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CAMPUS DAY COURT



From left to right—Edna LaFleur, Detroit; Barbara Hoeflin, Detroit; Alice Welsh, Armada; Kay Shaw, Detroit; Betty Anderson, Schoolcraft; Edna Williams, Elk Rapids; Sally Souders, Alma.

Six Named to Honor Society

Six seniors and juniors were elected to Phi Sigma Pi, the scholastic honor society of Alma college, and will be honored on May 22 at the annual honors convention. Stuart Friesema and Douglas Gillesby, of the class of '53, and Grant Gallup, Marian McDonough, Sylvia Nelson, and Roger Vance, of the class of '54, were elected to membership.

Students already members are: John Corbett, John Fields, Lois Howell, James Pappin, William Taylor, and Larry Waggoner. Faculty sponsors are Dr. Stanley Chipper, Dr. Robert Clack, Dr. John S. Harker, Dr. Henry Klomp, Dr. William J. McKeefery, Dr. Howard Potter, Professor Nathan Nichols, Professor A. Westley Rowland, Professor Robert Rufener, Professor Florence Stewart, and Professor May Stewart.

Dr. Clack will present the honors to the new members at the convocation.

Queen of Scots Crowned Tomorrow To Reign Over Annual Campus Day

The feature event of this year's Campus Day is once again the crowning of the Queen of Scots. The vote of the student body has selected seven girls who will be the honor court, and one who will be queen. The name of the queen will be announced at the crowning ceremony to be held at "Coronation Fair" at two o'clock in the afternoon.

At the coronation the queen will be presented with gifts from the presidents of each of the four classes, and she will be crowned by the president of the student council, Bob Willits.

Following the coronation, the queen will be entertained by fencers, jesters, a balladier, a tumbling act, a dance relating to the coronation, and traditional highland fling.

The annual "daisy chain" will line the entrance of her highness. The event will be narrated by the Dean of Men, William Stielstra.

Band Concert

Immediately preceding the coronation ceremony, the annual spring concert will be presented by the college band. The concert will begin at 1:15 p.m.

Art Exhibit

All during the day, from 9:00 a.m. through 5:00 p.m., the annual student art

exhibit will be open to inspection at the arts building. Special emphasis is being placed this year upon student handicraft work, in both jewelry and ceramics.

Events of the Day

Championship soft ball games, men and women; Davis field: 8:30 a.m.

Art exhibit, at the arts building: 9:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.

Frosh-Soph tug o' war, at the jungle: 10:45 a.m.

Picnic lunch, at the grove: 11:45 a.m.

Band concert: 1:15 p.m.

Coronation ceremony: 2:00 p.m.

Baseball game, Alma vs. Percy Jones, Elwell field 3.30 p.m.

Queen's ball, sponsored by Phi Phi Alpha, Tyler Center: 8:30 p.m.

MacKenzie Is Dean for a Day

The WSSF faculty auction, held a week ago, gave Dave McKenzie, Clawson junior, a chance to be "Dean for a day." Dr. W. J. McKeefery, dean of the college, offered to go to classes for one day for the student who would bid highest for the privilege of taking over his own office that day. Dave won, and the Dean went to his classes and took notes for him while Dave gave dean calls to his own fraternity members.

Detroit Lawyer Is Forensic Patron

Adelbert H. Lindley, a graduate of Alma college, class of 1916, and a member of the Lindley and Delaney law firm of Detroit, has announced the establishment of the Lindley Forensic Awards, to be presented each year for all around top performance of Alma college students in the fields of debate and extempore speaking. The first prize will be \$50.00, second prize \$30.00, and third, \$20.00.

The award winners will be selected by a vote of the active debaters and extempore speakers, and the presentation of the prizes will be made at the annual speech banquet. Mr. Lindley will make the presentation this year in person at the speech banquet on Thursday, May 21, at 7 p.m.

Mr. Lindley's two sons are graduates of the college. Adelbert H. Lindley, Jr., was a graduate in the class of 1940. Bruce, an outstanding debater and extempore speaker, graduated in 1942.

Awards for excellence in a related field, oratory, have been given for a number of years by Dr. Preston W. Bradley, of Chicago, in memory of his mother, Elizabeth Bradley. Dr. Bradley also attended Alma college.

\ LETTER FROM THE EDITOR
TO THE EDITOR-ELECT

This is the last issue of the Almanian of which I shall be privileged to call myself editor. In closing the year's travail, I would have words with my successor.

