

## Alma Scots Make Baseball History

### First To Qualify In New Tourney

Alma's Scots, by virtue of clinching the MIAA baseball title May 14 with a 5 to 2 win over Olivet, became the first qualifier for the first official Michigan collegiate baseball championship ever held. The Scots will be one of four teams in the Michigan NAIA state tournament at Battle Creek, May 28 and 29.

The other three teams will be selected from the top Michigan teams in the IAC and the independents with a possible chance that the tournament might dip into the MIAA for a second team if its record is better than those of the independents.

Central Michigan is favored to represent the IAC, although it hasn't cinched the honor at press time and Eastern Michigan must still be considered despite its season opening defeats by the Chippewas.

A double-header will be played Wednesday May 23 beginning at 5:15 p.m. with the consolation and championship games forming another twin bill at the same hour on Thursday, May 29.

The games will be played in Bailey stadium, site of the "amateur world series" of the American amateur baseball congress, sandlot counterpart of the NAIA among colleges.

A special admission of 50c for students of any NAIA college is offered upon presentation of student activity identification.

### Business Award Goes to Juilleret

Miss Judy H. Juilleret, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Juilleret, 557 Pine, Harbor Springs and senior at Alma College has been announced as the winner of the UBFA-SMEAD Award for outstanding achievement in the field of Business Education. The award was presented to Miss Juilleret by Mr. Stephen Meyer, Jr., Head of the Business Administration Department, in the presence of Dr. Robert D. Swanson, president of the College.

The award consists of a special leather covered binder with the winner's name imprinted thereon, containing a year's issues of the United Business Education Association FORUM, a national professional magazine, and a year's professional membership in the United Business Education Association. The Smead Manufacturing Company of Hastings, Minnesota, manufacturers of filing systems and supplies, sponsors this award in cooperation with the United Business Education Association and the National Association for Business Teacher Education.

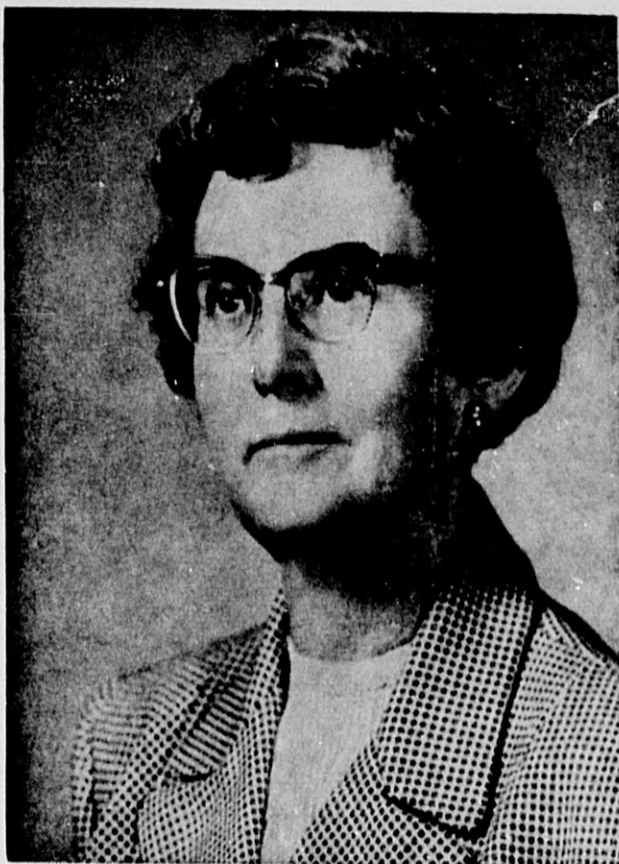
Miss Juilleret has been active in Choral Union, Kiltie Band, Alma Christian Association, Future Teachers Association, Women's Glee Club and Scotsman (the college yearbook) on the Alma College campus. She plans to teach Commercial subjects in the Long Beach, California, School system, more efficient.

### Ludtke New Council Pres.

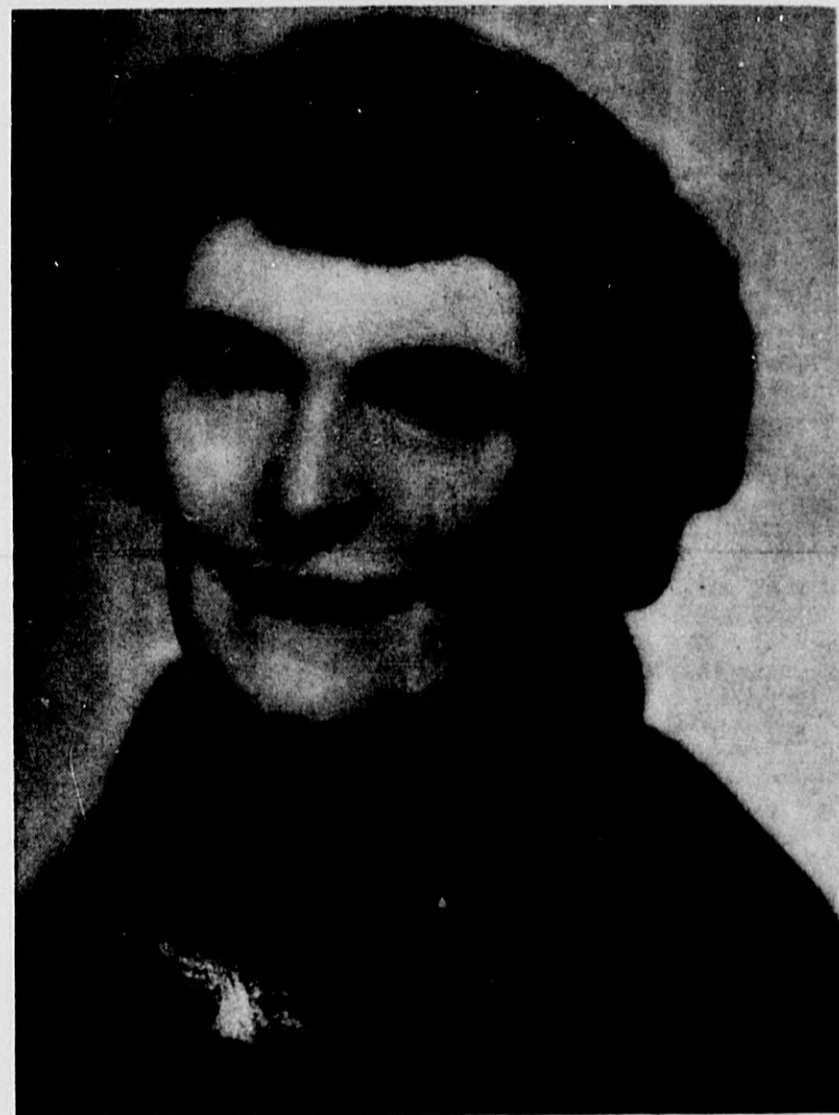
At the weekly meeting of the student council last Tuesday night, the following student council officers were elected:

President, Bob Ludtke; Vice President, Steve Gills; Recording Secretary, Judy Eldred; Treasurer, Bob Wollard; Corresponding Secretary, Pat Sweeney; Publicity Chairman, Myrtle Cuellar; Michigan Association of College Student Governments Representative, Bill Wilson.

