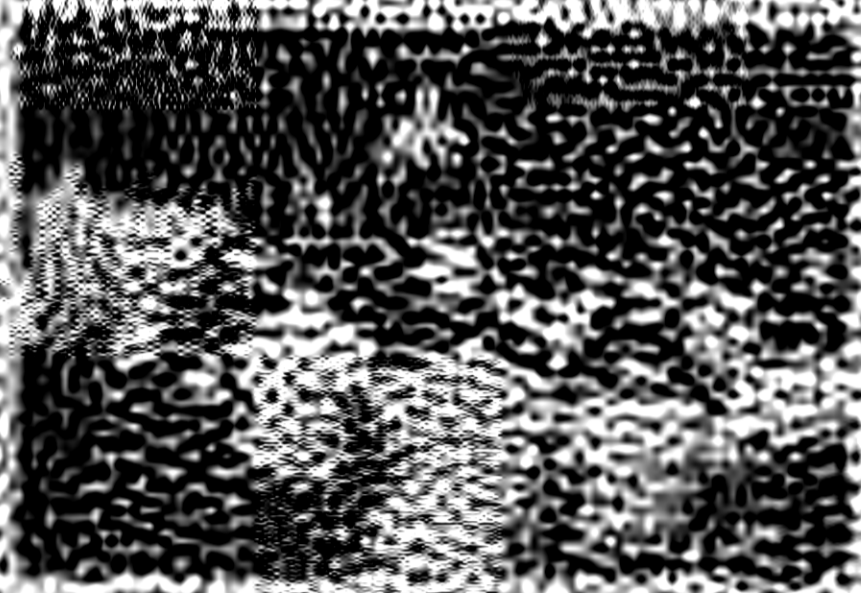


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Campus Housing Units, Curse of Students, Are Scene of Much Activity; Should Be Improved

by Dick Johnson

We all know that the college newspaper is the medium of information for the events and activities of the college. We read about the various plays, debates, sports and club news, and in the fraternity and sorority column, the bits of idle gossip which are of interest to the many members of the student body.

After reading these many items, I have felt that our newspaper has been serving its normal function; that of supplying the news of the campus to the student body. But I feel that in the past, there is one area that has been neglected. This is the housing section for married students.

Many times, especially on the day of football games, I have heard many of the students say as they pass by, that they would detest the thought of living in one of those housing units, and many times I have heard this area referred to by names that are distasteful to us who reside here.

It was my conclusion that these students have passed judgment on this subject without first investigating the situation. They remind me of the neighborhood gossips who spread the news without "getting the facts straight, man." So I feel that the press is the quickest method of distributing the true facts on this subject.

I would like first of all to express my appreciation to the administration of Alma College for the privilege of living in this unit, and I feel that this is the general feeling of the entire group.

I realize that these apartments are not the most excellent of residences, but in view of the situation for which they serve, they are considered as palaces to many of us. They are neat, comfortable, and clean. They have all the facilities which one would desire in any modern apartment house, and the most valuable asset is the nearness to the campus.

The social life is another aspect which is interesting. The Campus Wives have been a very active group and annually prepare Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners for the group.

They have been fortunate enough to place at least twice among the floats on Homecoming Day, and some believe that only a bit of politicking has kept them from being first. They have volleyball and softball teams and



"I know, gear, but Daddy's late for his class."

behind them is the enthusiastic cheering of the masculine half of the family.

Neither is this section without its humorous moments. On any given morning one can look out his window and see a tardy husband making the 100 in 10 so as to be in class on time.

And if some of you students think it's rough to have your parents talk to you about your grades, you should have a wife discuss the pro and cons of not receiving a two-point at the end of the term.

I would like to compare this unit with those of various other campuses in Mich. I can say personally that after inspecting the units of Central, M.S.C. and Western, I believe that these are the best of the entire group.

We are not as crowded together as the others. The buildings

seem to be better constructed and the maintenance appears to be much better. But the areas to which we must give credit are the permanent housing units which these colleges are constructing. These colleges are looking to the future and are of the opinion that the married students are an institution which has to be provided for.

Even with the large building programs that have been and are now being completed on these campuses there is a long waiting list and a married student that is able to get his name on this list is indeed fortunate.

I am of the belief that the married population of our college is increasing and will continue to do so. Is our administration looking to the future and preparing for these students?

Give Thanks for Ponderers

Thanksgiving vacation begins tomorrow! To all of us, it means two and a half days off from classes. To each of us it means something different.

What can Thanksgiving mean for American college students? Faced with a world of confusion both without and within, men beset by fear of the draft, which may wreck their careers at any moment, torn by conflicting ideologies, American college students find themselves in a quandary. In many cases, they are torn between youthful idealism and the more traditional ways of the status quo.

Counting our blessings can be a difficult task. The material blessings we have, certainly. The spiritual blessings are more elusive. Perhaps what we as American college students need is a measure of spiritual vision that will enable us to see our blessings more plainly.

Praise God for blessings, if any. At any rate, Praise God for those who can ponder.