In September I wrote a pledge in which these words appeared: 'First, we shall endeavor to be literate. In that, thanks to you, and to the occasional advice of Dr. Klomp, and to encouragement by many students and faculty, we succeeded. But literacy is no criterion for artful or original journalism, though it is surely the starting place. To be sure, we have come with an uncommonly large dose of pompous cant in our pages, we have been peurile, as we assured everyone we would, and we have also been guilty of that strangely overpowering emotion, hostility to the Philistine. In all these things we have been less than conquerors, but we have tried, yes, we have tried the patience of many. I hope we have not tried the interest of most. If we have, these are the reasons:

1) There are not enough capable students to work on the staff of the Almanian. This is partly because no courses in journalism are offered here, much less required of staff members. If these courses, were regularly taragtrancTcreclits required at least of the editor, we would soon see high school students who are interested in journalism begin flocking to Alma, and there would develop a competition for the editorship — a competition which, alas, does not now exist.

2) There is little incentive for the untutored student to get experience on the staff. Awards, in the form of gold or silver plated pins, or certificates of excellence, are awarded by many colleges for outstanding work on the student newspaper. Why Alma, a college which has awards in practically every other field, should neglect this very important one is to me an unsearchable secret. Oh, yes, there are activity credits, but these are much too easily cone by in the spectator organizations, and much too unfairly awarded all the way round. Too much of this undergraduate journalism is always and only a "labor of love."

I have twB suggestions in closing. One, go back to the larger format: it is more professional. Two, try to organize interest in a state intercollegiate press association, which would hold an annual conference at one of the small, independent colleges, to share ideas of all the staffs and to set up some minimum standards for col-

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of the Almanian

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Miss Helen M. Heater, who will be the new associate professor of mathematics.

Dr. Ross Miller Will Preach Baccalaureate

The baccalaureate sermon will this year be preached by Dr. Ross Miller, Dean of the Chapel. This sermon is traditionally preached by the college president, but Dr. Harker will be absent for the week end at a meeting of the executive committee of the general assembly of the Presbyterian church.

The service will be held in the college chapel at eight o'clock in the evening on Sunday, May 31. The baccalaureate service will be held in the college chapel at eight o'clock in the evening on Sunday, May 31. The baccalaureate service will be held in the college chapel at eight o'clock in the evening on Sunday, May 31.

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McCall Names Six Placed as Teachers

Professor McCall released the name of six seniors, who have received job placements as teachers.

William Arbury will teach art and English at Armada. JoAnn Greenley and Stu Grove will teach in Homer, Alaska, she in the upper elementary grades and he in the high school. Richard Garrett will coach at Algonac. Ernestine Hebert has accepted a position teaching home economics at Pinckney. Mrs. Joan Kitztrick will teach high school English at Lake Linden, and Don Sywassink will teach junior high mathematics at Ionia.

Mr. McCall also gave the names of alumni members who have new positions. Bob Boston, who has been at Belding, will be head football and assistant basketball coach at West Branch. Don Carey, who has been at Mason, will teach history and will coach at Marysville. Philip Daab, at Fulton for the last four years, will become the band director at Alma high school. Hessel Weaver will coach at White Cloud, Robert Wolcott will be the physical education instructor at Leslie, and Clare Aibee, who has been at Otter Lake, will be the head football and track coach and assistant basketball coach at Lapeer. He will also teach social studies.

Mr. McCall said that from January 1 to December 31, 1953, Alma College received placement calls for 1,110 teachers. He says that it looks as if there will be even more requests by the end of this year.

The Future Teachers Association, recently organized on campus, will try to encourage students to go into teaching. And the addition of a full time instructor in the field of elementary education will now enable the college to place more emphasis on this field. It is also thought that the new department of business education and secretarial science will be helpful to students preparing directly for vocations who nevertheless want the liberal arts program of Alma College. Mr. McCall emphasized that more and more business concerns call for graduates who have a broad liberal arts background rather than specialized training. He cited the Michigan Bell Telephone Company as an example.



Dr. Stanley Chipper, professor of economics, who has decided to leave Alma College.

Trustees Approve \$1-Hike in Activity Fund

Activity fees will be increased one dollar per semester beginning next fall, making the fee six dollars per semester instead of five.

The Board of Trustees, meeting on campus last week, voted unanimous approval of the Student Council request that this money be set aside for the use of the Council in sponsoring some event such as the engagement of a big name band or a gala campus party, an event similar to the opening dance at the Jerry Tyler student center.

