30 p.m., Tuesday
- Spanish Club Tuesday
- 6 Vets Club 6:15 p.m. Wednesday
- WAA Meeting Wednesday
- 7 Drama Club Thursday
- 8 Chapel, Rev. Bernard Didier 11:00 a.m., Friday
- Chem Club Barn Dance 8:00 p.m., Friday
- 9 Hope, there Saturday
- Delt Open House Saturday
- 10 Wright Hall Reception for Head Residents 3:00-5:00 p.m., Sunday
- FRATERNITY PLEDGE WEEK OCTOBER 11-16
- 11 Chapel, Art Turner 11:00 a.m., Monday
- 12 Student Council 6:30 p.m., Tuesday
- Home Ec Club 7:00 p.m., Tuesday
- Le Cercle Francais 7:00 p.m., Tuesday
- 13 Trustees Meeting Wednesday
- Vets Club Meeting 6:15 p.m., Wednesday
- ACA Meeting 7:00 p.m., Wednesday
- 14 Reception for Mrs. Mildred Hall 7:30-9:00 p.m., Thursday
- 15 Student Chapel 11:00 a.m., Friday
- Pep Rally and Variety Show Friday

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Junior class is sponsoring a hayride, which will leave from Wright Hall this evening at 7:30. Price is 25c per couple.

Le Cercle Francais held its first meeting Tuesday evening, September 28. Die Lustige Gesellschaft is scheduled to hold its first meeting Tuesday evening, October 5, at 6:30 p. m. in the Women's Lounge of Tyler.

The Spanish Club is organizing Tuesday in the basement of the chapel at 7:00 p. m. All students who speak Spanish are invited to

attend the organizational meeting. Dr. Grace Nichols is the faculty sponsor of the Spanish Club.

"Parade of Progress" Is Theme Chosen For Homecoming

"Parade of Progress" has been selected as the theme for the 1954 Homecoming, it was announced at a meeting of the student council, Tuesday night, September 28. Watch the almanian for further details.

THETA-DELTA SIG "FREE FOR ALL" IS SATURDAY

Plans are already underway for the Alpha Theta-Delt Sig "Free for All" to be held tomorrow, October 2, at Tyler Auditorium from 8:00 to 11:30 p. m. Advertisement will be taken care of by Barbara Wisniewski and Carolyn Crane.

Edna Williams heads the entertainment committee, which also includes Shirley Morgan, Carolyn Taylor and Maclean McRobert. Stevens will handle the refreshments, assisted by Pat Smith and Joan Buss.

Betty Anderson is chairman of the decorations committee. She will be assisted by Jackie McAllister, Jane Moore, Elmeda Beyer, and Peggy Toney. Ruth Gilmore and Elmeda Beyer will supply the records for dancing.

Homecoming will be a big Theta event as usual. The planning and building of the Homecoming float will be under the supervision of Marilyn Mott and Carolyn Taylor, co-chairmen. Invitations are being sent out to the Theta alumnae to join us at the Homecoming Banquet, which will be at the Episcopal church.

Alpha Theta officers this semester are Fran Booth, president; Betty Anderson, vice-president; Julie Kehoe, recording secretary; Una Edwards, corresponding secretary and Shirley Morgan, treasurer.

We're glad to have Barbara (Jones) Durler back with us after a semester spent in Colorado with her husband Russel, who was serving Uncle Sam.

See you all at the "Free for All" this Saturday night.

LOU RUNKLE IN FRANCE; SIG ALUMS IN TOWN

SIGMA PHIS were sorry to hear that over the summer two of our members were sick, but we are glad to have them back with us.

One of the members, Lou Runkle, has gone to France for 18 months since her father has taken a new position there. We wish her the best of luck and hope to see her back again.

Officers for this year are Tricia Hewitt, president; Connie Koch, vice-president and social chairman; Polly McCulloch, treasurer; Jan Zeilinger, corresponding secretary; Jan Rench, recording secretary; and Marge Fuller, sentinel.

Sig Phis also look forward to Homecoming, when many of our old friends will return.

Several of our alumnae have taken up residence in Alma. Kay Shaw Phillips, and her husband, Doug, are living in the huts. Kay

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is teaching at Wright Avenue School while Doug has resumed his studies at Alma after serving in our Armed Forces.

Rick Erickson Sloan is now teaching in St. Louis and is living there. Bob is continuing his schooling.

Mary Alice Cook is now living in Ashley and is teaching English, speech and coaching girls' basketball at Ashley High School.

FIFTY-TWO PHIS RETURN; ORGANIZE COMMITTEES

Fifty-two members of PHI PHI ALPHA returned for another year of school. We welcome back Ed Kinkema who returns after a year at Wayne. Many improvements are planned in the house and will be done by Homecoming under the direction of president Denny Stolz and house manager Bill McIntosh.

In touch football, Phis contend for championship again under the leadership of Howard Wiley, athletic chairman. Tom Dodd and Bill Luger are co-chairmen of the Homecoming committee.

The brothers also spent a busy summer. A large group met in Detroit on August 7 to see the Tigers beat the Yankees. The Phis again had their booth at the Michigan State Fair.

Congratulations are in order for the married couples—Lynn Crawford and Beverle Laird, "Mo" Arnold and Esther Gilmore, John Salow and Dorothy Hawley, and Gordon Macdonald and Carol Stevens. Newly engaged are Bob Hoag to Shirley Ruthig and Don Howarth to Rene Condon.

The Phis extend a cordial welcome to all independent men on campus. Visit us at 313 Philadelphia anytime!

KIS COMPLETE OFFICERS; PLAN FOR HOMECOMING

KAPPA IOTAS are ready to undertake another big, busy year. At our first formal meeting we completed the list of officers with Ruth Anderson as a representative to the judicial council. Marge Lyda was elected social chairman, and Betty Burns was elected to student council.

Our second meeting was a picnic at Lumberack Park, where we discussed Homecoming plans. It was decided that our first event for this semester will be a tea for the Patronesses, to be held this Sunday in the sorority room.

Congratulations to the following girls: Sally Souders, who recently became engaged to Lee Posey; and Jeanne Lyons and Dorothea Houston, who were recently pinned by Stuart Young and Carson Hollingsworth, respectively.

DELTS AHEAD WITH HOUSE IMPROVEMENTS

The new school year found us at Delta Gamma Tau remembering the highlights of the past years and looking forward to even greater strides in the near future. Typical of the spirit of the house are several marked improvements. For example, George Spriggs and Howard Riley, who are rooming together this year, built a large desk with a commodious shelf just above to house their library. Similarly, Carson Hollingsworth and Bob Rudesill; and Dave Stockham and Bud Miller improved their rooms with new desks and shelves. Further along the line of improvements, the Delt House is to be painted soon, with hopes that it may be completed by Homecoming. In addition to this the second floor is to be tiled to match the first floor tile.