The officers for next year will be installed at the annual student council banquet which will be this coming Tuesday evening in Van Dusen Commons.



Miss Enna Pigg



Dr. Florence Steward

### Drs. Steward, Miller, Miss Pigg Retiring

Dr. Robert D. Swanson, President, Alma College, announces the retirement of three faculty members, effective July 1.

Dr. Florence Steward, professor of Sociology will retire after 33 years at Alma. Dr. Steward received the A.B. degree from Cincinnati University; the A.M., from Radcliffe College and the Lit.D., from Alma. She studied two years at Columbia University, attended Chicago University and the University of Geneva, Switzerland. During the summer of 1935, '36 and '42 she was on the graduate faculty of the New York School for Social Research. Dr. Steward has been a member of the American Association of University Professors, the American Association of University Women, and the American Association of Deans of Women.

She also served for approximately ten years on the American Anthro-Biological Society, the American Ethological Society, American Association for the Advancement of Science, American Academy of Political and Social Science, the American Sociological Society and Modern Language Society. She is a charter member of the International Society of Mental Hygiene and the International Society of Individual Psychology.

Miss Enna Pigg has been with us as Assistant Professor of Education since 1951. She received her B.S. from Central Michigan State College and her M.A. from the University of Chicago.

In her career as an educator, she has brought us a wealth of experience in many fields of Education. She has imparted this experience in a meaningful manner to the many students who have studied under her in the past seven years.

Rather a modest woman, she is not seen too much on the campus, but rather spends much time in preparing for her classes and in keeping up to date in her field. This, when coupled with her actual classroom duties, keeps her occupied.

Before coming here, she taught at Marshall, Missouri, State Teacher's College, Bloomsbury, Pennsylvania, Kindy-Pri Training School of Oberlin, Ohio, and Bowling Green State University at Bowling Green, Ohio.

She is a member of Kappa Delta Pi, Delta Gamma, the American Association of University Women, and the American Association of University Professors.

#### Dr. Ross Miller

Probably one of the most unassuming names to be found in the name of a town is that of Chicora, Pennsylvania; but no more so than a man who was born there, Dr. Ross Miller, the son of Eli and Emily Miller. He was the youngest of three children including two sisters. Says Dr. Miller, "They needed a baby brother to raise them!"

Dr. Miller's academic career began at the age of five in Butler, Pennsylvania, and he continued his education at the Allegheny high school.

When the family moved to Springfield, Ohio, he attended Wittenberg College. Upon graduation he held an A.B. with honors in the Classics. In 1911, Mr. Miller went to Oklahoma A. & M. where he held an assistant professorship in German and Latin until 1913. He then returned to Ohio

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### Phi Sigma Phi Initiates Ten New Honorees

Phi Sigma Phi, the scholastic honor society on campus, held its formal initiation Tuesday night, May 20, in Van Dusen Commons. Initiated into the society were: Marie Boyce, Christ Goutis, Carl Hall, Judith Juilleret, Janet Kerby, Patricia Sowers, Jean Molyneux, Richard Heuschele, Nancy Johnson and Richard Marzolf. Present also were last year's members Carol Blanck and Kenneth Magnuson.

### Sue Edgar New WSGA President

The women students of Alma held an election Monday evening to decide whom the Women's Self Governing Association officers for next year will be. Sharon Beardsley was elected president, Sue Edgar, vice-president, Pat Sweeney, recording secretary, Mary McCall, treasurer.

A proposal to amend the present constitution was also made by the executive committee. This amendment would change the name of the association to W.A.S., to be similar to the national Intercollegiate Womens' Association of Students to which Alma's coeds belong. Also suggested were separate presidents in each residence hall to make governing

### Moreen Wins Tri-Beta Award

Dr. Lester Eyer, Chairman of the Department of Biology announced the winner of the annual faculty-sponsored Tri-Beta Award at the Society's last meeting for the year on May 15. The recipient, Phyllis Moreen, was chosen by students and biology faculty as the member who has best fulfilled the purposes of the Tri-Beta Honorary Society. These purposes are threefold: (a) to stimulate sound scholarship; (b) to promote dissemination of scientific truth; and (c) to encourage investigation in the life sciences. Miss Moreen has served as historian for the group, and was first place winner of the Frank G. Brooks national essay award. She has a graduate teaching fellowship in zoology at the University of Michigan where she begins study next September.

The meeting, at which the winner was made known, was held at Edgar's Acres. After a campfire picnic Bernie Brisbois, this year's president, gave a short preview of the planned program for next year. Mr. Knapp, who was inducted into the U.S. Army this week, was given counsel on how to get ahead—ahead of sergeants, mostly. A softball game in Edgar's wheat field topped off the evening. It might be mentioned that neither the wheat nor the members will be the same again.

It isn't half as far from virtue to vice as vice versa.

All library materials are due on or before June 4. All library fines must be settled by June 4. If this record is not cleared by June 4, names will be submitted to the Registrar's office for withholding of grades...

### Barlow Trophy Awarded to Henry Bova

#### Honors Convocat'n Begins Week Of Senior Activities

The coveted Barlow Trophy, given by Mr. Joel Barlow (class of '29) of Washington, D.C., each year at the honors convocation, was awarded this morning to Henry Bova.

Henry "Hank" Bova, of Garden City, Michigan, graduates this year with an overall academic average of 2.3. A French major, he is the recipient of a Woodrow Fellowship as well as being an electee to Who's Who Among College and University Students. He is a member of the student council and a residence hall advisor. Active in the Alma Christian Association, he has also participated in choral singing and athletics.

Awarded each year, the Barlow Trophy goes to a member of the senior class who is picked by a faculty and student council ballot on the basis of scholarship, character and campus leadership.

According to directions from Mr. Barlow, the trophy is to be awarded to the outstanding member of the class, either male or female.