The trustees also voted approval of the development at Bahlke field. The field is being graded into one continuous level, and a hard ball diamond, at least one softball diamond, and four tennis courts are expected to be completed and ready when school opens in the fall. The building of a track, planned for a later date, will not be done this summer.

Tentative plans are being made for the laying of the cornerstone of Van Dusen Commons as a part of the commencement day activities.

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News in Brief

A. C. A. Reorganizes Officer Set Up

The Alma Christian Association will have a new method of electing officers next year. The cabinet has decided that officers will now be elected twice each year instead of only in the spring. A general meeting of the A.C.A. will elect a president, a first vice president in charge of program planning, a second vice president in charge of deputation teams, and a secretary-treasurer. In the past there has been only one vice president and the separate offices of secretary and treasurer. The cabinet believes that this new arrangement will lighten the load of work on a few individuals and spread it around to more of the members.

The election of officers will be held on May 27. These officers will serve until the second semester of next year.

Professor Eyer Addresses Lansing Meet of Bird Banders

Professor Lester Eyer, head of the biology department at Alma College, presented a paper entitled "The Biology of the Bronzed Grackle" before a joint meeting of the Inland Bird Banding Association and the Michigan Bird Banders in Lansing.

This was a preliminary report, covering a portion of the results of the research on this member of the blackbird family, which Mr. Eyer has done at Michigan State as partial fulfillment of the requirements for the Ph.D. degree.

Prior to this meeting Mr. Eyer attended a meeting of the board of directors of the Michigan Audubon society. He has been an active member of the society for a number of years. Other societies with which he is affiliated include the Michigan Academy of Science, Arts, and Letters; the American Ornithologists' Union, and the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

Phi Phi Alpha Holds Spring Formal in Lansing

Phi Phi Alpha held its spring formal in the American room of the Olds hotel in Lansing, Friday, May 8. Music was furnished by Barney McCartle's orchestra.

Summer project of the fraternity is a concession booth at the Michigan State Fair in Detroit over the Labor day week end. The stand will include hot dogs, pop, and other refreshments.



Miss Marjory Allen, home economics professor, who will leave Alma College at the end of the term.

Petitions for Class Officers Received until Monday Noon

Petitions for class officers were received until noon on Monday at the business office. Each candidate for office presented a petition to the Student Council, signed by at least ten per cent of the members of his class.

Election will be held by secret ballot, between eight and five o'clock on Thursday, May 21. Newly elected student council members will meet with the present Council on Wednesday, May 21, at 5:45 in the south lounge of the Tyler Center.

Three Senior Men Nominated for Barlow Trophy

Three senior men have been nominated as candidates for the Barlow Trophy, an honor awarded annually to a member of the senior class selected by the Faculty and Student Council on the basis of scholarship, character, and campus leadership. The men being considered for the award are Stuart Friesema, Larry Waggoner, and Robert Willits.

The Trophy is given by Mr. Joel Barlow, class of '29, of Washington, D. C.

Though the balloting has already taken place, and the winner known, his identity cannot be revealed until the hour of the honors convocation.

Graduate Scholarship

John Corbett, Breckenridge, was awarded the State College scholarship provided by the Horace H. Rackham School of Graduate Studies of the University of Michigan. The faculty annually nominates a graduating senior for this scholarship.

Dave Winston, '52, Graduates an Ensign

Among the 837 men congratulated by Rear Admiral Charles C. Hartman, USN, for having graduated with the rank of Ensign, from the Navy's only Officer Candidate School at Newport, R. I., was David R. Winston, of Lansing, Michigan, who received his B.S. degree in biology in 1952 from Alma college.

Over two thousand persons watched the impressive ceremony as Rear Admiral Hartman made presentation of diplomas.

These new officers will join other OCS graduates already serving on every type of combatant and non-combatant ship in the fleet.

These men in four months of intensive study and training have covered the same Naval subjects that college NROTC students do in four years. Foremost in their study was gunnery, navigation, seamanship, engineering, damage control and operations.

Student Directors Present Two 1-act Plays

Two one act plays, under the direction of Ron Black and Dave Cornell, are scheduled for the beginning of next week in the Tyler auditorium. Ron Black is directing "Hello Out There," a protest against social conventionalism, by William Saroyan. The cast includes Sherry Macey, Bill Farris, and Beverly Ewing.

"Mooncalf Mugford," by Brainerd Duffield and Helen and Nolan Leary, is a study of emotions, posing the question of the relative importance of the world of reality and that of dreams. Cast includes George Spriggs, Carol Cummings, Barbara Bauer, Jody Lilley and Al Bowman. Director is Dave Cornell.