In the love light there have been three "pinnings" this year: Stuart Young to Jean Lyons, (the Delts serenaded her after the frat meeting, Monday, September 27th.) Carson Hollingsworth pinned Dorothea Houston, and further in the romantic sphere Don Jackson has claimed Janet Potter with the surrender of his fraternity pin.

We of Delta Gamma Tau should like to extend our welcome to all independent men that you feel free to enter the fellowship of the house.

DELT SIGS CONGRATULATE JOYCE AND MINSHALL

The DELTA SIGMA PHIS would like to extend congratulations to Judson Joyce and Lynn Stoner, and to Tom Minshall and Pat Cameron on their recent engagements. Bells will probably ring out soon after graduation.

The Delt Sigs would also like to extend congratulations to the football team on their last two victories. Well done, fellas, and keep it up.

The Alpha Theta-Delt Sig "Free for All" is Saturday night and remember, everyone is welcome. Come and have a good time. Refreshments will be served and, remembering past years, this dance promise: to be a good one.

We would like to extend a welcome to all men on campus and an invitation to visit our house at anytime. We have a new TV set this year. The brothers pitched in when school opened and the place is in ship shape.

SUMMER WEDDINGS

Barbara Bernard Bauer, '54 was married to George Mills Wallace in the Episcopal church in Frankfort, on June 12. The couple will make their home in Detroit.

Gordon Macdonald and Carol Stevens, both '54, were married in Detroit on August 7. The Macdonalds are living in East Lansing where Gordon is currently attending Michigan State College.

On August 14, Sylvia Nelson and John Kozehara, both '54, were married in Travers City. Joyce Howarth and Bill Voska were also married on August 14, in Northville.

August 21 weddings included those of Mary Jo Frye to Harold C. Johnson; Cleo Johnson to Frank Williams; and Robert H. Kelley to Margaret Lomas.

On August 22, Hugh P. Davies and Alice Welsh were married in the Congregational church in Armada. The Davies' make their home on Grant street in Alma.

Verlaine Mathews and Jack Hope were married on August 28, as were John Salow and Dorothy May Hawley. The Salows are living in the Huts while John completes his schooling here.

John Ward was married to Gal Hooper in the First Presbyterian Church of Alma. John, formerly a music major at Alma, is now studying at Central Michigan College.

REVISE FROSH ENGLISH LECTURE

Because of considerable difficulty in scheduling freshman classes, the Thursday lectures in English 11-12 have been abandoned. Instead, the Thursday class session will be scheduled at the same time as other class meetings, the time so gained being used for conferences with students.

To replace the Thursday lectures, the majority of student themes will be written outside of class, and class sessions will be used for discussion of themes.



PAYS TRIBUTE TO KENRICK

Dear Editor:

I'm writing this letter to commemorate the fine work of one of our Alma College students. In the past there have been other articles honoring, or for a better word, acknowledging our appreciation for such contributions toward the betterment of our school. The difference of this letter from those of the past is that it has always been one of the faculty, trustees, or men not directly acquainted with our college, that have been so honored.

The student of whom I speak has contributed greatly to his own class of 1955 as well as to the school as a whole. As a sophomore he was treasurer of the Student Council. In his junior year he was vice-president of the Student Council, and this year he is president of that group.

These tasks alone would be sufficient to rate him as the outstanding member in his class and even in the school. To add to these accomplishments he has been a member of the Inter-Fraternity Council since his sophomore year. He has been active in the planning of school activities and in bringing the students and faculty closer together, as a

member of the Cooperative Council since his sophomore year. Our school paper has felt his undying efforts towards making this school something to be proud of, for he was circulation manager of the almanian last year and is business manager this year.

As a member of his own fraternity and speaking for the other organizations I am sure, I say that all of us have felt his leadership and guidance throughout the three years that he has been on this campus, and thank him for it. In our own particular fraternity he has done an outstanding job, holding the following offices: Corresponding Secretary and President of the Zeta Sigma Fraternity, and this year President of Delta Sigma Phi.

When it comes time for the Vets to be selling poppies, we will surely be approached a dozen times by him, for he has been a member of the Veterans Club since its beginning last year. He has done and is doing more than his share for our school. It is for this reason that I have felt the urge to pay tribute to a great guy and I am proud to say a fellow student. Hats off to Bob Kenrick for the tremendous job he has done and is doing for our Alma College!

Sincerely yours,
Judson Joyce

ACA Program Outlined at Annual Picnic

"We as students try to deepen our Christian convictions and values," said ACA president Jim Hill, speaker at the annual ACA picnic held at Conservation park Wednesday, September 22. Over sixty persons attended this event.

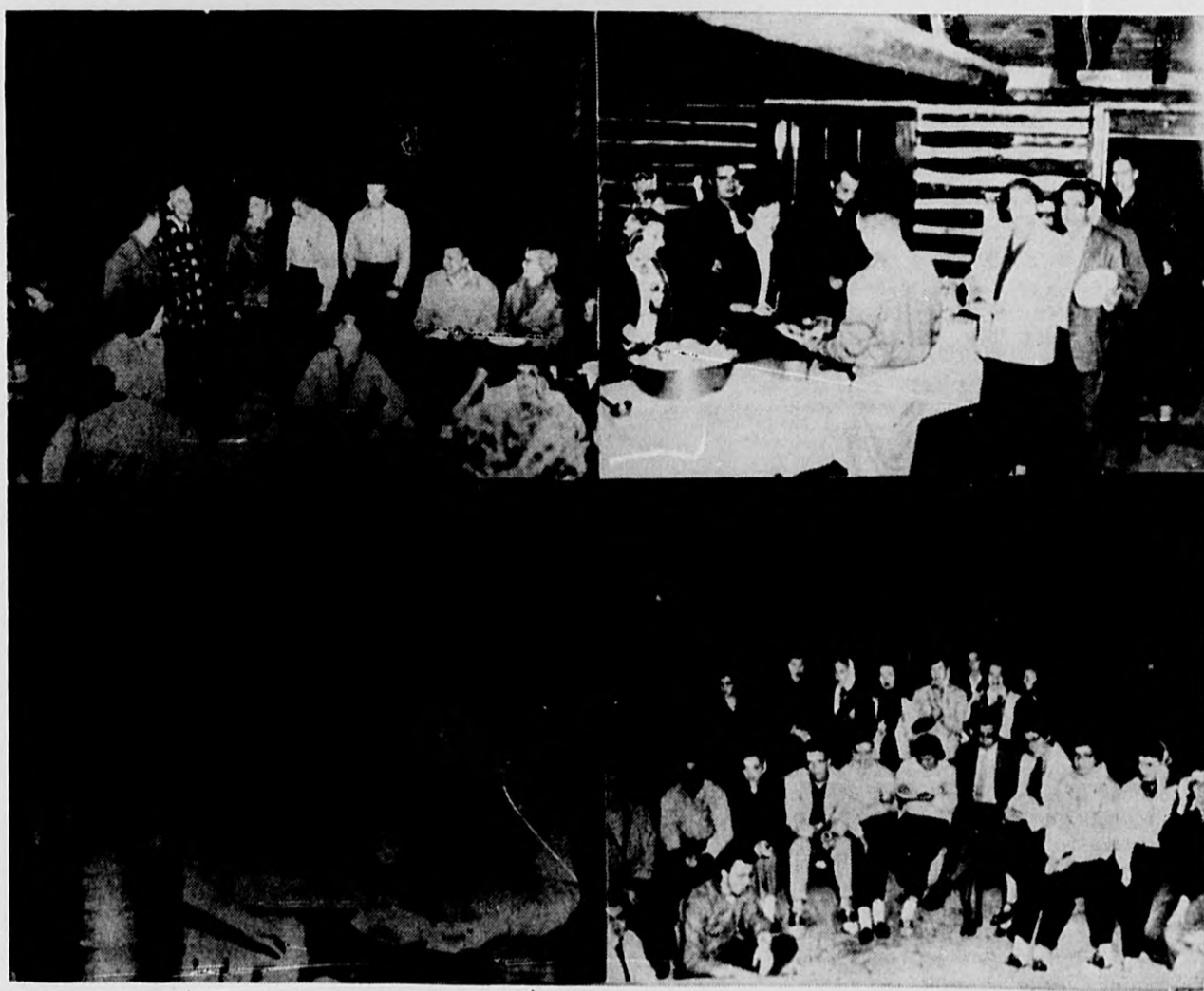
Following his welcoming speech, in which he covered the major activities of ACA, Hill introduced the various committee chairmen including Don Drew, program; Lee Pacey, deputation teams; Lois Welberry, religion-in-life week; and Bob Benjamin, recreation.