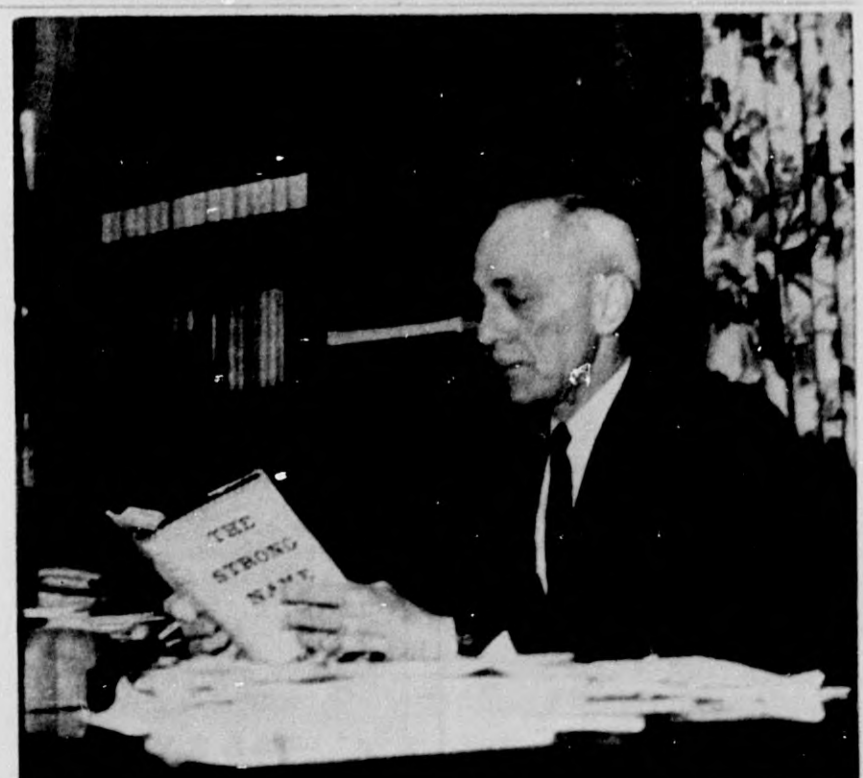
An eligible student should be in the top 10% of the class scholastically, altho of paramount importance, scholarship is "by no means the only consideration," according to Mr. Barlow's letter.

"Almost equally important should be the participation of the student in college activities, such as student council, almanian, (Scotsman), debating, oratory, glee club or choir, college class offices, religious activities of the college and community, dramatics and athletics."

"In other words," the letter states, "in weighing these criteria or accomplishments the award should be made to the student, not because he is the valedictorian or salutatorian, for instance, but because in addition to these scholastic achievements, he has made a real contribution to the life of the college."

Mr. Barlow's recommendations make it clear that the award could conceivably go to a student ranking fourth or fifth in the class "who has been an integral part of the college life...."

Mr. Barlow also stresses that "... contribution to the life of the college should not be measured to any extent by popularity."



Dr. Ross Miller

## WITH THE GREEKS

## Delt Sigs, Sig Phi's Elect Officers for Coming Year; New Flagpole at Delt House

### Sigma Phi

The Sig Phi had a formal meeting Monday night, and the main business was the election of officers for next fall. Lou Ada Bosquette will be returning to the Alma Campus after a semester at Merrill-Palmer School in Detroit, and will wield the gavel as President. Serving as her vice-president will be Judy Eldred. Nancy Fashbaugh will be recording the minutes, with Kay King managing the correspondence. Judy Arft will be signing the checks and collecting dues, and the office of chaplain is in the hands of Margaret Ulch now.

Sorority weekend starts Friday and the sorority will motor to Crystal Lake for a holiday before exams.

Team members Judy Arft and Marie Boyce represented the Sig Phi's at the championship softball game on Campus Day. The Sig Phi team itself finished up the season by winning over the Thetas, 14-12.

Wishes for a wonderful summer are sent to the students at Alma and best wishes to the campus organizations for a successful year in '58-'59.

### Delta Gamma Tau

Last Saturday a first class carpenter came over to the white house on Center street and put in a much-needed door in the house. The Deltis were taking advantage of their faculty auction purchase of three hours of labor from Dr. Hawley, Dean of men. On Monday, a Serenade was held at Gel-

ston Hall with the flaming Delta Gamma Tau letters making another public appearance. Tuesday afternoon there was a general house cleanup. We invite all students to notice our new flagpole and its red and blue flag.

### Delta Sigma Phi

The brothers of Delta Sigma Phi elected new officers last week and they are as follows: Mike Leonard, President; Ken Harper, Vice President; Lou Goscker, Secretary; Doug Bartlett, Treasurer; Bob Beltz, Sargent at Arms; and Bob Weinburger, House Manager.

Members of the Interfraternity Council next fall will be: Mike Leonard, Lou Goscker, Dick Heuschele, and Jim Pyle. Mike Leonard has since been chosen president of the I.F.C. for the coming fall semester.

Much work is now being done on the lawn and landscaping at the house. New shrubs have been purchased and have helped beautify the lawn. Plans are being made at present, for a work weekend this summer, when the brothers will meet. This weekend will be spent on brushing and painting at the house.

The formal went over very well this year. The varied arrangements by the Playboys made the evening very enjoyable.

The fraternity is working hard to improve its standing on desegregation. The brothers hope they will be able to work out a solution for the betterment of all groups concerned. Mike Leonard and Ken Harper will attend the National Convention this summer, with hopes of drawing a solution to the present problem.

The fraternity would like to congratulate the varsity baseball squad for turning in another traditional Alma championship. They feel this is a well deserved honor.

Since this being the last edition of the Almanian, for the current school year, Delta Sigma Phi would like to wish everyone a fine vacation, and hope to see you all back again next year.

The fellow with an explosive temper often gets all banged up.



"... IT'S CALLED THE KERYGMA ..."

## Retiring

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to begin seminary training. Upon completion of his thesis entitled "Dante and Aquinas," he received his masters degree in English from Wittenberg in 1915. A year later he received a B.D. from Hamma Divinity School of the United Lutheran Church, Springfield, Ohio.

Dr. Miller then sent two letters; one to the A.E.F. requesting service as a chaplain, and the other to the YMCA that he might find a position as a secretary. He had already decided that he would respond to the first reply. The next year found him serving in the capacity of Chaplain in the A.E.F.

The following year he went to Shiloh, Ohio as a minister in the Lutheran Church, where he met Miss Beatrice Beal, better known as Mrs. Ross Miller. He was waiting to get a call... and he did, from this church. As a matter of fact it was the only one that he did receive at that time. Miss Beal had just finished her undergraduate work at Oberlin College and was looking for a school to teach in. Her good friend and she both had offers in other towns; but they were hoping to sign contracts in order that they might continue their friendship and teach in the same school. Then came offers from Shiloh for both girls. Needless to say they accepted, for Ross Miller and Beatrice Beal became Mr. and Mrs. "It was inevitable for Dr. Miller and me, since we ate at the same boarding house."

They now have two sons; Ross Livingston who is with the Southern New England Bell Telephone Company, and Richard Alan who is working towards a degree in Economics at Yale.

Mr. Miller received an A.M. in Psychology at Harvard University in 1922. From there he went back to Wittenberg College as the Dean of Men where he stayed until 1926.

In 1927 a doctorate in psychology was bestowed upon him at the University of Edinburgh, Scotland. During the same year he served a period as minister of the Scottish Church in Paris, France.

Then Dr. Miller went to Wittenberg and stayed there for the next ten years as Professor of Bible and Religion.