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Alma Raises \$160 for WSSF Drive

Over \$160 was raised this year for the Alma college contribution to World University Service through the World Student Service Fund.

The WSSF drive for 1953 was launched on April 27 in chapel when Miss Mary Pat Dowell gave an informative talk on the purpose of WSSF and its worthwhile cause. The following Wednesday the A.C.-A. sponsored the first fund raising event, the carnival, at which \$50.00 was raised.

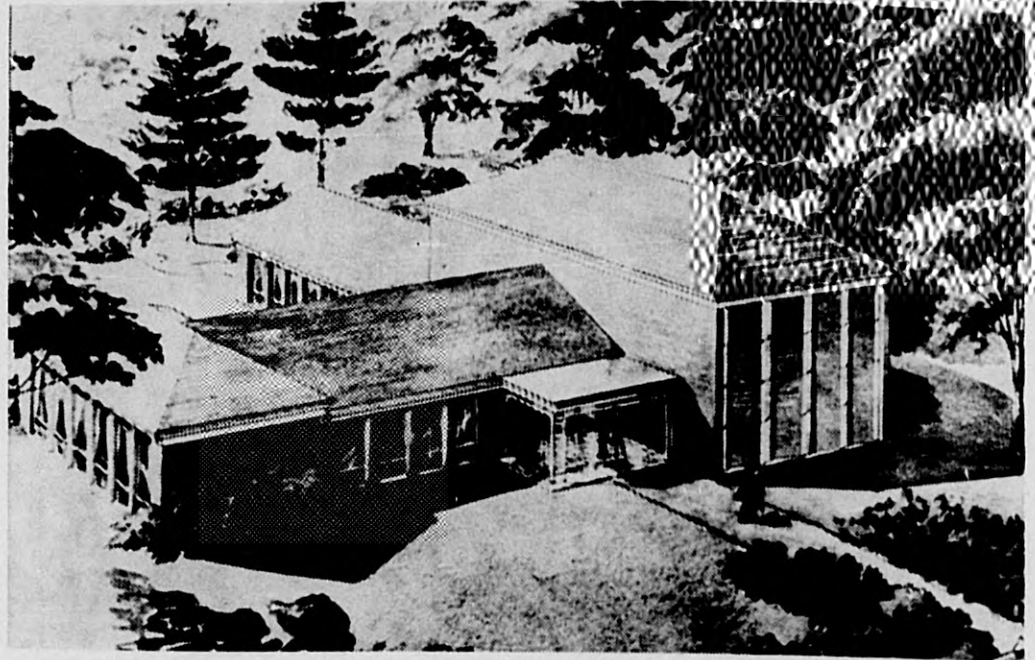
The following week on Tuesday, May 5, a movie was shown, depicting efforts of foreign students to rebuild their destitute universities. Frank Williams and Bob Benjamin addressed students at this meeting, after which personal contributions were collected in Wright Hall and Pioneer. The contributions totaled \$26.00.

On Wednesday evening, May 6, each fraternity and sorority on campus submitted an act to be used in the WSSF variety show which was held in the Tyler auditorium. The admission receipts amounted to \$12.00.

The climax of the series of Wednesday evening events was the popular faculty auction held in the chapel basement on May 13. As usual, this was the greatest success, and \$60,000 was contributed. Paul Finchem did an able job as auctioneer.

There is still time for personal contributions to be given to any committee member to help swell our WSSF. This fund helps university students in all of the war desolated countries abroad to rebuild their institutions with the cooperative efforts of students everywhere.

Judson Joyce served as chairman of the committee. He may be contacted for further contributions or inquiries.



The architect's study for the proposed music building is tentative, but approximately represents the plans for it. This building, envisioned in the development program of the college, will contain several teaching studios, two classrooms with folding doors for conversion into a small auditorium (seating 75) for recitals. One wing will contain a practice room for the band and another for the choir. Both rooms will have permanent risers. It is planned to have a recording studio and music library facilities located between the two practice rooms. The rear wing will house lockers and practice rooms. It is planned that all the rooms will be sound-proofed.

Fall Enrollment Looks Promising; Expect Freshman Class of 200

The number of applications on hand at the present time indicates that Alma college should have a freshman class of 200 new students and possibly more. There are a greater number of applications on hand as of May 11 than on any similar date in the past three years.

The Michigan Council of State College Presidents have prepared a booklet showing the expected enrollments in Michigan colleges in the next 17 years. Their figures indicate that in the year 1952: 94,068 students were enrolled in Michigan colleges and that by 1970 there will be 199,010 college students in the various institutions of higher education in the state.