Social Calendar

NOVEMBER		
23	Student Council	6:30 p.m., Tuesday
	Chem Club	7:00 p.m., Tuesday
	Le Cercle Francais	7:00 p.m., Tuesday
	Die Lustige Gesellschaft	7:00 p.m., Tuesday
	El Circulo Espanol	7:00 p.m., Tuesday
	Home Ec Club	7:00 p.m., Tuesday
	Choral Union	7:30 p.m., Tuesday
24	THANKSGIVING VACATION	
		11:00 a.m., Wednesday
29	Classes Resume	8:00 a.m., Monday
	Chapel, Students	11:00 a.m., Monday
30	Student Council	6:30 p.m., Tuesday
	Choral Union	7:30 p.m., Tuesday
DECEMBER		
1	College Division Recital	4:00 p.m., Wednesday
	Alma Christian Association	7:00 p.m., Wednesday
	Basketball, Ferris, there	Wednesday
	W.A.A. Meeting	10:00 p.m., Wednesday
2	Faculty Study Group II	5:00 p.m., Thursday
	"Stardust Ball"	
	with Ralph Marterie	8:00 p.m., Thursday
3	Chapel	11:00 a.m., Friday
4	Basketball, Hillsdale, here	Saturday
	Phi Phi Alpha Open House	Saturday
5	"The Messiah"	8:00 p.m., Sunday
6	Chapel	11:00 a.m., Monday
	Interfraternity Council	9:00 p.m., Monday
7	Student Council	6:30 p.m., Tuesday
	Future Teachers	7:00 p.m., Tuesday
	Die Lustige Gesellschaft	7:00 p.m., Tuesday
	Los Buenos Companeros	7:00 p.m., Tuesday
	Student Duo Piano Recital	8:30 p.m., Tuesday
8	Assembly, Len Stuttman	11:00 a.m., Wednesday
	Administrative Council	3:00 p.m., Wednesday
	MENC.	4:00 p.m., Wednesday
	Faculty Study Group I	5:30 p.m., Wednesday
	Alma Christian Association	7:30 p.m., Wednesday
9	Faculty Study Group III	5:30 p.m., Thursday
	Parnassians	7:00 p.m., Thursday
10	Chapel	11:00 a.m., Friday
	Vets Club	5:00 p.m., Friday
11	Sig Phi-Delta Gamma Tau "Holly House"	Saturday
12	A Cappella Choir	
	Christmas Concert	8:00 p.m., Sunday
13	Chapel, Dr. Henry Klomp	11:00 a.m., Monday



Noud Says Victory and Spirit Interact

An age old debating question on all college campuses is that of school spirit and the lack of such. There has been considerable discussion on this topic during the recent year just as there has been in the past.

School spirit, as it applies to this schools support of its various athletic teams, is definitely not what it should be.

The question as I see it is, should you expect people to rally around a losing team like they do a winner? Let's face it,—human nature urges each one of us to connect ourselves with the winner while only the "true fan" will string along with a loser. Whether spirit is the forerunner of winning teams or winning teams the builders of spirit are two questions which are as controversial as the question of whether heredity or environment is the most important. I think it is generally accepted that the two are inseparable, that one can't exist without the other.

Therefore, the solution to the problem, as I see it, is to have the winning teams. The bringing about of the solution is not as easy as the writing of the statement, but the solution can be partially made if we will do several things.

Foremost of these is for each and everyone of us to develop a winning attitude. I don't mean an "Unrealistic Attitude". An individual or a team which doesn't

think that he or they can win won't win. As a rule you are never any better than you think you are.

Secondly, the athletic program has got to achieve better balance. Why should football and baseball reign supreme while tennis and track remain as weak unrespected sisters. Do we want school spirit to exist in just a couple of sports or to exist in all phases of college participation?

In conclusion I feel that those of us who possess ability in a given direction should feel indebted to give of ourselves in that direction in which we have talent. How many times have you heard one or another degrade the efforts of an individual or a team when we ourselves lacked the initiative to add our ability to the effort?

Four or five cheerleaders cannot create school spirit. It comes about only through the efforts of all concerned!

John Noud

Smith Asks for Broader IFC Duties

The interfraternity council at Alma College is failing to meet the needs of the fraternities on campus. At many colleges and universities, I am led to understand that through the IFC organization members and officers of different groups meet and discuss the problems of their work before them at that time.

For instance, the treasurers might try to determine the best formal method of getting dues

paid, or house managers might discuss general work problems. And so forth—a meeting of the social chairmen might eliminate much added expense and help save much embarrassment on the part of any group by having it said that it was not well represented or not represented at all at various college functions.

Might I suggest some correspondence with other IFC groups, such as the one at Ann Arbor or East Lansing. I mention these because I know their operations in the fields I have stated above.

Also the study of some other IFC groups might lend to an unbiased understanding and thought concerning the handling of such problems.

To my knowledge, there is today as in the past on the Alma college campus an undercurrent of apprehension and petty jealousy and fierce rivalry between the fraternities. It is this situation that the Interfraternity Council must rise above.

My reason for writing this letter is that the problems of other fraternities have come to my knowledge and bear a resemblance to those of my own group, Phi Phi Alpha.

Wishing for the best competitive spirit on campus, I believe the Interfraternity council needs to and should function to its fullest potentialities instead of accomplishing only a third of its purpose.

Homer O. Smith

Announcements

There will be one issue of the almanian in each of the months of December and January. The December issue will be a special Christmas edition and will come out December 14. The editors solicit material on a Christmas theme for this issue.

Students may submit topics for discussion by the panel to be held

under the auspices of the Alma Christian Association on Wednesday, December 1, at 7:00 p.m. These should be turned in to program chairman Don Drew as soon as possible.

Die Lustige Gesellschaft will hold its regular meeting tonight at 7 p.m. in the Women's Lounge of Tyler. A program of interest to all German students will be presented.

Thanksgiving Customs Hary

By Doug Nietzsche

The literal idea of Thanksgiving Day—that is, to give thanks, — is not strictly an American custom, not something we ourselves have begun. However, the history of our holiday is somewhat more religious in nature, whereas in many other countries it is merely a celebration after the fall harvest.