In 1937 he became the minister of the Covenant Presbyterian Church of Springfield, Ohio. While there he served as the Moderator of the Dayton Presbytery, and as chairman of committees for Bills and Overtures, also Ministerial Relations and Pulpit Supply, along with membership on the Presbytery Committee on Christian Education. He was chairman of the Committee on Examination of Candidates for the Ministry as well.

His church grew in membership from about 1,000 to 1,400; while the debt was reduced from \$168,-

000 to \$20,000. There were 1,093 accessions of which about half were by profession of faith.

In 1946 he went to Jamestown College as a Professor of Bible and Religion as well as Director of Personal Counseling; Chairman, Fargo Presbytery, committee on National Missions and chairman of the North Dakota Inter-church Committee on Recruiting and Training Men for Ministry in Rural Churches.

In September, 1951 he came to Alma as the Dean of Chapel and head of the Department of Religion.

Shortly after he came here Dr. Miller became pastor of the Emerson Presbyterian Church whose attendance since has more than doubled along with numerous physical improvements to the building.

While here he has served as chairman of the Committee on Examination of Candidates for the Ministry in the Saginaw Presbytery and on Michigan Synod's Committee on Candidates for the Ministry. He will be one of the two commissioners to the General Assembly in Pittsburg from the Saginaw Presbytery, and a convener of the Committee on Elections.

In his varied but full career there are several events which stand out in his memory. Probably the most prominent was crossing the submarine infested Atlantic Ocean during the first World War as he was enroute to serve as a Chaplain in the A.E.F. at a time when General Pershing was sending out an S.O.S. for Chaplains because of their desperate need.

Then again he will never forget Le Mans, France on Armistice Day. There were perhaps ten bands in the city and all had turned out in jubilation. Pressure that had built up over terrifying war years was finally, all at once, released.

One of the most beautiful experiences of his academic career took place at the University of Edinburgh in 1928. In a simple ceremony he knelt before the Praefectus who simply placed a John Knox hat upon his head and then removed it. In this act a Ph. D. in psychology had been bestowed upon him.

A brief biographical sketch such as this cannot possibly pretend to include all the events of Dr. Ross Miller's career. It cannot be a dedication; for he is a living dedication to the very highest Principles. Rather, we would say humbly and sincerely, "Thank you for sharing with us your Faith and your convictions. You will never be alone to leave Alma College completely; for as long as we remember Alma College, we will remember you, Dr. Ross Miller."

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This squad of Alma college baseball players kept the string of MIAA championships alive for the Scots this spring by winning the title for the eighth straight time, posting an 11-3 record in so doing. Members of the team, left to right: Front row—Bob Hradsky, Rod DeYoung, Tom Taber, captain Dan Jakubiszyn, Kim Plutschuck,

Carl Jacobson, Roy Graham, Dave Peters and Bob Hill. Middle row—Bruce Johnson, Ralph Ederer, Les Woodruff, George Dice, Jim Norihrup, Ken Clay, Tom Vaillacour and Pat Brady. Top row—Coach Bill Carr, Ron Murray, Bob Sarkozy, Bob Seawright, Gary Belleville, Terry Ebright, George Edgar and manager Bill Westhouser.

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**Schedule And Instructions - 1958 Commencement Activities**

Reprinted below are the schedule and instructions for this year's commencement activities as released to the seniors earlier.

- MONDAY—May 26—10:00 a.m. Senior Chapel—Dunning Chapel.  
THURSDAY, June 5  
8:30 a.m. President's Breakfast for Seniors—Van Dusen Commons.  
10:30 a.m. Commencement Rehearsal—Dunning Chapel.  
6:15 p.m. Senior-Faculty Banquet—Van Dusen Commons.  
8:00 p.m. Farewell to Buildings—begins at Tyler Auditorium.  
Communion Service immediately following Farewell—Dunning Chapel.  
FRIDAY, JUNE 6  
8:00 p.m. Choir Concert—Dunning Chapel.  
9:00 p.m. President's Reception (Seniors, Parents & Friends)—President's Home.  
SATURDAY, JUNE 7  
10:00 a.m. Alumni Council—Van Dusen Commons Lounge.  
10:00 a.m. Board of Trustees—Reid-Knox Memorial Room.  
11:30 a.m. Commencement Luncheon—Van Dusen Commons (Service until 1 p.m.)  
2:00 p.m. Commencement—Bahlke Field.

- INSTRUCTIONS:  
1. All seniors and faculty are expected to be present for Commencement Services unless excused by the President.  
2. Seniors renting gowns are asked to pick them up not later than Thursday, May 22, at Varsity Shop—return them immediately after Commencement Services to Tyler Auditorium.  
3. Honors Convocation—Faculty meet in Choir room and Seniors in Basement of Dunning Chapel by 9:40 a.m. to line up for processional.  
4. Senior Breakfast—The President and his wife traditionally host this event at which each senior tells of his future plans. Please let Mrs. Swanson know if you cannot attend.  
5. Commencement Rehearsal—Includes instructions for seating, marching, etc. those required to attend are: President, Dean of the College, Faculty Marshal, Student Marshal, seniors and faculty members presenting candidates for honorary degrees.  
6. SENIOR-Faculty Banquet—Served buffet style and is Mr. Manion's culinary art at its best. Each senior may bring one guest (excluding underclassmen) provided Mr. Manion is notified in advance. Four seniors are chosen by the class to summarize the highlights of the college years of the class of '58.  
7. Farewell to Buildings—Conducted by Senior Class with seniors and faculty in academic costume. A short speech or poetry, both serious and humorous, is given before each building as the seniors make the rounds for the last time. Faculty and other students are invited to follow the senior procession.  
8. Communion Service—Immediately follows the procession and will be held in the Dunning Chapel—Open to all adults who wish to participate.  
9. Choir Concert—Presented especially for the seniors and their guests. All are cordially invited to attend.  
10. President's Reception—Informal affair and an excellent opportunity for parents and friends of seniors to meet the President and the staff.  
11. Commencement Luncheon—Complimentary to seniors and their parents. Each senior to receive three tickets and each faculty member to receive two tickets by calling for them at the President's Office. Additional tickets may be secured from the Business Office in advance: \$1.25 for adults, 50¢ for children.  
12. Commencement Procession—Forms in Tyler Auditorium at 1:30 p.m. Please be there promptly. Dress for the procession should be in keeping with formality of academic garb; men should wear white shirts, dark suits, dark socks and shoes; women should wear dark shoes, low or medium heels, and no flowers or conspicuous jewelry should be worn. On recessional march please do not break the line until it has passed out of Bahlke field.  
13. In case of rain—Commencement will be held in the Phillips' Gymnasium, Alma High School. Faculty and seniors will line up on the first floor, Junior High, Use Downie Street entrance.

A guy on the radio was interviewing people from the audience and he came across a fellow who said he was a magician.  
"You're a magician, eh?" he said. "What's your best trick?"  
"My best trick is sawing a woman in two."  
"Is that a difficult trick?"  
"Oh, no. I learned it as a child."  
"Do you come from a large family?"  
"Yes," said the magician, "as a matter of fact I have eight half-sisters."