The primary reason for the increase will be the increased birth rate in Michigan which in 1935 was approximately 85,000 per year and is now approximately 175,000.

The increased numbers desiring to attend college together with the great interest generated by the Alma college Development Program should mean that Alma's enrollment will increase gradually to a point in the next five or six years, where the college will have more students applying for admission than can be accepted.

ALMA COLLEGE ENROLLMENT FIGURES AS OF MAY 11 FOR THE YEARS 1948-1953

	Applications received	Applications accepted	Applications rejected	Applications pending*	Applications withdrawn†	Final total new stud'ts
1948	... 87	74	3	8	2	237
1949	... 92	72	8	9	3	200
1950	... 70	62	2	5	1	185
1951	... 32	18	0	13	1	149
1952	... 60	41	0	19	0	200
1953	... 87	71	1	12	3	?

*The applications listed as pending are acted on as soon as high school records and recommendations are received.

†Applications withdrawn had been accepted, but the students decided not to attend Alma.



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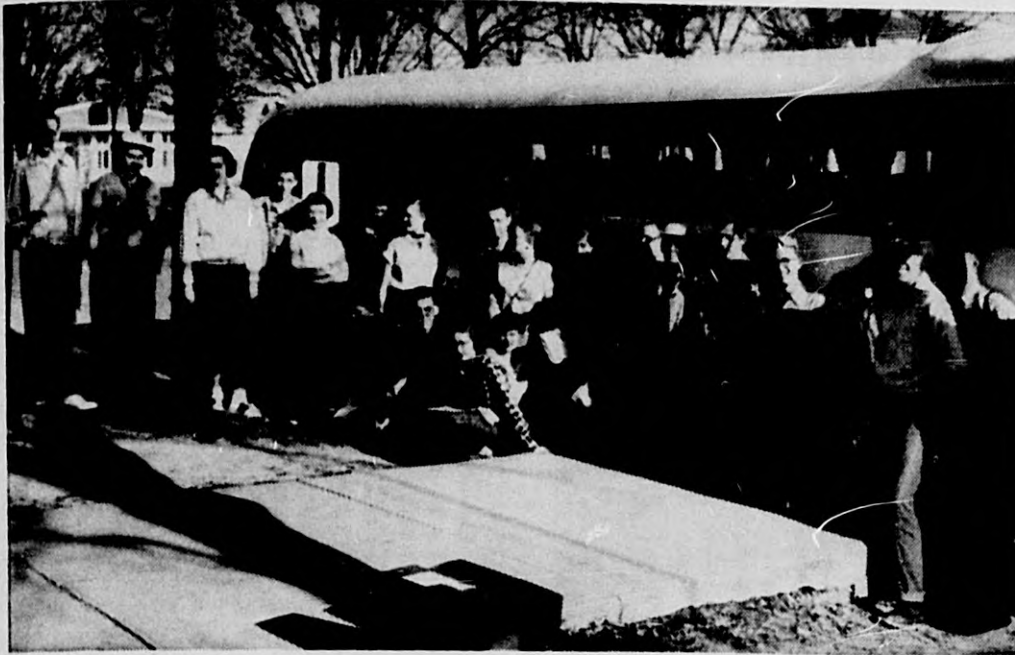
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The photographer had to get up early on Saturday, May 9, to catch the geology class before it left on its spring field trip in northern Michigan. Here they are, as they gathered around the bus at seven thirty o'clock in the morning.

Geology Class Takes 2 Day Field Trip

by Gwen Cross

Twenty embryonic geologists and Professor Eyer, armed with picks and hammers, left the classroom of books and maps on the morning of Saturday, May 9, to seek trilobites and drumlins in the Alpena-Onaway region.

Buzzing across glacial lake beds and over old sand dunes, the Mercury bus headed east to Saginaw and then north to Alabaster, where everyone piled out to collect samples of gypsum. A few hours later, the students were at their destination, the fossil hunting grounds in the limestone quarries at Alpena. Standing on the rim of these vast terraced excavations, the students were awe-stricken by their immensity. While on one of the ledges in the quarry, they heard dynamite explosions from a lower level, and with bags and pockets bulging with fossils, the geologists fled. They spent the

night at the Alpena Hotel, and on Sunday morning traveled west along backwoods trails to examine various surface features left by the glaciers.