We all have learned the story of how the Pilgrims left Holland aboard the Mayflower, and suffered a perilous voyage until they landed at Plymouth Rock on December 21, 1620. Their first winter here was rife with hardships. Thanks to help from Indians, the Pilgrims learned how to survive in the climate, how to plant grain and hunt. When their first bountiful harvest was gathered, Governor Bradford ordered a three day feast and celebration.

This was a natural thing for them to do for more than one reason. To be sure, the prosperity of their little colony was insured, but they may have adopted the Dutch holiday of October 3rd, which was the anniversary of their deliverance from the Spaniards. This was the most popular religious and social holiday of Holland, where the Pilgrims had remained ten years after leaving England.

In any case, there are many other instances in History which mention Thanksgiving after the crops were gathered.

The Lithuanians had a similar feast which was typical of the celebrations occurring in Europe. After the grain was stored, each farmer would mix nine handfuls of each kind of grain he grew. Part of the mixture was used to make a loaf of bread for every member of the family, and the rest was made into beer. As one writer described it:

When the beer had fermented and was ready for drinking, the farmer knelt before the barrel and drew out a jugful which he poured over the barrel's spout.

The farmer then chanted: "O Fruitful earth, make rye and barley, and all grains do flourish." Following this was a feast of chicken and beer.

In other countries in Europe today the harvest festival is still a holiday, although not a civil one as in the United States. In some parts of France flowers are placed atop a haystack to symbolize their thanks; celebrations, such as dancing around the haystack is also a part of the peasants' activities. Before the war in Alsace, a farmer and his laborers would change places and jobs for the day, and also had feasts, sports, and a long night of dancing.

There is a Pan-American Thanksgiving Day observed annually by the representatives of the Latin American countries in the nation's capital. It was first celebrated in 1909.

Although our Thanksgiving Day is not a unique thing for America, the event it stands for is closely tied up with our way of life. The Pilgrims came here to have the political and religious freedom which they were denied in England. As we observe this day we not only give thanks for the material things of life, but we recall again how fortunate we are to have this freedom which the Pilgrims helped us achieve.

Sexton Is Queen

Attractive Sherry Sexton was chosen Sweetheart of DeMolay by the members of the State Conference held at Grand Rapids, Michigan, November 5-7, 1954. Each of the 64 chapters elected candidates for the honor and presented the candidates for election at the state meeting. Sherry will attend all important meetings of DeMolay as Sweetheart in the State of Michigan.

Oberlin Meet

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Dr. Fry closed his talk with the statement that there are two kinds of people—good and bad. "Both," he said, "live inside me." He added that the church is a stimulus to man's best, and in this respect it is unique and precious to man.

Five Alma Students Attend

Five Alma college students, Jim Hill, Dick Knowle, Eugene Patterson, Leroy Posey, and George Springs, together with Dr. Ross Miller were guests of The Graduate School of Theology of Oberlin College for this weekend conference. The program opened with an address by Dr. Howard Brown.

Discuss Motivations

Sunday's discussions were concerned with the motivations which cause men and women to enter full-time Christian service.

Sig Phi-Delt
"Holly House"
December 11

Klomp Sees "Crucible" as Best Since "Apley"

Dr. Henry Klomp

Last Tuesday's performance of Arthur Miller's *The Crucible* by the Alma College Masquers under the direction of Professor Gregory was, in my opinion, the best dramatic performance on the Alma campus since *The Late George Apley* in 1952. Even in the latter, in spite of some outstanding individual performances, the acting was not as uniformly good as it was in *The Crucible*. The fact that there were so many prominent roles was a good feature because it gave several Masquers an opportunity to display their talent, and none of the seven or eight leading actors turned in a mediocre performance.

One of the gratifying features of the production was that certain students who had not particularly distinguished themselves in earlier plays suddenly exhibited talent of which we were not wholly aware. *The Crucible* was a real challenge, and the actors responded to it remarkably well.

Perhaps the greatest surprise of the evening was the excellent acting of Edna La Fleur, who had performed well but not impressively in previous plays. Her voice quality and personal mannerisms were peculiarly adapted to the roll of the weak-willed Mary Warren, and she played it very convincingly.

Equally striking was Bob Woods' portrayal of the high-minded and earnest Reverend John Hale. He played the role with appropriate dignity and restraint, which made an effective contrast to the dramatic intensity of other roles. The note of sanity which he injected was a welcome relief in the rather high tension of the play.

Edna Williams, as Elizabeth Proctor, was more adapted to the part assigned her than she was in *Heaven Can Wait*. She played the moving role of an earnest but anemic Puritan wife more naturally than she played the lighter role of a cold-blooded murderer. Her very sincere and sympathetic portrayal of Elizabeth Proctor was one of the finest pieces of acting in the play.

There were, of course, more seasoned actors whose good performances were no surprise. Hugh Davies' acting was his best in any long play to date; he was certainly better as John Proctor than as Barquo or Petruccio, chiefly because there were greater variety and occasional reserve in his playing. The scenes which were played with appropriate restraint brought out the full, deep qualities in his voice and were his best; those in which he played at the top of his voice were less good. Wayne Martens' portrayal of Deputy-Governor Danforth was adequate and pleasantly natural but did not measure up to his performance in *Heaven Can Wait* because of his persistent tendency to shout. The role of a severe and bigoted magistrate would have been equally convincing if it had been played with a little more dignity—something of the quality which distinguished Dick Schluckbier's less important role. Jim Coombes did not have an opportunity to steal the show as he has sometimes



Deputy Governor (Wayne Martens) pleads with John Proctor (Bud Davies) to confess witchcraft as Goody Proctor (Edna Williams) and Goody Nurse (Kay Soucie) look on.

done, but he portrayed the Rev. Samuel Parris with his usual complete absorption in his role and continues to be, in my opinion, the finest actor to appear on the Alma campus in recent years.