**Tennis Ends**  
The Alma College tennis team came in fourth place May 17 at the MIAA Field Day. Mr. Muhrum, coach, said that the whole team did a good job.

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If, however, we are going to preach democracy, then we are going to have to defend it instead of "pussyfooting" with the world fascists, who are no more favorable than the communists. The United States can expect increasing difficulty with our foreign friends should we continue speaking out of both sides of our mouths.

The courage of Vice President Nixon was indeed exemplary, but that, alone, will not win friends for the U.S. Perhaps friendship with the world is not what we are looking for. Instead, it may be respect. Whatever we desire, it will come only with positive action and not "wishy washy" words.

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## POLLY QUIPS

(Political Quips)  
 by RALPH BURNEY

Another college year comes to a close and yours truly will spend an interesting summer, consisting mainly of flogging his wife and children.

We have heard that a certain professor is as happy to see us leave town as the South Americans were to have Nixon come home.

A note to graduating seniors. Don't cry on my shoulders! I haven't got a job either.

Now as we close this little gem in a din of thunderous applause, one thing needs to be said. As Gen. MacArthur so aptly put it, "I shall return". It is hoped that it won't take us as long as it did MacArthur. See you next year!

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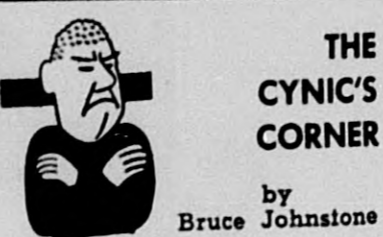
All students who desire employment on the campus in the 1958-59 school year must complete a work application card in the personnel office before final examinations. Faculty members and Saga Foods have been requested to select their student employees from the list of students on file in our office.

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Students will have their work evaluated by their employers this Spring. This will identify those students who are especially responsible and provide recommendations for future employment. If you have questions about this procedure you may contact the Dean of Men.

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The seven-week term for college students begins June 23 and continues through August 17. Students will attend classes 1-1/2 hours a day, four days a week, Monday through Thursday. Classes will be held 4-5:30 pm or 8:30-10:00 pm, or hours can be arranged to fit the student's schedule. Three terms of dramatic work will be covered in the summer course.

The new theatre building incorporates all of the new ideas in modern theatre production, with recording facilities and a revolving stage. The course covers speech, play production, lighting, costumes, scenery construction, properties, make-up, radio and TV techniques—the professional techniques of theatre and the know-how of play production.

At the same time, the theatre is a "tool" through which the students learn to help himself. As he probes into the character of a play, he discovers more about himself and those around him; he develops emotional and mental discipline, at the same time acquiring poise, gaining self-confidence, and improving his speaking ability.

Further information and catalogues are available by writing Will-O-Way Apprentice Theatre, West Longlake Road, Bloomfield Hills, Michigan, or by calling Celia Merrill Turner, the director, at MIDwest 4-4418.



... for in Thee do I trust; cause me to know the way wherein I should walk... — (Psalm 143, 8.)

When we seek Our Father's guidance in all we do or hope to do, surrendering in love our will to His, praying not once but many times daily for His direction and then obeying without question, we have the wonderful assurance that we will be doing what is right — what is best for all concerned.

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## Dr. Dicks to Leave College

To Head Phil.  
 Dept. at Parson

The resignation of Dr. Claude D. Dicks, head of the department of philosophy, was accepted by President Robert D. Swanson, it was announced this week.

Dr. Dicks came to Alma College in 1952 as head of the department of Philosophy and Psychology.

He assumes new duties at Parsons College (Iowa) as head of the philosophy department and head of the humanities division in September. The four division heads at Parsons serve with the Dean as the Permanent Academic Council.

Dr. Dicks received the AB degree from the University of Manitoba, the BD degree from United College-Seminary, Canada and the PhD degree in religion from the University of Chicago. At the moment, his work toward the PhD in higher education and administration is nearly completion.

He was recently elected to the International Commission for the Study of Patristics. He has read research papers at the National Association of Biblical Instructors and the National Society of Biblical Literature and Exegesis.

During the past six years in the Alma area, Dr. Dicks has served in the pulpits of various Michigan churches as well as serving on the committees of Saginaw Presbytery of the Presbyterian Church. He was chairman of the committee on candidates for the Gospel ministry during the year 1956-1957.

## At Alma College Recital Sunday

The Alma College Music Department will present a high school division recital at 3:00 p.m. Sunday, May 25, in Dunning Chapel. The following program will be presented:

A La Bien Aimee Valse ... Schuett-Weybright  
 Karen Tedhams  
 Swing Low, Sweet Chariot ... arr. Fredrich  
 Richard Thompson  
 Pastel Minuet ... Paradis-Weybright  
 Lucille Anderson  
 Little Jack Horner ..... Diack  
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 Tu Lo sai ..... Torelli  
 Suzanne Davies  
 "Daphne, All Thy Radiant Beauty" ... Mozart  
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 In Maytime ..... Speaks  
 Carolyn Thrush  
 The Children's Letter to the United  
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## 36 Seniors Placed

A total of 36 seniors have been placed either in teaching or in general positions so far this year, according to information released this week by Harlan McCall, director of the college placement office.

A complete listing is given below:

### Teachers Early Elementary

Marie Boyce, Lakeview Schools, St. Clair Shores teaching the 6th grade; Gail Sutherland, Lakeview Schools, St. Clair Shores teaching the 5th grade; Elsie Huesel, Lakeview Schools, St. Clair Shores teaching the 2nd grade; Del Hahn, Alma Public Schools, Alma teaching the 5th grade; Elsie Huesel, Milan Public Schools, Milan teaching the 4th grade; Marrion Isherwood, Fraser Public Schools, Frazer teaching the 1st grade; Sandra Markham, Livonia Public Schools, Livonia teaching the 1st grade; Janet Osborn, Stockbridge, Public Schools, Stockbridge teaching the 3rd grade; Wendy Smith, Clarkston Public Schools, Clarkston teaching the early elementary; Janet Jackson, Stelton Public Schools, Stilton, New Jersey teaching Music elementary; Ann Bradley Fitzgerald Public Schools, Van Dyke teaching later elementary; Sue Ann Richards, Alma Public Schools, Alma teaching Kindergarten.

### Teachers Advanced Grades

Richard Alyng, Pontiac P. S. teaching coaching and history; Mary Jane Beck, Ovid P. S. teaching English and French; Mrs. Mary Lou Cross, Lakeview schools, St. Clair teaching English and journalism; Mary Ann Hagley, Frazer P. S. teaching commercial courses; Robert Hill, Carson City P. S. teaching P. E., coaching and speech; Fredrick Eimmer, Bridgeport P. S. teaching general science and math; Tom Johnson, Pontiac P. S. teaching business courses; Janet Kirby, Caseville P. S. teaching home economics and Spanish; Robert Ruggles, Grant P.S. teaching Spanish and math; John Scott, New Baltimore P. S. teaching history; Gaylord Snyder, Alma P. S. teaching art; Robert Atkins, Redford Union teaching English and journalism; Isabel Coubrough, Berkley P. S. teaching English; Judy Juilleret, Long Beach P. S., Long Beach, California teaching commercial courses; Margaret Maneese, New Baltimore P. S. teaching home economics; Ann Reavey, Ontonagon P. S. teaching girls P. E. and English.