After short talks by each of these persons Hill introduced other ACA personnel including Marcia Jones, secretary-treasurer; Betty Anderson and Walt Morton, chapel committee, Dick Beardsley and Tom Dodd, artists.

The ACA is an interdenominational group open to all students. Among the projects sponsored by this group are the faculty auction, a Halloween party, Christmas Caroling, Wednesday worship services, chapel programs, Religion in Life week, and several other projects.

A special feature sponsored by the ACA this year will come in April when the college will entertain the Michigan Student Christian Convocation. This group consists of representatives of religious organizations on all of the college campuses in the state of Michigan.

Dr. Harker closed the meeting with a short talk in which he outlined the religious life on the Alma campus, comparing it to the religious program at Earlham College.



Sixty persons attended the annual ACA picnic held at Conservation park Wednesday evening, September 22. Upper left: Students chat with Dr. Miller around the campfire. Upper right: Dr. and Mrs. Harker go through chow line. Lower right: Students in chow line. Lower left: Students and faculty members sing camp songs around a blazing fire.

Raise Number of Class Cuts

Chestertown, Md. (I. C. P.)—Washington College has liberalized class attendance following an extended study made by its Academic Council. The faculty expressed the belief that to release more students would result in a higher standard of academic performance. Under the new policy, juniors and seniors with cumulative averages of 1.75 or better through their last complete semester shall be allowed unlimited absences. Further, juniors and seniors whose averages for the preceding semester were 2.00 or better shall be permitted unlimited absences, regardless of their cumulative averages. The present grading system is based on a numerical value of 3.00.

Statistical surveys of the two upper classes indicate that under the new cut system the number of students excused from required class attendance would be approximately tripled. These new regulations are effective immediately. They are promulgated as an experiment. The privileges extended may be withdrawn at any time at the discretion of the faculty and the administration.

Under this liberalized system, cuts are to be conserved. The number of class absences permitted to a student shall not be regarded as free privileges to be treated lightly. However, such incidents as illness, deaths in the student's family, regularly scheduled military participation or other legitimate occasions shall be deemed sufficient for exercise of the unlimited cut privilege.

Excused absences will not be given by reason of: weddings; jobs off campus; attendance at fraternity or other conventions (except as one of two official delegates); veterans business other than medical; interviews for positions; financial transactions. Exercise of the privilege will be authorized for use in emergencies only.

Civil Service Opening Available

An opening as claims assistant trainee or field assistant trainee has been received from the United States Civil Service Commission. The position would be with the Social Security Administration and is available due to the extension of Social Security coverage. A candidate should have appropriate social science background or qualifying experience. If interested, further information is available in the Placement Office.

NAM President Holds Press Conference for College Editors

by James Wagar
(James Wagar, Business Administration major, attended the Michigan Industrial Conference in Detroit, Wednesday, September 22.)

Mr. Harold C. McClellan, president of the National Association of Manufacturers, was the main speaker at the Michigan Industrial Conference, Wednesday, September 22. His speech was entitled, "Blueprint for Industrial Salesmanship." In his speech he mentioned two personal obligations of every employer in the business. The first is to see that his business is making a profit. Each policy, each decision, each act should work towards the profit. The second obligation is to see if his employees in their daily work are deriving a feeling of satisfaction and accomplishment. Each policy should also be made with the thought of the employee in mind.

After the speech the student editors of various high schools and college papers in Michigan were offered an opportunity to interview Mr. McClellan. In this interview Mr. McClellan pointed out that half of the people in our country are earning their living in occupations that didn't exist forty years ago. He stated that there are 20,000 firms affiliated with the N.A.M., purely on a voluntary basis. Approximately 87% of the production capacity in the United States is represented in the N. A. M. The association makes policies and sets up codes for industry to follow.

Among the many questions, Mr. McClellan was asked if a college education was more and more necessary in industry. He answered by saying that he thinks that a college education is becoming more and more important just for the full opportunity of getting the maximum out of life. He said, "If you can find the way to go to the college of your choice, and work hard enough to learn the courses that are offered you, don't hesitate." He pointed out that a person who doesn't have a college education works twice as hard to learn the ways of industry and business than does one who has had a college education.

Mr. McClellan was also asked what the outlook for future jobs was in relation with the "depression." He said that this was a political year. We have been in a stage of transition from war-time economy to peace-time economy since 1941. Right now there are changes taking place in businesses that were manufacturing for defense, but he feels that there should be a general leveling-off and hence, more people working.

Still another question asked was, "Is there any possibility of using atomic energy for peace-time uses in the near future?" He answered by saying that millions of dollars are being spent right now in developing atomic energy for public use in peace. He feels that it will come in the very near future.

After the interview students were served refreshments and given a brochure on the work of the N.A.M.