Mention should also be made of George Spriggs' interesting portrayal of the eccentric but earnest Giles Corey and Katy Manthos' very competent acting in the role of the conniving and defiant Abigail Williams. Outstanding among the few freshman actors was Phyllis Dresbach, who, as the half-crazed Tituba, introduced a bit of unearthliness that helped to establish the atmosphere of the play. In her costume and make-up, however, the unearthliness was almost a bit overdone.

The stage settings and costumes were as good as the acting. The somber interior of a Puritan home which appeared when the curtain opened provided a fitting background for the grim tragedy which followed; and the colorless but very historical costumes were in keeping with the scenery. Most impressive of the stage settings was the prison scenery in the last scene, with the growing light of dawn coming through a barred window.

There was more in the performance to be commended than to be criticized, but an uninterrupted series of compliments would be both unrealistic and uninteresting. It is difficult to say, however, whether the things which did

not wholly please were faults of the performance or of the play itself.

The chief weakness in the production was that it was too long. The last scene, particularly, was rather tedious and somewhat anti-climactic after the sustained intensity of the two previous scenes. I hesitate to say, however, that it should have been played at a faster tempo, which would have hardly been appropriate to the solemnity of the action. Perhaps a little cutting would have helped, although it is possible that this could have been done only by the author.

It was a little difficult to understand some of the speeches, particularly at the beginning of the play. As the action mounted in intensity, it became easier to understand the actors, possibly because closer concentration on the part of the audience was inevitable. On the other hand, when certain actors spoke at the top of their voices, whole sentences were frequently lost to even the most attentive listeners. Perhaps there was a little too much playing at a high pitch on the part of actors who did not do their best acting at such a pitch. Also the sudden crescendoes in acting intensity were sometimes unpleasantly jarring.

Nevertheless, *The Crucible* was certainly a very moving production and was characterized by the polish and freedom from amateurish blunders which we have come to associate with Professor Gregory's plays.

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Alma Frat Rushing, Too Little, Too Late, Shows Progress

Fraternity and sorority rushing are topics of perennial interest to many college students, whether they are members or independents. Groups vie with one another for members; competition sometimes becomes heated.

"To secure these rights governments are instituted among men," to keep this heat down to a boiling point, inter-fraternity and inter-sorority councils are instituted, rules are set up, and programs of some sort are instituted to bring outsiders to a knowledge of what it means to belong to one of the Greek societies.

Alma's women have been fairly active in planning a rushing program for the independent women. This writer is unqualified to review that topic; what concerns us here is the plight of the men.

Formal rushing for men at Alma has begun in the past with the fraternity smokers which are held in February. Following these smokers, fraternities vote on what persons they will "bid" for membership, and extend bids in chapel, which must be accepted before the person leaves chapel.

In between, however, no provision has been made for the independent to become acquainted with fraternity men except by visiting the houses and hearing whatever rumors may be dropped in his direction.

There was some talk last year of planning an organized rushing program for men, sponsored by the interfraternity council. This program has as yet failed to "click."

A step in the right direction has already been taken by the Interfraternity council. Between Christmas and semesters each of the three fraternities on campus will hold a banquet for rushees. Each of the groups will draw for dates, which will be January 3, 10, and 17. The fraternity smokers will be held after the beginning of second semester as traditionally planned.

This is a step in the right direction, but it comes too late. It is a commonly known fact that informal and sometimes misguided rushing has already taken place.

Before we progress further, let us say that this article is not meant to criticize—merely to suggest. The IFC has done a good job in the past to keep rivalries within bounds; what we need now, and what will certainly develop if the need is expressed strongly enough, is cooperation that will help to produce campus spirit. An example of this cooperative spirit has been seen in the comments made by the reporter for Delta Sigma Phi, congratulating various other Greek groups on their social events.

Further, for the many independent men who are interested in pledging next semester, an organized program presenting the frats in their true light is needed. Little of cooperative spirit is gained by what is told to an unsuspecting freshman behind the Ad Building or in some remote corner of Pioneer Hall.

Other campuses take the lead over us in discussing frat membership. At Valparaiso University in Indiana, for example, the IFC publishes a pledging booklet with rules for rushing and a history of each of the Greek organizations. One rule in force on the Valparaiso campus is that any independent visiting a fraternity house on the night of another fraternity's "smoker" or rushing party, is ineligible to pledge the fraternity whose house he visited. A period of two weeks is allowed for reporting violations of the rushing rules.

The Hope College Anchor reports that an annual rushing banquet is held, at which a representative of each fraternity gives a four or five minute talk on the history of his particular organization.

A controversy was recently reported in the Central Michigan Life. It seems that there had been a ruling, long unobserved, that first semester freshmen, transfer students, with less than sixty hours, and students on academic probation were prohibited from attending the smokers. The columnist at Central (known to some of the Alma community as Bill Franch, former Alma College debater) suggested that the rule be dropped, and commented that by allowing all students to attend the parties, a knowledge of the social societies would be gained at a time when no special pressure was being put on a person to join.

He further stated that "It seems quite snobbish to tell a fellow, 'You can't visit with us until we can bid for your pocket book.'"

"Unfortunately, there is a certain amount of jealousy between some fraternities. This has led to the short-sighted view that it is better to hurt someone else in the short-run than to help themselves in the long-run."

This is also the problem at Alma, though no special rule is at stake. We do not mean to criticize the IFC for their work here—we only attempt to encourage a program which would be more fair to all concerned.