### General Placement

Harry Anderson, General Motors, Engineering division; Wayne Elowsky, J. C. Penney's Co., sales work; Shirley Colby, either the Bank of Ann Arbor or the University of Michigan in accounting; La Deana Munsell, Eastern Airlines, as a stewardess; Wayne McDowell, Firestone Tire & Rubber Co., credit work; Tom Conlin, Saga Foods Service; Darwin Johnson, U. S. Army; Joe Lindsay, Haynes Stillite Co., engineering and maintenance.

# *Parnassians'*

## LITERARY SUPPLEMENT

To The Almanian

SPRING 1958

### by way of introducing

the work of a group called the Parnassians, we present this sheet. The Parnassians are people interested in creative writing: fiction, drama, poetry, and the essay. They also indulge in incidental opinions on music and art. Meeting informally on campus or at an individual's home, the group consists of students, ex-students, graduate students, the mothers of students, a student who is a mother, a dean's wife who by all appearances will soon be the mother of a future student, wives of students, students who are wives, and professors of students. The group, rather pointedly, is student centered, wishes to make its major appeal to students, and invites the interested student to attend a meeting—and subsequent meetings if the first exposure warrants it. More than any other one person, Ruth Phillips has been the source of energy and enthusiasm behind the Parnassians; through her your queries or reflections on the material printed below will be welcomed by the entire group.

#### THE WASP

Zitt, zitt, zitt against the ceiling  
The long black body hits.  
Wings stiff, trilling,  
Zitt—again he hits.  
And now he stops and rests.  
Tense quietness; no sound.  
Then—zitt, zitt, zitt—  
The long black body hits  
Again! Zitt.

—Jean Saint

#### LINES TO A FELLOW POET

Had I not been certain that your  
Connections were the best  
(Even I know that the Creator is one  
Of our first families)  
I should not have clung to you  
(But briefly clinging, lest I  
Be burned by so strong a current)  
And by that clinging, come alive;  
To leave you, surely, none the less  
Me to revive.

—Ruth Phillips

#### I SAW A COW

I saw a cow with two heads.  
One was licking the nexi cow in the row;  
The other was looking where the legs should go.  
I saw a cow with two heads.  
One was licking and wanted to continue;  
The other was determined that the legs should go.  
I went toward home,  
And while walking there on railroad tracks,  
I saw a small boy  
With yellow teeth in dirty corn bread,  
With gummy black hair needing cutting,  
And I felt like a two-headed cow.

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## The Stoic

Once upon a time there was a Stoic. He wasn't always a Stoic—he used to be a pretty fine fellow. Maybe you knew him.

He liked to sing harmony and tell a good story — even whacked his thigh after a particularly good one. And when the occasion demanded it, he thoroughly enjoyed blowing his top.

Paradoxically enough, this fine fellow also revelled in a good brooding session now and then. That was his Achilles' heel.

One day he picked up a book and read these words: "Tolerance and self-sacrifice lead to Understanding." Now this fine fellow had heard of Understanding from his father, and suffering a tardy flashback, was heard to say, "What's good enough for my father . . . ." and let it go at that. Or so it seemed.

He kept the phrase close like a lady-love's lock and said the words to himself whenever time hung heavy; and the more he said them, the heavier time hung, until he and time were suspended in midair.

Everyone knows it's difficult to enjoy life in a state of suspension. Everyone knows that the more difficult it is to enjoy life, the less frequently one does. So it was with this fine fellow.

He was so busy tolerating and self-sacrificing that he dropped out of circulation. He gave up harmony (being too remote in rarified air even for a tenor); he gave up whacking his thigh over a sound story and unadulterated rage was completely unsound. In short, Understanding had set in.

It set in so slowly that at first he didn't notice it. The years followed one another with his tolerance expanding and his self-sacrifice thriving until there was no room for anything else; but one evening reality struck.

It began like thousands of other evenings he had spent alone with his Understanding. There was no indication of the tragedy which followed; but this particular evening, just as the first star came out to be wished on, a strange thing happened.

He sat rocking in his old porch swing, with

his bones creaking as loudly as the chains, when he heard footsteps coming up the walk. This was strange, because no one ever came up the walk anymore. He stopped swinging and listened. The footsteps paused at the steps.

"Who's there?" he said, getting up and stepping to the edge of the porch.

From out of the shadows a young man appeared. He looked like the same fine fellow who used to sing harmony and whack his thigh when he laughed.

"I'm looking for Understanding," he said. The Stoic stared at him and as he stared, the fine fellow vanished.

A great storm came up. Thunder crashed like a thousand clubs and lightning flared before his eyes. Hurling gales thrashed him in a hurricane of fervor and, when it was over, he saw a tear lying on the ground.

It was a tear for singing and it beckoned to another. A tear for anger fell and a tear for laughter. The ground grew dark as, one by one, the tears dropped into the pool. The ground grew dark where the fine fellow had stood and the darkness was tears.

The Stoic saw the stain and watched the night wind brush it into nothingness. The ground was dry again.

The Stoic looked wonderingly as a star shot across the sky and fell to the earth. The night wind blew the empty swing and the round moon rose and touched the man.

He climbed aboard the fallen star and straddled the shaft. As they rose high over the city, he heard celestial music with Caruso leading all the rest. He heard what he thought was Gabriel's horn, but it tooted a bridge or New Orleans jazz and the angels laughed and whacked their thighs at the seraphim's daring.

"Well, I'll be damned!" yelled the Stoic. "So this is Understanding. I'll be a . . ." and the whoosh of the star drowned out his words as he took his place on the broad white steps.

As I said in the beginning, maybe you knew him. He died yesterday.

MARION STEBBINS

## A Time to Trade

BY MARIE DAY BUTLER

Well, Sir, I was pushed smack dab inter the hull thing. Oh, I could see it comin' from way back. I starten up a business in Singletree—it weren't a big business—but, it weren't a big town neither. It was whut you call a gen-ral store, I reckon. I was doin' a fair trade—livin' easy you might say. Had no use for nothin' 'cept a bed and thur was room fer that in the store-room. I kept a shoebox to cook my aigs in an' a can to boil coffee. Allus kept my gun handy in the cracker bar'l—thur weren't no danger of it hurtin' a body, it shot balls o' fahr outen the sides, but it scared quite a few. As I say, I was livin' right easy.