Sullivan Organizes A Capella Choir

From three to four o'clock every weekday afternoon, the chapel another glorious music year looms again filled with singing. With ing ahead, the choir has already begun to put forth concentrated effort on just a part of its repertoire.

The Alma College A Cappella Choir has long been reputed as one of the best small college choirs in the state. The choir will certainly maintain, and also spread that reputation, under the direction of Professor Ernest G. Sullivan.

The following fifty-four people were chosen for the choir because of good musicianship in addition to possession of fine singing voices:

- I Soprano: Alice Erb, Jan Zeilinger, Marieta Aumaugher, Mary Lou Hartwick, Bobby Conlin, Isabel Coubrough, Jean Hoag, Marilyn Black, Mary Heberlein.
- II Soprano: Edna Williams, Carol Stephens, Connie McCall, Janet Chadwick, Marjorie Hobeck, Carol Blanck, Marjorie Clark, Marjorie Fuller.

- I Alto: Betty Anderson, Lois Welberry, Janet McLeod, Connie Koch, Carolyn Taylor, Leona Lashaw, Mary DeVries, Jane Hunt, Janet Potter, Jeanne Lyons.
- II Alto: Carole Cummings, Michela Wilcox, Sherry Sexton, Marilyn Mott.

- I Tenor: Craig Wilson, Don Jackson, George Spriggs, Duane Brewbaker, Bill Meade, Harold Turner.
- II Tenor: Jim Coombes, Al Watterworth, Gailen Nichols, Richard Knowles, David Senkpiel.

- I Bass: Frey Wyngarden, Don Darling, Phil Vance, Don Drew, John Osborn, Bill Pike, Calvin Leavy, Phil Snyder.
- II Bass: Dan Goodearl, Walter Morton, Bob Watterworth, Dick Watterworth.

Open Saginaw Concert Series

The Saginaw Civic Symphony Association has announced five superb symphony concerts with world-famed guest artists.

Immortal masterpieces from the classical and modern repertoire, as well as the works of outstanding contemporary composers, will be presented this forthcoming winter season. This is a genuine musical treat highlighted by the performance of these important personalities of the music world:

- Oct. 19 Eunice Podis, Pianist
- Dec. 7 Shirlee Emmons, Soprano
- Jan. 25 Mischa Mishakoff, Violinist
- Mar. 15 Desire Ligeti, Bass-Baritone.
- May 3 Angelene Collins, Lyric Soprano.

The student rate for the five concerts is three dollars. Transportation is extra, the amount depending upon the number of students desiring transportation.

Students who are interested in season tickets should contact Professor Sullivan at the music office in Clizbe House by Tuesday, October 5.

Cheer Leaders Elected

Professor Kathleen Dillinger, director of women's athletics at Alma College, announced today the official cheer leaders for 1954-55.

The responsibilities of the cheer leaders include attendance at all home games and selected away games to lead yells.

The cheer leaders were elected by the Women's Athletic Association. The list of cheer leaders is as follows:

- Betty Anderson (123 N. Cedar) Schoolcraft, Michigan
- Betty Burns (15493 Linnhurst), Detroit, Michigan
- Hugh Laird (27142 Howell) Detroit, Michigan.
- Wilanore Payne (520 N. East St.), Hastings, Michigan
- Ruthaileen Smith RFD No. 1, Box 382, Onaway, Michigan

Michigan Daily Is 65

The Michigan Daily, campus newspaper of the University of Michigan, celebrated its sixty-fifth birthday last Wednesday. The Daily has grown from a one-page tabloid to a standard-sized, eight page newspaper with a \$75,000 Rotary Press.

A staff of nearly 150 University students publish the paper. They have the longest continuous publication of any college daily.

Anyone who has seen a copy of the Daily knows what a fine example of journalism this paper is, emanating from one of the most prominent University campuses in the country.

Congratulations from the almanian to this example which all college papers would do well to follow.

E.H.P.

Miller, Dicks Appear on TV

McKeefery to Speak Oct. 25

Dr. Claude Dicks and Dr. Ross Miller appeared on the "Wonderland Chapel" over television station WWTW in Cadillac last Monday evening, September 27, at 7:00 p.m. The program is a panel for high school students moderated by Mr. Guy VanderJagt, a pre-ministerial student now employed by the station.

Two Cadillac high school students and a Big Rapids high school student were also present at the panel, on which several questions concerning religion and the small liberal arts college were asked.

Among the questions asked were queries concerning evolution, salvation, world peace, Communism on college campuses, the question of racial segregation, and the value of a small college counseling program. During the course of the program several questions were received by telephone.

This is the first appearance of a number of the Alma college faculty on this station. On Monday evening, October 25, Dr. William J. McKeefery will appear on this program.

NOVICE DEBATERS GO TO ALBION

The inexperienced debate team of Alma College will go to Albion College on Saturday, November 20, 1954. The topic to be discussed is, "Should the United States of America extend diplomatic relations to Communist China?"

The members of the inexperienced debate team are Ann Reavey, freshman, Freeland; Robert J. Watterworth, sophomore, Caseville; Bob Shepherd, sophomore, Hamilton, Ohio; Richard Watterworth, sophomore, Caseville; Herbert Gerber, sophomore, Saginaw; Robert Fritz, sophomore, Cass City; John Marble, senior, Walled Lake; Richard Annis, sophomore, Grand Rapids; Robert White, freshman, Bath; Mary L. Herberlein, freshman, Center Line; Richard Schluckbier, sophomore, Saginaw.

The members of the experienced team are Jim Mills, senior, Alma; Karen Pregitzer, sophomore, St. Louis; David Senkpiel, sophomore, Saginaw; Tom Scholl, sophomore, Allen Park. Announcements of the schedules for debates will be made later.

Music Educators Get Underway

The Alma College chapter of the Music Educators' National Conference will soon begin this year's activities.

Student chapters of the MENC, a national organization of music educators, affords students opportunity for cooperative and reciprocal professional development while in school. Through discussions, demonstrations and participation in programs the future music teacher develops a practical, realistic conception of the music education profession.

Members may attend the regional or national conventions to become acquainted with the leaders in music education and to seek opportunity for contact with music education affairs.

This year promises to be a significant one for the Alma chapter which has 97 members.

Dean Defines Higher Education

"Higher Education for Today" was the topic of the chapel talk given by Dr. McKeefery on Friday morning, September 24. In this talk, Dr. McKeefery outlined several things with which we should not confuse higher education, and then went on to outline the value of reason in averting world crisis.

Dr. McKeefery, first pointed out that higher education should not be confused with professional education. A person might be the best Doctor, or engineer, yet still lack sharpness and fairness of vision. "Professionalism," he said, "means technological efficiency in this or that . . . activity, whereas higher education signifies a character of whole being, whereby you as a whole being are judged."