Discuss Scholl's Short Story at Parnassians Meet

A short story by Tom Scholl entitled "The Revolt" was read by the author and discussed at the meeting of the Parnassians held Thursday, November 11. The group also made preliminary plans for the publication of the Pine River Anthology, college literary magazine.

Rev. Robert Woods will discuss some of his poems at the next meeting to be held Thursday, December 9.

The literary society recently adopted an amendment to their constitution permitting persons not among the faculty or student body of Alma College to be admitted to membership, on a majority vote of the members present at a meeting.

Students who are interested in submitting original writing for publication in the PRA should do so as soon as possible, according to an announcement made by president May Butrick.

Hughes' Piano Students to Play

On Tuesday, Dec. 7, the Music Department will present the two-piano students of Miss Frances Hughes in recital. Those in the class are: Elfrieda Beyer, Marjorie Fuller, Virginia Lake, Leona Lashaw, Janet McLeod, and Sally Souders.

The program, which will take place at eight-thirty in the Chapel, will include a variety of two-piano compositions, including: Brazilera from Scaramouche, by Milhaud; Rosenkavalier Waltzes by Strauss; Three Country Dances, arranged by Powell; March, op. 99, by Prokofieff, arranged by Lubushtuz; Vocalise by Rachmaninoff, arranged by Babin; and Short Story by Gershwin, arranged by Reiser.

THETAS HOLD "TREASURE ISLAND"

The Alpha Thetas and Delta Sigmas worked together in having the second annual "Treasure Island" open house, Friday, November 19th. Advertising was taken care of by Barbara Wisniewski, chairman; Elfrieda Beyer, Peggy Tinney, and Pat Smith. Jackie McAllister heads the decorations committee, along with Karin Abbott, and Genney Larb. Betty Anderson, Chairman, worked with Marilyn Mott, Jo Frederick and Shirley Morgan on entertainment. Refreshments were prepared and served by Julie Kehoe, chairman, Edna Williams, Joan Bush, Carrie Crain, Kay House, and Alyse Moody.

Congratulations go to Edna Williams and Elfrieda Beyer for their excellence performance in "The Crucible" last Wednesday and Thursday.

The next project to be undertaken is the Rummage sale which will be held Saturday, December 4th. The Thetas hope to make enough money to meet a semester furniture payment. They are all planning on a busy day. Helen Joynt Stevens will take charge. The patroness is also planning to help.

Kis WELCOME BACK CASTLE AND WILCOX

The Kappa Iotas are happy to have back with us Marilyn Castle and Michela Wilcox. They are sure looking chipper.

With the Greeks

Kappa Iotas rated the Sock Hop a great success and were glad that everyone had a good time.

They also thank Tom Manion for his efforts in helping them with the refreshments. This contributed much to the success of the dance.

PHIS CONGRATULATE DELTAS SIGS

Phi Phi Alphas wish to congratulate the Delta Sigmas on their open house and the Deltas on their Monte Carlo. Both were very good and we enjoyed attending them.

The Phis are putting on an open house on Saturday, December 4th after the Hillsdale game which is a home contest. They hope to see you all at the game to cheer the boys on, and then afterwards, everyone is welcome to visit the Phi house for a little refreshment and light entertainment.

One of their past members, Gerry Mayer, who is now attending Michigan State, now has his frat pin being worn by Irene Emerson. Congratulations to both.

Remember—all the men on campus are always welcome to stop over to see the Phis any time. The latch is always out, so just walk in.

DELTAS ANNOUNCE HOLLY HOUSE

The Brothers of Delta Gamma Tau wish to express our appreciation to all of you for making the

Monte Carlo the success that it was. It is hoped that it was enjoyed by everyone, and that it set fire to that spirit of optimism so necessary to happiness.

The next social event to be sponsored by the Deltas will be the Holly House. This is an open house in celebration of the Christmas spirit. There will be singing, dancing, and eating, and the house will be decorated for the occasion. The Holly House is an annual event for the frat and will be held on December 11th.

SIG PHIS SHOWER MRS. ART BROWN

Sigma Phis met at the home of Marge Fuller for their meeting, November 15. After the business was taken care of the girls brought out many small gifts for a surprise shower for Tricia Brown, their president. Among the gifts she received were a rolling pin, measuring cups, a gravy mixer, clothes pins, clothes line, spatulas, prongs, a sifter, and various other sundries. All were beautifully wrapped in paper bags and fit in with the "hard times" theme. Refreshments were then served.

Congratulations are in order for Irene Emerson who was recently pinned to Gary Mayer, a former Phi who at present is attending Michigan State.

The Sigma Phi team finished in a tie for third place in volleyball and we are looking forward for basketball to start.

COUNCIL MEET

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ed, or put on social probation, for drinking.

At Albion, the student council has no power in student discipline, and smoking is allowed only in specified areas of the campus. At Calvin college, student discipline resides in a faculty board. Minor problems go to this board, and serious problems are taken up by the faculty board.

At Hillsdale there is a dual probation system whereby a student on social probation is prohibited from attending social functions, and certain conduct will allow the student to attend two dances of his choice.

Discipline at Hope resides in a committee consisting of the college president, two deans, and president, vice-president, secretary and treasurer of the student council. This committee has the power of suspension or expulsion. On his first offense, a student goes to the president and deans; for the second offense he is called before the student committee.

Kalamazoo college has a judicial council made up of four students and faculty advisors, who decide on discipline problems, including drinking, and have the power to put a student on social probation for the first offense, and to expel for the second offense.