Folks in Singletree was real fren'ly, leas-ways most of 'em wus. Men came to buy an' stayed t' set on the flour bins an' talk polytics an' religion, whilst thur wimmen looked at the dress goods an' whispered over the new wid-der in town an' how fast she is. Aimin' t' git herself a new man afore this un's even under the ground, they be sayin'! Tobe an' me wus mighty weary come closin' time but mighty glad t' be thataway fere a good reason. Tobe was the feller I hired t' help wait on trade. He was twict older'n me an' he knowed Singletree 'bout that much better too, I reckon. Leastwise he knowed wut was a goin' on afore I did. All the hair on Tobe's head wus a-growin' in one place—right aroun' the back in a line from one ear to t'other. But it wus still black an' fer all his years he wus quicker'n me baggin' vittles when folks wus in a rush. Thur wus them that 'lowed his nose wus red fer a reason but nobody ever seed 'im with a jug 'er a cup neither, lessen it wus 'Apple-jack' 'an every'body drunk that, even Brother Fletcher. I jus' allus figgered that red nose wus part o' Tobe, same's that lit-tle beard he wore on the p'int o' his chin, an' him bein' short an' not fat neither.

Yessir, as fur as I could see, Tobe wus a handy feller t' have aroun'. Even when busi-ness slacked off he wus good company. He weren't one t' stir a body's thinkin', hardly ever said a word onless I spoke up fust. An' then most times he jus' grunted fer answer. It wus when business slackened worsen an' worsen still an' stayed thataway that I fin'ly caught on t' what Tobe's grunt was about. They wus jus' as many folks a-trompin' through town but they wus all a-trompin' right on by my store. Things had been a-goin' this-away quite a spell when I ast Tobe wut he thought. He wus leant back on the pickle-bar'l, feet stuck up on the

pot-belly stove. Tobe's feet wus allus cold, win-ter an' summer. Propin' up on the stove wus jus' a habit, even iffing it wus summer an' thur wasn't no fahr. Tobe said it made him think he felt warm.

"Wall, Jeff: I could a-tole ye afore—if ye'd ast me." Tobe says.

"Waal?" I said back. I knowed Tobe would take his time. If my coat-tail wus afire it would'a been the same.

"It's Hawkins an' Lemin." He fin'ly says. "They figger on gittin' th' draw on ye. Goin' t' sell coffee an' sugar s' low ye'll have t' quit."

I knowed Hawkins an' Lemin' run the other two stores in town an' had done business sort of together, gettin' along good s' long as nobody from outside busted in. Tobe knowed, livin' in Singletree a heap longern' me. Since I come t' town they figgered t' do somethin', fact is they done it a' ready.

I says t' Tobe:

"Don't see why folks cain't come here t' trade nohow . . ." But afore I done talkin' he leant back an' squinted his eyes at me, good-natured like, though, an' he says:

"Jeff, 'tain't so. You oughter know bet-ter. Folks don't hanker t'o go inter a store a-draggin' whut they buyed som'ers else. 'Sides, when th' farm folks has buyed thur sugar an' coffee, they got 'bout thur buyin' done."

I reckoned as how he wus plum right 'bout that. An' then I reckoned some more, back t' the fust time I seed Lemin'. I 'member the day well. It were a miser'ble wet Saturday. Tobe an' me wus settin' by the stove a-wishin' we could stir up enough gumption t' go split fahr wood. It weren't cold, exact, jus' wet. Wall, I put it up t' Tobe an' he put it up t' me. An, then he says: "Jeff, wet wood won't burn nohow."

An' o' course he wus right. We wus both settin' propped up on the stove. Tobe wus near asleep. We neither one heard him come in, Lemin' that is. He jus' sneaked, seem like. Me and Tobe both started. Oh, Lemin' looked happy enough, smilin' an' all. I got down offen the cracker bar'l an' kept a hand close by the kiver. Thur ain't nobody in Singletree that's happy on a rainy Saturday. "Howdy, Jeff-Tobe." He says, nodded too, smiled. I howdied him an' Tobe grunted.

"Seems ye'd ast a feller t' set." He says.

"Shore." I says. "Set."

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## Nixon Tour Enlightening

In a recent issue of the Almanian, we discussed the good will tour of Vice President Nixon as to the eventual good it would do in cementing North and South American relationships. Little did we, or anyone else for that matter, suspect the serious ramifications of such an undertaking.

If the tour proved anything, it was that the United States is no longer, in any sense, provincial. We have put ourselves in the position of "big brother" to the free world whether we like it or not. There can no longer be any doubt as to our cosmic role.

Perhaps we can now get practicing what we preach. If we Trujillo and Franco, then that is expected.

If, however, we are going are going to have to defend the world fascists, who are communists. The United States with our foreign friends should both sides of our mouths.

The courage of Vice President Nixon, but that, alone, will not help friendship with the world. Instead, it may be respect, only with positive action and

## More on Gates

(ACP) — From Unive comes this information on controversy over the appointment of JOL DAILY WORKER editor JOL Gates and FBI counterspy at SMU for the first time since a federal court nine years ago.

Philbrick, now well-known "Lives" and subsequent telev helped send Gates to prison named a member of a panel minute talk on "Why I Left



Another college year will spend an interesting summer with his wife and children.

We have heard that a man will see us leave town as the South comes home.

A note to graduating seniors: I haven't got a job either.

Now as we close this little plause, one thing needs to be aptly put it, "I shall return". as long as it did MacArthur.

### TO ALL STUDENTS DESIRING

All students who desire employment for the 1958-59 school year must contact the personnel office before final applications and Saga Foods have been requested to employ from the list of students.

Students with the appropriate qualifications will be given first opportunity. Students will have their resumes reviewed this Spring. This will identify responsible and provide recommendations. If you have questions contact the Dean of Men.

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## THE CYNIC'S CORNER

by  
Bruce Johnstone

And the prophet saith: "Yon Holy one can do no wrong—commit no error. As divinely inspired Editor of thy surpassingly perfect ALMANIAN, his name shall become reknown throughout the city, the state, the nation, the world, and finally the universe, itself, among all peoples, and races, and tribes as the Greatest of the Great; the Finest of the Fine. He shall be worshipped wherever campus newspapers are read, wherever college gossip is listened to. Verily, verily, I say unto you, he is a great man."

And the Pharisee answereth: —"Most assuredly dost thou lie! Yon unholy one maketh many errors on many occasions. He be not perfect despite his outward attitude. Therefore I bid thee to receive his sayings as thou wouldst a grain of sand, taking them not as a word of perfection, but rather as a sound of imperfection."

Verily, verily, I say unto you, he hath a long way to go.

(Editor's Note: Funeral services will be held for one Bruce Johnstone as seen as possible)

## Theatre Course Being Offered

Registrations for the summer University Program at Will-O-

He set but he didn't set easy. Squirmed like a sodden sinner in the front pew of the church-house. He weren't still a minute. Tobe'll bear me out. Looked all over the shelves from sorgum' t' chamber pots. Seemed t' me he wus studyin' whilst he wus talkin' all the time like ten ole wimmin at a quiltin'.