Secondly, he said that higher education should not be confused with acquisition of knowledge. Although a person may know whole groups of events, the life history of animals, or have calculated equations in higher mathematics, he is not really educated. "A scholar in relation to . . . his eminence in his speciality, is assimilated by his subject. He becomes, in a significant sense, that subject." In liberal education, however, man realizes what is distinctly human in him.

Higher education is likewise not to be confused with lower education, Dr. McKeefery maintained. Lower education gives the tools with which a person thinks, and teaches him the divisions between bodies of knowledge. "Lower education," he said, "produces people with opinions—higher education produces people with ideas."

Nor is higher education to be confused with the development of a religious faith, he contended. . . . Beyond higher education there is a need for faith. In this respect, he said, there are two orders of freedom; first, the freedom with respect for reason, to seek, find, and think; this freedom requires man to accept what he has found by investigation. Second order freedom is the freedom found in divine love, to reject what is given, or to face reality with a sense of awe and wonder.

Calls Emphasis on Instincts Irrational, "Great Inversion"
Dr. McKeefery then pointed out that, in relation to the world situation, reason has been undermined by the successive philosophies of the last two hundred years. Schopenhauer, Nietzsche, and William James first expounded the primacy of the will; Bergson emphasized feeling and evolu-

tion. The doctrine of evolution, based on the idea that something comes from nothing was, he said, a wholly irrational principle.

Dr. McKeefery then attacked the emphasis on instincts, sex, and baser impulses made by Freud and others. He called this "The Great Inversion"—an emphasis in which reason is secondary to emotion, feeling, intuition, or revolutions.

In closing, Dr. McKeefery pointed out three ways in which the liberal arts college can avert world crisis; first, by strengthening the West's weakening hold on reason; second, by registering the efforts of communism to undermine the values of Western culture; third, by giving to the East the resources of our tradition and methods. This, he said, is the challenge facing us at Alma College.

Students Begin Practice Teaching

After three years of training, fourteen Alma College education students began their first year of actual teaching experience at Alma High School this semester.

Betty Burns, English major from Detroit, is teaching courses in American Literature. Speech courses are being taught by Carol Cummings, Spanish and education major from Roseville. Alice Erb, music major from Brooklyn, is teaching elementary and secondary vocal courses. Practice teaching in the first and second grades, Beverly Ewing, education major from Oscoda, is gaining experience in elementary education. Patricia Hewitt, sociology major from Houston, Texas, is teaching general science. A physical education major from Detroit, John Laskarides is teaching history. Doyle McIntosh, math major from Royal Oak is teaching geometry. Suzanne Miller, English major from Holt, is teaching eighth and ninth grade English. Leone Riggle, sociology major from Alma, is teaching both the first and second grades.

Assigned to teach a history course is Denny Stolz, physical education major from Mason. Phil Vance, music major from Alma, is teaching high school vocal music. Martha Vreeland, art major from Royal Oak, is teaching classes in third, fourth, and fifth grades. Teaching advanced algebra is Fred Wood, physical education major from Newberry. A home economics major from Moran, Isabelle Worth, is teaching high school courses in home economics.

New information has been received regarding placement opportunities with Dow Corning in Midland. Anyone interested in learning more about such opportunities should stop in at the placement office.

False face must hide what false heart doth know.

—Hamlet

DENISON REVISES CHAPEL PROGRAM

Granville, O., (I.C.P.)—Denison University will introduce an entirely new chapel program this year, according to an announcement by President A. Blair Knapp. With the full approval of the faculty, Dr. Knapp stated that it is an attempt to remove several weaknesses in the chapel and convocation program. The new program will also be geared to increase the overall budget in order to attract better speakers, and to clear the evenings of many lecture-type events.

Under the new plan, convocations will be held every Monday morning at 11 a.m., as usual, with a regularly scheduled religious program from 7 to 8 p.m. every other Thursday evening. Academic credit will be increased from one-half to three-quarters credit per semester to give an overall increase of two hours for four years. Credit will require 75 per cent attendance for each of the morning and evening programs.

With the advent of the new system, critical issues will be discussed with approximately four of the morning programs being devoted to speakers outstanding in their field of current events. As has been the custom in the past, Campus Government Association will be given two mornings a semester in which to conduct their student-wide business.

"Hell Week" Begins Oct. 11

Fraternity bids will be extended in chapel on Friday, October 8, following the regular eleven o'clock program. This is the only time bids will be accepted unless candidates have made arrangements with Dean Stielstra to pick up late bids.

Members of Delta Gamma Tau, Phi Phi Alpha, and Delta Sigma Phi are to vote on the candidates during their meeting of October 4. Bids will be handed out as a result of this meeting.

"Hell Week" will begin on October 11 for the pledges of Phi Phi Alpha and Delta Gamma Tau and will be continued through October 15. Pledge period for the pledges of Delta Sigma Phi will last for about six weeks, to be followed by a "Hell Week."

Eligibility for pledging this semester requires a "C" average or 1 point. Also, a student must have attended Alma College during the spring semester of 1954.

ATTENTION—Foreign students or anyone who has access to foreign stamps. If anyone has access to foreign stamps which they do not want, please see Harry Bertrand, Room 305 of Pioneer Hall or Post Office Box 132. Thank you.

So convenient thing it is to be a reasonable creature, since it enables one to find or make a reason for everything one has a mind to do.

—Benjamin Franklin

Danger!

By Thomas Scholl

Men of Alma unite! Our campus is now faced with impending tragedy! During the past few weeks, while our population has been lax in its defenses, and preoccupied with registration, millions of the enemy have infiltrated, procuring strategic positions around the college.

Already, Wright Hall, Pioneer Hall, and Van Dusen Commons have been blitzkrieged by the enemy, and are now under constant day and night air-attack by these inhuman invaders—the flies!

Although the future is uncertain, it is by no means without hope. Even as I write this message, the call has gone out for volunteers, and our forces are marshalling to the defense!

Our armies are poorly equipped, often fighting with only fly swatters and newspapers. Many times during a decisive battle the cry has gone out, "Quick Henry, the Flit", only to find that the small ration of deadly weapons is in use elsewhere.

Up to this time the fighting has been done alone or in small groups. Now a definite policy for defense has been made. Arrangements are now under way to evacuate all women and freshmen, should the outlook become worse. The men have become more experienced-in-this-type-of warfare and are ready to meet the invader, fight him, and drive him from our campus. To quote another great warrior, Winston Churchill, I say that our aim is "Victory—victory at all costs; victory in spite of all terror; victory, however long and hard the road may be; for without victory there is no survival."

DID YOU KNOW?

By Dick Schluckbier

"That a new boy would not eat his dessert at dinner one evening because someone said it contained alcohol?"

"That an old boy in Pioneer sold the heat and water for the year to a number of the new boys?"