Under the heading of discipline problems, the group also discussed hours for women. At Adrian, the hours are similar to ours, with a twelve o'clock permission every other Wednesday. Calvin's hours are ten o'clock for all girls on week nights, twelve o'clock on Friday, and eleven o'clock on Saturday. Calvin college has no dress regulations for meals.

At Hillsdale, all freshmen must be in from 7:30 to 9:30 until mid-semester, after which they are granted 10:30 permission on weekdays, 11:00 permission on Friday, 12:00 permission on Saturday, and 11:00 on Sunday. If grades are good, women are granted three



Representatives of the student councils of Michigan church-related colleges are shown here as they gathered for a discussion in Van Dusen lounge Tuesday, November 16.

one o'clock permissions per semester.

Hillsdale students also dress for meals. Meals are not served.

A late minute system is in effect at both Hillsdale and Hope. At Hillsdale, each minute a woman is late must be made up by one-half hour earlier return the following evening.

Consider All-MIAA Admittance Program

The workshop also discussed the possibility of providing free admittance to students attending away games, upon presentation of their activity card. This plan will be discussed with the administrations of the various colleges and with the MIAA board.

To Meet Each Semester

Meetings of the group, which named itself the Michigan Inter-Student Council, or MISC, will take place each semester, with each college being represented by

three students. The chairman of the host council will be chairman of the group. The possibility of formal organization will be discussed at the next meeting to be held at Albion college.

Representatives attending the conference were from Adrian, Albion, Hillsdale, Hope, Olivet, Kalamazoo, Calvin, and Emmanuel Missionary College.

(Ed. Note: The group also considered chapel programs. This will be discussed in the next issue of the almanian.)

Photo Drive A Success

A note from Paula Bare, Scotsman editor, commends the student body on the fact that all but 19 students had their pictures taken. The Scotsman staff felt that this was remarkable cooperation in light of the fact that many more had previously failed to keep their appointments.

"Arnold"



By Bill Johnson

Noud Hopes He Is Wrong

Several basketball players, I am happy to report, along with a few of the more sports minded students have brought to my attention that, in their opinion, I am underestimating the basketball prospects on campus.

This is one time when I hope that I am wrong. However, as Sgt. Joe would say, "the facts are the facts." How an inexperienced team, such as the Scots are, can be expected to win 50% of its games is something I can't understand.

Granted that we have several fine newcomers and also that we players who are willing to put out the little extra, which separates a loser from a winner, nevertheless I feel that the student body should be aware that basketball teams like Rome, aren't built overnight.

The Scots will have to improve on the sorry road record of the club in recent years. Last year Alma turned in several excellent performances at home, the most notable being the 83-81 upset of Hope College, a team which finished high in the nation offensively, but the Scots were able to win but one game on a foreign floor.

There is an old axiom in sports "that anyone can win at home, but championships are made on the road."

The Scots have a tough 23 game schedule which will find them playing three new foes in Soo Tech, Michigan Tech, and Northern Michigan.

Basketball Schedule

- Dec. 1 Ferris*
- Dec. 4 Hillsdale
- Dec. 10 Olivet
- Dec. 14 Albion
- Jan. 5 Calvin
- Jan. 7 Soo Tech
- Jan. 8 Flint*
- Jan. 12 Ferris
- Jan. 15 Hope*
- Jan. 19 Kalamazoo
- Jan. 21 Michigan Tech*
- Jan. 22 Flint
- Jan. 27 Adrian*
- Jan. 29—Soo Tech*
- Feb. 2—Northern Michigan
- Feb. 5 Olivet
- Feb. 8 Albion*
- Feb. 10 Calvin*
- Feb. 12 Flint
- Feb. 16 Hope
- Feb. 18 Kalamazoo*
- Feb. 23 Adrian
- Feb. 25 Hillsdale*

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Gain Fifth Win over Adrian Team, 33-20

Powering their way past a stubborn Adrian College team 33-20, the Alma Scots gained their fifth win of the year. The Scots were in command throughout the entire game except for a brief period midway in the second quarter when the Bulldogs led.

The Scots opened the scoring early in the first period when Harold Brock, the Scots fullback, capped a 47 yard scoring drive by bouncing into the end zone from two yards out. Stolz's conversion attempt was wide and the Scots led 6-0. Another first quarter Alma drive sputtered and stalled on the Adrian 16 yard line.

The second period was only two minutes old when the Bulldogs ace flanker, Henry Hughes, 6'7" Inkster product, took a seventeen yard pass from Quarterback Joe Davis and squirmed his way 26 yards through the Alma secondary for the Bulldogs first score. Davis' extra point attempt was wide and the score was tied 6-6.

Minutes later Guard Bob Miller of the Bulldogs picked up a Scot fumble to give Adrian possession on the Alma 17 yard line. Jim Donavin, Adrian halfback, went 6 yards around end for the second Adrian score. Davis' extra point kick was good and the Bulldogs led 13-6.

The Scots however retaliated quickly. On the passing arms of Denny Stolz and Dick Ayling the Scots marched the kickoff back to the Adrian two yard line where Scot halfback Joe Coe slashed into the end zone to put the Scots back in the ball game.

Stolz's conversion made the score 13-13. Following the kickoff, on the first Adrian play from the scrimmage Joe Davis' pass was intercepted by Marv Raab, who made a spectacular catch of the pass, and then threatened his way 66 yards down the side lines to pay dirt. The conversion attempt was again wide and the Scots left the field with a 19-13 lead at half time.

Early in the third period the Scots put together a 53 yard scoring drive with the pay off play a 7 yard pitch from Quarterback Denny Stolz to Larry Park, who made many outstanding catches of Scot aerials during the course of the afternoon. Stolz's conversion was good and the Scots led 26-13.