"Hear the Widder Bardley is fixin' t' marry again, Jeff." He winked at Tobe but I seen him. "Some of the fellers figgered you'll git 'er."

"Me!" I plum snorted. "I ain't got nothin' t' do with Widder Bardley. I got me a woman I can hitch up to anytime I ain't got no better sense." "Course it were a plain lie an' all three a-setting' knowed so, but it sounded good an' I wus glad I said it.

Now Lemmin' jus' sot thur. Short he were, an' knot-headed. Thur weren't nothin' purty about him but his yaller hair. He had enough fat on him t' live good without eatin' all winter. An', as you can see, lookin' at me,, I be just' t'other way. My pa uster say I had hungry bones an' I reckon he wouldn't a knowed without he buyed the vittles. Well, sir, we sot an' we looked an' neither one of us wus satisfied. If I'd a-been as short as him an' he'd a-been as long as me, wouldn't a-made any difference. We wus jus' minded thataway.

Wall, Lemmin' sot quite a spell an' when he did get up an' go out the door, I says t' Tobe:

"I don't trust that gentleman." Them wus my very words. Don't recollect jus' whut Tobe said. Like as not he grunted.

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Saturday rain clared off to a purty Sunday. An' thur was Lemmin' grinning' like a aig suckin' snake. Takin' off his hat an' bowin' . . . jus' as we went in the church-house door:

"Brother Day," he says t' me. "It shore air a beautiful mornin'."

Called me 'brother' plain as day! But, Brother Fletchers' sermon wus on Cain and Abel. Right then I should ought t' knowed. All the time Lemmin' was a-plottin' an' a-plannin'.

Wall, nex' week we were fair busy. Week after that we propped up our feet a lot. An' the nex' week a little boy come in t' git some peppermint. I woulda-been a mite happier if he didn't go an' say 'Good-bye, Mr. Hawkins', when he left.

Friday night Tobe went home early grumblin' that he could set jus' as well at home an' not git paid fer it thur neither. I locked up an' went t' bed, but if I slept any, I slept light. Nex' mornin' I had a plan.

"Tobe," I says nex' mornin', Ain't you got a passel of nephews 'bout ten-twelve year old?"

"Yep," says Tobe.

"An' ain't you got a passel of cousins too—'bout the same age?"

"Yep."

"Go call 'em, Tobe. Tell 'em t' hurry. Tell

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor:

In reference to the "Polly Quips" column in the ALMANIAN of May 16, 1958, the first quip does not fit in with the atmosphere of the college, nor of the heretofore established by the ALMANIAN. Such "raunchy" material does not befit the air of the college nor of the paper. The impression it (the quip) gives is that because it is near the end of the year, all the left-over "jokes" are thrown in. And, in addition, it is peculiar that "Polly Quips" should cover everything, including politics. I sincerely hope that there will not be a repetition of this class of material.

Sincerely,  
Roscoe Colingsworth

Dear Roscoe

We presume you refer to the use of the word "broad" in the mentioned quip. You are certainly entitled to your opinion and your remarks are well taken here.

Bear in mind, tho, that many words in the English language are found in a semantic state of flux in which their connotations are constantly changing. "Broad" according to popular usage today, is one of these, perhaps not for you, but nevertheless general enough to be accepted in a much better tone than its original use.

A short conference with your English instructor will bring to mind many other common expressions.

As for there ever being a repetition of this "class of material" we can give you no guarantee there as you fail to define what you mean by "class of material." (More semantics, you see.)

In editing copy we use rather "broad" criteria which include consideration of whether we feel the item appeals to a substantial number of readers, whether or not it violates professional ethics, whether it is of "poor" taste (another hard-to-define term) and whether or not it might unjustly offend, cause needless embarrassment or hurt feelings, etc.

In our estimation, the mentioned Polly Quip met acceptable publication standards. More than that, we feel the reader is a better judge as letters such as yours not only serve to "keep us on the ball" but provide valuable indications of reader appeal to our writers as well. We'd like to have more of them—letters AND writers, that is.

REB

To the Administration, Faculty, and Student Body of Alma College:

Your many prayers, flowers, and cards have meant so much to me and have helped on my road to recovery.

Mrs. Bingham and I both want to express our sincere thanks and will always cherish your friendship and best wishes.

May God Bless you all.

'em they'll git candy iffing they hurry an' come quiet-like."

"All of 'em?" says Tobe.

"Yep," I says.

While Tobe wus ridin' herd on the youngins, I taken down water-buckets offen the shelves. Mebbe fifteen 'er so, fergit how many now, an' I loaded them buckets plum full o' aigs. Tobe come in d'rectly with pert 'nigh all the boys in town a-follerin' after. They wus quiet, too, but liken' t' bust with keepin' shet an' not knowin' whut wus a-goin' on.

Tobe says: "Here they be, Jeff." An' I says: "Thank ye kindly, Tobe."

"What ye fixin' to do, Jeff?" He ast.

"Watch," I says.

I tole all the boys t' git inter a line an' I giv' ever' one a bucket of aigs when thur turn come.

"Go to Lemmin' an' trade fer sugar," I tole some.

"Go to Lemmin' an' trade fer coffee," I tole some more.

"An' don't tell I sent ye," I says t' all.

Tobe scratched his head, sot quiet a spell, then he grinned an' said:

"Whut ye aim t' do 'bout Hawkins?"

"Have t' git shet o' these aigs somers!" I says.

Tobe's nephews an' cousins come in quiet-like through the back. I wus ready with more aigs an' I put Tobe t' helpin'.

This time I says: "Go t' Hawkins an' trade fer sugar," an' "Go t' Hawkins an' trade fer coffee." I tole the boys t' come back when they wus done an' I'd give 'em candy.

Well, sir, when the last aig wus traded, I had all the coffee an' sugar in town. An' Hawkins an' Lemmin' had all the aigs, an' they wus ever' one rotten.

Come time t' close up, I got out the jug an' I left the back door wide. Hawkins an' Lemmin' both went thataway home ever' night so I wus layin' fer 'em. I taken the jug in one hand but the other hand wus on the cracker bar'l. I taken that stand on two counts. I knowed Lemmin'. I didn't know Hawkins.

Fust I seed Lemmin' an' I started t' holler fren'ly like but he looked at me onct an' turned back walkin' t'other way, 'an if he ever did speak to me after that I don't recall it. Then I seed Hawkins a-comin' an' I seed him afore he seen me. I hollered at him far off so's he couldn't git by, an' I hiests up the jug an' p'int. Hawkins looked up an' he grinned—come over an' shook my hand. He taken the jug an' swigged a good 'un. Then he throwed back his head an' bellered.

"Jeff," he says, laughin' an' wipin' his chin, "It was dirty, PLUM dirty. But I'd a done the same if I a-thunk it up fust."

An' then a mule come in t' git shaved an' I left.