"That no boy's last name begins with I, O, Q, U, or X?"

"That a track coach was once in 'Believe It or Not?'"

"That he was in it for dropping a football 40 yards bare-footed?"

"That one of the . . . football players plays in a pair of argyle socks knitted by his girl friend?"

See ya next issue. . . . Be Good and Bye now. . . .

Announce Kiltie Band Members

Alma's Kiltie Band adds to the Scot tradition on the football field at home games and many of the "away" games. Attired in their McPherson plaid uniforms, donated by Charles VanDusen, the band performs on the concert stage and in precision maneuvers on the gridiron at half time. The band is unique in its field today, being one of three in the whole country.

Robert E. Rufener directs the band's performances both on the field and on the concert stage. Mr. Rufener received his Bachelor of Science degree at Northeast Missouri College, Kirksville, Missouri; and his Master of Musical Education degree from the Vandercook School of Music in Chicago. This fall begins the eighth year that Mr. Rufener has been at Alma.

Enlarging the band this year are twelve freshmen: Spencer Cordes, Janet Potter, Mary Lou Heiberlein, Wendy Smith, Gerrie Freeman, Ann Reavey, Steve Crowell, Carol Peters, Ed Passenger, Alma Woods, Doug Henderson on the bag-pipes, and Tanya Wells as a baton twirler.

Upper-class members returning are: Don Jackson, Alan Cordill, Tom Dodd, Carl Greene, Dale Hanson, Jean Hicks, George Huyksen, Mary M. Johnson, Dick Knowles, Jackie LaDree, Bob McKenzie, Karan Pregitzer, Ken Smith, Dick Watterworth, Stuart Young, Jake Messman, Judson Joyce, Phil Chisholm, Dan Goodearl, Ray Shamberger, Carol Cummings, Jim Hill, Ray Mayer, and Tom Minshall. Janice Pappin will be Drum Major, with Shirley Morgan and Lois Welberry as baton twirlers.

With this group working together, exhibitions worthy of the modernized Bahlke Field can be expected.

Betty Anderson Elected Queen

Miss Betty Anderson, junior at Alma College, has been elected Homecoming Queen by the student body. Dean William Stielstra, faculty advisor to the student council, announced this today after tabulating the returns.

The queen comes from Schoolcraft; she is a member of Alpha Theta sorority. Her court consists of seniors: Edna LaFleur and Isabelle Worth, a member of Kappa Iota sorority. The junior members of the court are: Sally Souders, a member of Kappa Iota sorority and Peggy Tinney, a member of Alpha Theta.

The queen and her court will be presented October 16, during the half-time of the Alma-Hillsdale game by student council president, Bob Kenrick.

Study Junior Year in France

Sweet Briar, Va.—(I.P.) Funds for a study to determine the effectiveness of the Junior Year in France program, which has been administered by Sweet Briar College since 1948, have been granted to the college by the Fund for the Advancement of Education, according to an announcement by President Anne Gary Pannell. The grant totals \$10,330. A report of the projected survey is planned in observance of its fiftieth anniversary in 1956.

Students formerly enrolled in conjunction with Sweet Briar's the Junior Year in France, as well as directors and teachers who have been associated with the program, will be questioned in an effort to ascertain how the year of foreign study has affected the lives, career choices, civic activities and attitudes of the participants. French families with whom the American students have lived, and French instructors will also be asked for their impressions of the impact made by the students upon French communities.

According to President Pannell, Sweet Briar hopes to provide a basis for future improvements in the field of international education projects through its study of the values and limitations of its Junior Year in France.

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Ferris Twice Conquered by Scots



Ferris gridders rushing Scots' line in the Varsity game Saturday night, Sept. 25.

Swamp Ravens 26-9

Alma successfully opened the '54 football season and the dedication of the new stadium, by rolling over Anderson, Indiana, 26-9.

Denny Stolz started his Senior season in a spectacular fashion by passing for all four of the Scots' touchdowns.

Stolz first hit pay dirt by connecting on a 21-yard pass play to Raab, midway in the first quarter. The Scots scored again when Shrum and Stolz connected on an 8 yard touchdown heave, midway through the second quarter.

With 14 seconds to go in the half, Larry Parks electrified the crowd when he gathered Stolz's perfect pass and sprinted 67 yards for a T.D.

The defensive play of Alma in the first half was superb, Anderson gaining only 3 yards rushing and not obtaining a first down until 6:38 of the second quarter.

After the half-time festivities the Scots cooled off considerably. Stolz's fumble on the 12 was converted into Anderson's first and only T. D. when Haynie, the quarterback, went over on a quarterback sneak.

Stolz and the Scots bounced back with a 40 yard touchdown pass to Marv Raab.

Anderson concluded the scoring when an Alma kick was blocked for a safety.

Raab, the leading collegiate scorer in the state last year, got off to a fast start by scoring his two touchdowns, and also leading the ground gainers with 92 yards on 17 carries.

Stolz hit on 10 of 18 passes for a total of 136 yards and converted the two extra points.

The pass catching of McIntosh, Parks, Raab, and Shrum produced the offensive thrills of the ball game.

Alma gained 327 yards to Anderson's 12.

Harriers Prepare To Meet Hope, October 9

The Cross Country team is working diligently to get in shape for their first meet, against always strong Hope, on the 9th of October.

Coach Skinner has a complete rebuilding job facing him due to the loss of the whole team of last year, which finished fifth.

Candidates seeking berths on this year's squad are: Bruce Siefker, Jerry Rogers, Howard Anderson, David Senkpiel, Edward Pitts, John Ryan, Robert Burge, Jim Fox, and Duane Aslyn.

The schedule is, at present, arranged for seven meets with Mt. Pleasant and Calvin to be scheduled.

Candidates are still welcome to come out, with previous experience not necessary.

Pheiffers Drop One To Motor City Hoods

Intramural football was started this week with the opening games producing one major surprise.

The defending champs, Phi Pheiffers, were defeated by the Motor City Hoods. The Hoods, sparked by the passing of Ed DeCaussin, the all-around play of Russell, and the pass catching of Lude, looked like the team to beat.

The Deltas appear to be the most formidable opposition. Runnerups last year, when they lost to the Phis in a playoff, they started out the season victoriously. The Local Lads Plus Some forfeited to the Delt Dodgers.

The clash between the Deltas and the Hoods was a thriller.

Nudge Ferris 19-12

By John Noud

A "fired up" underrated Ferris Institute eleven almost upset the Alma Scots by scoring twice in the last quarter and threatening in the last minutes of the game at Ferris last Saturday, September 25. Long scoring runs by Hill and Colbert were mainly responsible for keeping Alma undefeated.

The first quarter was scoreless with offensive threats by both teams being stopped inside the thirty yard line.