Again it was Park early in the third quarter who provided the crowd with an amazing pass-catching performance taking a short pass from Stolz and sprinting 52 yards down the side line into pay dirt. Stolz converted to give the Scots a 33-13 lead.

With the Scot reserves playing most of the fourth quarter the Bulldogs scored with but a few minutes left in the game. After recovery of a Scot fumble on the 17 yard line a penalty gave the Bulldogs possession on the Alma 2 yard line. Jim Graffa went into

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Scots Thump Olivet Team

by John Laskarides
Paced by tremendous ground attack and the pin point passing of Quarterbacks Denny Stolz and Dick Ayling, Alma College Scots crushed Olivet 49-0 to wind up the Scots rugged ten game schedule.

Marv Raab, junior from Detroit, who was the state's leading scorer last year, led the Scots offensively, scoring two touchdowns and gained 183 yards rushing in just 7 attempts from scrimmage. The victory boosted the Scots up to an overall mark of 6 victories and 4 defeats.

Harold Brock, senior fullback from Detroit, opened the Scots scoring early in the first period by dashing 61 yards up the middle on a fullback draw play. Denny Stolz converted and the Scots led 7-0.

Scoring three times in the second quarter the Scots turned the game into a runaway. Doyle McIntosh snared a one yard pass from Denny Stolz for the Scots second marker. Stolz converted and the Scots led 14-0. Seconds later, following an Olivet fumble, Marv Raab broke off tackle, turned to the outside, and dashed 85 yards to pay dirt. Stolz's conversion attempt was wide and the score stood 20-0.

With a minute left in the first half, Dick Ayling, freshman quarterback from Pontiac, climaxed a 62 yard drive by passing 9 yards to Lcwell Schrum in the end zone. Again the conversion was wide and the Scots left the field with a comfortable 26-0 lead.

The third period was but two minutes old when Marv Raab put on a dazzling display by skirting his right end for 70 yards and a touchdown. Seconds later halfback Joe Coe, freshmen from Langsburg, made a brilliant interception of an Olivet pass, sprinting 16 yards for a touchdown. Ayling converted and the score was 39-0.

Midway in the fourth quarter Ayling found End Bob Evina alone on the Olivet 46 yard line and threw a perfect pass and Evina sprinted 46 yards for the Scots final touchdown. Ayling converted to give the Scots a 46-0 lead.

On three later occasions the Scots were inside the Olivet five yard line but elected to kick field goals in order to keep the score down. Of the three attempts only Raab's was successful and this wound up the Alma scoring.

Alma's extremely tough line limited Olivet to a mere 32 yards rushing and a net 115 yards passing and rushing. The Scots on the other hand completed 20 or 39 passes for 311 yards. The ground game picked up 323 rushing. The Scots amassed a total of 18 first downs to 6 for the losers.

the end zone for the Bulldogs and Davis converted to make the score 33-20 and the ball game ended with no further scoring.

The Scots played alert head-up ball most of the way, with good team play featured by good performances of Larry Park, Denny Stolz, Dick Ayling, Harold Brock, and Marv Raab who did the bulk of the Scots offensive work.

STATISTICS

	Alma	Adrian
First down rushing	7	3
First downs passing	8	5
Yards rushing	158	98
Yards passing	225	125
Passes attempted	26	22
Passes completed	14	11
Penalties	40 yds	20 yds
Punt average	24	35

Harriers Sixth; Siefker Heads '55 Squad

Bruce Siefker was chosen captain and most valuable player of the Alma cross country team following the MIAA cross country meet last Wednesday, and Alma high school runners were entertained by the college at a joint luncheon of college and high school runners held last week.

Alma placed sixth in the MIAA cross country meet held at Adrian. Each school was represented by seven runners. Alma set Bob Burge, Bruce Siefker, Jerry Rogers, Jim Fox, John Ryan, Dave Senkpiel, and Duane Aslyn who finished for Alma in that order. Chapman, an Albion runner, was first in the meet.

Finish League Competition at Adrian

Last Saturday the Harriers finished their league competition with a win over Adrian. The win

placed Alma sixth in the eight team circuit.

During their competition this year the Scots have encountered the best of running weather. Coach Skinner's boys have a two and five record for the past season, the wins being against Adrian and Olivet. The entire team is expected back next year, and Coach Skinner looks for a winning season.

There has been much competition among the Alma runners, with Bruce Siefker and Captain Bob Burge sharing first honors. The rest of the places have moved from person to person as the seconds were marked on early season times.

Skinner Maps Course

During the past year Coach Skinner mapped out a new course which cuts out most of the dusty

gravel road and the hill which is located west of the golf course. The new course starts at the goal posts of Bahlke field, continues around the baseball field, out the gate near the tennis courts, and then the former route is resumed. The course ends by running the first four-tenths of a mile again and finishes at the starting point.

Final League Standings

Team	Won	Lost
Albion	7	0
Kalamazoo	6	1
Calvin	5	2
Hillsdale	4	3
Hope	3	4
Alma	2	5
Adrian	1	6
Olivet	0	7

Hillsdale and Hope tied for third place in the MIAA meet held Nov. 16.

LITTLE MAN ON CAMPUS

by Dick Bibler



"Naw, he wasn't the hero of the game—he got his pants ripped off in the last play!"

MIAA to Consider Platoons

by John Laskarides

A proposal that the Michigan Inter-collegiate Athletic Association return to platoon football will be made next Tuesday when the league conducts its fall meeting at Alma College.

And there's a strong possibility that the state's foremost small college conference will adopt platoon substitution rules, according to some officials. Hillsdale and Alma definitely will vote for platoon football, and if two others join the motion will carry.

Last year the MIAA voted to liberalize the National Collegiate Athletic Association one platoon rule—substitutes were allowed to return to the game in the final four minutes of the first and third periods as well as the last four minutes of the second and fourth quarters. The vote to adopt this liberalized substitution rule was 5-1 in actual ballot, but the dissenting school, Albion, agreed to change its vote for the sake of unanimity.

Frank (Muddy) Waters, coach of Hillsdale league championship eleven, is definite about how Hillsdale will vote next Tuesday. "The big colleges claimed that one platoon ball was being adopted for the small colleges, but no one in any small college that I know of ever asked for one platoon rules. Small colleges need platoon football. That's the only way to play," Waters claims.

The same sentiments have been expressed by Lloyd Eaton, Alma College head coach, and many other small college men.

The final outcome will be decided next Tuesday at the league meeting at Alma College.

W.A.A. Announces Volleyball Wins

The independent first team in women's volleyball took first place in the season ending November 11, according to an announcement made today by the Women's Athletic Association. Alpha Theta and Kappa Iota were second and third, respectively.

The WAA has also initiated bowling season, and urges any men who are interested in bowling and pinsetting to come down to the Alma bowling alley on Friday afternoons.

Attend Federation Meeting
Marge Lyda, Gail Sutherland and Marilyn Mott, accompanied by Miss Kathleen Dillinger, attended the Athletic Federation of the Michigan College Women's Convention in Battle Creek, Saturday and Sunday, November 13 and 14.

Hope college was elected president of the convention and Alma was elected vice-president. Other schools attending were Albion, Adrian and Hillsdale.

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ACA Sends Team, Sponsors Service Announce Other Meetings, Projects

The Alma Christian Association sent a deputation team to Flint last night giving service held last night in Van Oum m lounge Other projects which Af A will sponsor in the near future are a Chnslma party for Mexican children and deputation teams to be sent to the Masonic home Meetings to be held in the near future will include a panel discussion, December 1, and the Christmas concert, December 8

ACA president, dim Hill was speaker at tin Thanksgiving service held last night in Van Dusen lounge At 6 15 student, gathered for this brief service.

Last Sunday, Don Diew. Harold Turner, Dick Harrison, Jim Coombc!, and Mary Dm Hartwick went as a deputation team to the Presbyterian church in Flint. Concert, Panel at Next Meetings

A panel discussion has been tentatively scheduled for the December I meeting, and will consist of Dis Miller. Dicks, and McKeef ery together with Rev Didier of the First Presbyterian church Students have been asked to submit topics which they would like discussed.

The Alma College A Cappella choir will present a concert of Christmas music at the ACA meet mg. December 8 This concert will take place in the college chapel at 7:30 p.m.

Delegate* to Attend Meeting Don Darling, ACA delegate and John Osborn will attend the Michigan Westminster Fellowship Intercollegiate Council meeting to be held at College House in East Dinsing, Saturday and Sunday, November 27-28 This council consists of representatives of Presbyterian and interdenominational groups on all of the campuses in Michigan.

Plan Christmas Party Tentative plans have also been made for the annua! Christmas party for Mexican children, sponsored jointly by the ACA and the Alma College Sociology department. It is expected that approximately one hundred children will attend.

Professor Edgar will talk on the methods of trapping small mammals at the November 30 meeting of the Biology club.

Business Students Provide Display for Journalists

Three members of Dr. Stephen Meyer's Methods for Teaching Commercial Education class, Fran Booth, Mr. Lloyd Eaton, and Jim Wagar. prepared charts and posters displaying duplicating machines. the various types, their advantages, and uses, which were displayed in conjunction with the High school Journalism Day, November 20 Dr Meyer aLo invited representatives from various duplicating machine companies to come at that time and display their machines.

Dr Moyer, as head of the Department of Business Administration. attended the Michigan Consumer. Finance Association's 38th annual convention at the Hotel Statler in Detroit, Wednesday, November 3.

The keynote address was given by Dr. Ernest A. Dauer, Director of Consumer Credit Studies, of the Household Finance Corporation Dr Dauer's presentation wa entitled, 'Consumer Finance and Future Economic Growth.' He point*d out that the primary purpose of a lending company is not to lend to as many people as possible and to collect the interest derived therefrom, but to provide for the community.

Figueroa Speaks to Companeros

Los Buenos Companeros met Nov. HI at the home of Dr. Grace Nichols, sponsor of the group of Spanish students.

The program for the evening was highlighted by an interesting and informative talk by Marcos Figueroa, of Venezuela. lie informed the members of interesting facts concerning his country- its geography, history and politics.

Club plans for the future include a traditional Spanish Christmas dinner and the singing of carols in Spanish, to acquaint the Buenos Companeros with a phase of the culture of this colorful land.

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To Invite Students To Music Day Dec. 4

On December 4. the Music Department, in conjunction with the Office of Admissions, will sponsor a high school "music day."

High school seniors from central Michigan who are interested in the study of music have been invited, and a series of events has been planned to acquaint them with the college and its music activities.

The schedule for the day will include: an opening convocation, at which the choir will sing; a tour of the campus; luncheon at Van Dusen; discussion groups covering such areas of music as vocal piano, instrumental, organ, band and elementary and secondary teaching; these will be followed by a concert by the College Kiltie and Concert Band. The day's events will conclude with a program by a guest artist.

Members of the music faculty

will lead the discussion groups. Other faculty members participating will be Mrs. Esther Vreeland. Dean of Women, Mr. William Stielstra. Dean of Men, and Dr

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