Hill started the scoring by sprinting 63 yards off left tackle with two minutes gone in the second quarter. Stolz failed to convert.

Alma started fast after the half. When Colbert broke away on a 45 yard scoring run, and Stolz converted, it looked as if Alma would win easily.

Ferris and its cagey halfback McDaniels were not done yet, however. McDaniels raced 61 yards to score and set up another on a dash of 47 yards within the first five minutes of the fourth quarter. Both conversions were missed, however, and Alma maintained a narrow 13-12 lead.

Stolz recovered a Ferris fumble, after Raab had kicked deep into Ferris territory, and on a series of plunges Raab went over. The conversion was blocked.

McDaniels struck back with a 35 yard run to the Alma thirty. At this point Cook broke through to throw Ferris for a five yard loss. This seemed to take the fight out of Ferris, Alma took over on downs and ran the clock out.

Alma outgained Ferris 289 yards to 222. The game was peculiar in that only one pass was completed out of eighteen attempted, Stolz completing one for 10 yards.

The addition of Colbert and Gellach improve the Scot attack considerably. This was the first game for both as they came out late.

The line play of Rubel, Hahn, and Carleton was very good. Ferris gained 22 yards rushing, but the vast majority of it was around the ends or off tackle.

Jayvees Beat Ferris 15-6 In Nite Cap

Don Raymond scored two touchdowns and converted once to lead Alma's Junior Varsity footballers to a 15-6 victory over a visiting Ferris eleven Wednesday night, September 29.

Raymond first struck pay dirt on a short plunge in the opening minutes of the second quarter.

Ferris knotted up the score late in the half when a gamble by quarterback Ayling backfired. Ayling's attempted pass from within his own thirty was intercepted and run back for a touchdown.

The third quarter was scoreless with play taking place between the thirty yard lines.

Alma showed its finest offensive punch in the final quarter. A drive by Alma was stopped on the Ferris eighteen yard line but Ferris fumbled on the first series of downs and Alma recovered.

Raymond then scored on a short drive play and his conversion put Alma into a 13-6 lead.

The scoring was concluded when Ferris quarterback was run out of bounds in his own end zone.

Raymond had able running mates in Bob Godfrey, Tom Johnson and Joe Coe. They picked up considerable yardage in the last quarter during which Alma threatened several times.

Temple Organizes New Rush Program

(I.C.P.)—Activities varying from athletics to debating will be represented during this year's . . . Organizations Publicity Drive at Temple University. The new system, which was in an experimental stage last year, has proved a success and will set the pattern for future activities rush weeks, according to Miss Elvira K. Woerle, activities counselor.

This newly-inaugurated semi-annual event consists of two periods of activity. Orientation Day for entering freshmen is followed by the Publicity Drive, which is the promotional period for extra-curricular groups. The drive's primary purpose is to acquaint new students with the activities here. However, Miss Woerle encourages upper classmen as well as to seek candidacy into organizations. Participating in the Publicity Drive will be more than 25 groups, including religious clubs, speech societies, political organizations, language groups, fraternities and sororities, and military clubs, all of which will display posters and literature on their respective tables.

The main problem encountered by previous unorganized rush weeks was that freshmen were frequently lost to extracurricular groups because they had no chance to become acquainted with these groups. Last year the problem, recognized by the Office of Student Personnel, was solved by compressing all rush activities into one week of recruiting.

Miss Woerle, in citing the other advantages of this system said, "The organized rush week gives the leaders within these organizations personal contacts with the students who are joining the organizations."

Intramural Football Teams in Play

Intramural football games at Davis Field have been scheduled this year under the direction of Mr. Gary Stauffer. There are four teams in the league; The Motor City Hoods, The Delt Dodgers, The Phi Pheiffers, and The Local Lads Plus Some.

Schedule for intramural games is as follows:

- October 5—
Delt Dodgers vs. Phi Pheiffers 4:00 p.m.
Phi Pheiffers vs. Local Lads, 5:00
- October 7—
Delt Dodgers vs. Local Lads, 4:00
Phi Pheiffers vs. Motor City Hoods, 5:00
- October 12—
Phi Pheiffers vs. Local Lads, 4:00
Delt Dodgers vs. Motor City Hoods, 5:00
- October 14—
Local Lads vs. Motor City Hoods, 4:00
Delt Dodgers vs. Phi Pheiffers, 5:00

Van der Veen

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power and the giantlike aspect of America. He spoke of the Michigan band as "hopping up the field in a strange way."

Scholl Introduces Speaker: Mr. Parm Mayer Presented
Thomas Scholl, vice-president of Parnassians, college literary society, introduced the speaker and officiated at the serving of refreshments. There were forty persons present at this meeting; Mr. Parm Mayer, president of the Alma chapter of Atlantic Union and Alma high school teacher, college faculty members, and students.

Adriaan Van der Veen was born in the Netherlands, had his schooling in Belgium and at Columbia University, New York City. During the last war he was Dutch representative to the United States. He has won renown as a literary editor of a leading Dutch newspaper, as well as winning the 1953 prize of the Dutch Academy of Letters for his novel, "The Wild Party." The Atlantic Monthly magazine describes him as a gifted writer of short stories, and novels. While living in the United States, he met and married an American girl.

Van der Veen is visiting several college and university campuses under the auspices of the Dutch Government and the United States Department of State. He left Alma at 11:00 a.m. Wednesday after addressing the Sophomore classes in literature. Later, he was to meet with students and faculty at Central Michigan College, Mt. Pleasant, after which time he will make stops in Ypsilanti and in Ohio.

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HOME EC CLUB MEETS

The Home Economics Club held its first meeting Tuesday evening, September 28, at the home economics room in the Arts Building. The club membership now stands at 18. Tentative plans for the forthcoming year were discussed with a committee chosen to make a detailed schedule. Candied apples will be made at the next meeting, which will be Tuesday, October 12, after which they will be sold throughout establishments on the campus with funds used to send two girls to the National Home Economics Convention in the spring. The purpose of the Home Economics Club is to bring together all girls interested in homemaking and to enlighten their social relationships whether taking home economics as a class or not. Thus we are urging all new girls interested to attend the next meeting.

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Dr. L. Lamont Okey, U. of M. Speech Prof. First Assembly Speaker

Alma College's first assembly program was held last Wednesday, September 29. Dr. Lamont Okey, professor of speech at the University of Michigan, spoke on the topic, "Making Words Come Alive."

Dr. Okey said that we live in a world of eyes and ears today—that means that our words must come alive in order to give a basis on which we can transmit ideas. Some people believe that an author's thoughts and feelings are fully expressed in his books, as is the case with a poet, but this is far from the truth.

Dr. Okey went on to explain how authors develop words and play on words to get their points across. His first selection was a poem by D. H. Lawrence, "The Snake," a narrative expressing the poet's feelings while watching the snake invade his private course of water for a drink. Our guest's very colorful rendition gave us the feeling of also observing the snake. "People like narratives," Dr. Okey told us. Poets, he said, give the key to their heart in expressing their feelings and reactions on subjects.

His next selection was a sonnet by John Milton, "On His Blindness." Milton dictated this poem only a short while after becoming blind. A type of megonization can be gathered from the poem that is completely blotted out in Milton's later works.

In a different vein, if a poet wants to sing to you, he has but to command the words and they are his messengers. Lyric poems best transmit the ideas of a word song. World War I produced three great poets, Dr. Okey said. Of these three he chose Alan Seeger to represent this period, with the poem, "I Have a Rendezvous with Death." This poem portrays a young man's fear and pride as he goes to war. Again, Dr. Okey called upon the World War I period for "White Cross." A boy goes off to war and does not return home. His mother receives a telephone call, telling her that her son has been killed in Africa, but no other facts are known.

Dr. Okey further stated that poetry as well as newspaper editorials can be a social influence. One such poem, he said, is Louis Untermeyer's call for reform in the coal mines.

In spite of what people say, poets are not long-haired—they have humorous moments as all of us do. Pointing up this fact is a poem by an unknown poet called, "I Why?"

Various moods are expressed by the poet and his poetry may be interpreted in a way entirely different from the way intended.

Another type of poetry presented by Dr. Okey was the ballad, a type of poetry usually sung.

Dr. Okey turned next to the biographical type of poem, stating that poets take known personalities and paint pictures of them, bringing in little-known facts, which are of interest to the reader. Many times, a poet will take a view opposite that which has been taken for years. The poem, "Judas Iscariot" is this type of poem. The author feels that Judas was not an angel of the Devil but a part of the divine play.

Still other poets take everyday material and present it in a new fashion. Such a poem is Robert Frost's "Wild Grapes."

Dr. Okey's last selection was "Race," a poet's attempt to follow through a couple's married life.

Dr. L. Lamont Okey was born December 3, 1909, in Benton City, Missouri. He received the A.B. degree from Cornell College, the A.M. and Ph. D. degrees from the University of Michigan. He has also studied with Walton Payne, Chicago Musical college; Lawrence M. Brings, Northwestern College of Speech Arts; and with Helen Mann Van Tyle, Des Moines School of Arts. Dr. Okey has appeared with the Misner Shakespearean Players.

He came to the University as instructor of speech in 1948. Prior to this he taught at the Dayton Consolidated Schools in Iowa; Chatfield High School in Iowa; and Cornell College, Mt. Vernon, Iowa.

Since coming to the University of Michigan he has also taught speech classes in the Detroit Center. During World War II, he was in the Medical Corps, U. S. Naval Reserve, Mediterranean theater.

He is a member of the Michigan Teachers of Speech, Speech Association of America, Phi Kappa Phi, and Theta Alpha Phi. His areas of study are dramatics, theater, interpretation, public address, and pedagogy. Dr. Okey is married and has two children, one son and a daughter.

Begin Three-Week Reading Period Before Finals

(I.C.P.) The last three weeks of each semester may be pretty quiet affairs at Pomona college beginning with the 1954-55 academic year. Dr. F. Raymond Iredell, dean of the faculty, announces that the faculty has approved a three-week reading period for upper division courses at the end of each semester.

Participation will be at the option of the instructor, who may if he desires call up to three class meetings during the period. All regular course assignments such as term papers must be submitted by students before the period begins. Students are being urged to re-organize extra-curricular activities in such a way that the period will be kept free of social and other non-academic events.

"Students have frequently suggested that they do not have sufficient opportunity to do uninterrupted reading when they would profit most by it," Dr. Iredell said. "After lectures and class discussions have opened up significant problems and provided a method of approach to a field, it is felt it would be profitable to have time for independent study and reflection to cover a considerable amount of material in an independent way and round out the work of a semester."

Columbia Drops Option Program

Columbia (I.C.P.)—A pioneer in Liberal arts education since 1919 through the development of the nationally-known courses in Contemporary Civilization and the Humanities, Columbia College, the liberal arts undergraduate school for men at Columbia University, is now planning to eliminate the fifty-year-old "professional option" program for all except engineering students.

At the same time all students will be required to include an area of concentration in their program which will require at least 24 points of study in some one department. These thorough-going changes, which are expected to increase substantially the liberal arts content of the last two years, will become effective this month for the Class of 1958 and those following, according to Dr. Lawrence H. Chamberlain, dean of the College.

The reorganization of the Upper College has been the subject of extensive faculty and student discussion since the end of World War II, particularly as to professional option. This plan permitted college seniors to spend their last undergraduate year as a graduate student in the University's professional schools of medicine, dentistry, law, engineering and architecture.

It was originally instituted to insure that professional students would have a minimum of three years of liberal arts education, but as most graduate schools began to require a baccalaureate degree for admission, its purpose became lost. In recent years, the professional option plan, according to Dean Chamberlain, has actually served the direct opposite of its original function by eliminating one year of liberal arts education for the professional student. At the same time the rigors of specialized professional study, sometimes far distant from the College campus, denied to the professional option student the time and opportunity to maintain his extra-curricular activities during the important senior year.

Discussing the old Upper College program, Dean Chamberlain cited the fact that in the past a student could be graduated from the College with a minimum number of courses in any one department. Because of the necessarily introductory nature of such courses, a student could complete his college program with a cursory knowledge of many disciplines, but without any concrete and comprehensive understanding of one particular field.



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He also pointed out that under the old plan many of the seminars were of advanced nature, requiring several courses in preparation, as well as being elective. These two factors worked to prevent numerous Upper College students from choosing or being eligible for seminar courses, thus missing sufficient opportunity to exercise the independent judgment and planning which the Dean felt must be an integral part of a liberal arts education.

Construct New Interfaith Chapels

Waltham, Mass., (I.C.P.)—Immediate construction of a unique interfaith project, consisting of separate Catholic, Protestant, and Jewish chapels was announced here by Brandeis University. With this chapel concept the University makes a sharp departure from customary chapel practices at denominationally sponsored colleges.

Officials made it clear that the presence of the chapels would not alter the institution's policy of non-denominational activities. No official chaplain will be named by the University, nor will any chapel services be made compulsory. Instead, it is announced, the three extra-curricular religious groups on campus which cater to the religious needs of the students will be responsible for the use of each facility.

Each chapel was designed after consultation with authorities of the faiths involved to insure that proper religious needs would be safe-guarded. The Protestant chapel is designed to satisfy the needs of the major sects—Lutheran, Presbyterian, and Episcopalian—and will have a combination altar and communion table. The Catholic chapel is equipped with a sacristy.

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