Ocqueoc Falls was the next stop. The rock formation exposed at the falls was examined, and two eager girls waded to the opposite side of the rapids in order to examine a canyon wall.

With everyone back on the bus, the excursion continued to an area south of Onaway. Here but an acre of ground had slumped into the earth, forming a large funnel-shaped hole into which the class descended single file to a depth of 100 feet.

Soon twenty one tired geology students were back on the Alma campus with fossils and a better knowledge of eskers, drumlins, and trilobites.

The students who went were Sylvia Bills, Bob Brown, Betty Burns, Gwen Cross, Carole Cummings, Betty Fowler, Donelda Hamp, Peter Hansen, Joe Harris, Barbara Hoeflin, Jack Homer, Don Howarth, Betty Lou Kolberg, John Koschara, Dalton Love, Jean MacKellar, Sue Miller, Keith Nielsen, Hilma Tassava, and Don Ziesse.

A.C.A. Reviews Work of Deputation Teams

This year the A.C.A. has sent nine deputation teams to various churches in the lower peninsula. These teams have been called on to conduct Sunday services and to meet with young people to discuss the fields of recreation, program planning, and worship services.

Chairman in charge of deputation teams has been David MacKenzie, junior from Clawson. This year's advisors were Dr. and Mrs. Miller, Mrs. Harker and Mrs. McKeefery.

Following is a list of the teams that have been sent out: Ben Haskins, Pat Anderson and Frank Williams conducted Sunday morning service at Akron on November 9. On November 23, Bob Kelley and Peggy Lomas led the morning service at Emerson. Dalt Love met with the Crosswell Sunday school on January 25.

Saturday morning and two Sunday meetings at Northville were attended by Bob Cobb, Don Gordon and Pat Anderson on February 1.

Dalton Love and Bill Voska led a Sunday morning service at Emerson on February 22. On Sunday evening, February 22, Don Gordon and Betty Anderson met with an Alma youth group. David MacKenzie, Grant Gallup and Sylvia Bills were in charge of morning worship at Milford on February 22. On March 19, Dick Wylie and Don Gordon attended a Lenten supper and program at Ithaca. Vern Robinson and Paul Finchem guided the service at Marlette on Sunday morning, April 19.

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Prof Profile DR. POTTER: PROFESSOR, CHEMIST, BEEKEEPER



by Bob Willits

In 1928, a young lad fresh from Ithaca high school enrolled at Alma college. "Howdie" Potter had left his mark scholastically and otherwise on the place he had come from. He was going to make it on Alma. He did. And still is. In 1932 he received his B.S. degree from Alma, *summa cum laude*.

For a young fellow of this calibre, greater things should be in store. So, he loaded the old truck down with his prize possessions and began the eastward trek to Boston, where he promptly enrolled in the Harvard graduate school of chemistry. For the next three years he remained at Harvard as a research assistant, doing research part of the time and teaching the other part.

Now, the smell of chemicals had overcome him and he desired to return to some of the sweeter things in nature. So he returned home again to become honey inspector (of the insect variety) for the bureau of foods and standards of the State of Michigan.

By 1951 he was again ready to hear the woes of budding young chemists and he accepted the position as Head of Chemistry at Swarthmore college, a small Quaker co-educational institution just outside of Philadelphia. For the ensuing four years he "suffered through the V-12 units and all" at Swarthmore.

But the strain was evident, and he longed once again to see dear old Ithaca. So back he came, this time in a newer product of the automotive industry. For that year in 1945 he was content to sit back and watch the bees fly around.

But in 1946 his alma mater beckoned his

services. Seeing this as an opportunity to combine all of his likes into a central area, he accepted. For seven years now he has been allowing some pupils to leave Alma with the Potter "brand" on their chemistry majors. All will agree that this is a pretty good "brand" to have.

Dr. Potter's interests are many and varied. But his wife and family of three girls and a boy are the center of them. Mrs. Potter is an Alma alumna also. Their marriage was the result of "boy meets girl on college campus."

Besides his work at Alma, he is the owner-manager of some 475 acres of fertile farmland around Ithaca. He claims this gives his honeybees plenty of space in which to buzz about in order to find the sweetest nectars.

He has been a beekeeper since his high school days. "Howdie's Honey" has been an eminent trademark in the field. During World War II he achieved "some sort of fame" from the women helpers he employed in his bee business whom he called the "beeswaacs." At one time he owned some 48,000,000 bees; that makes a lot of honey.

For a while he dabbled in photography. This was perhaps a by-product of his chemical knowledge. But the main product of this knowledge has been research work in causes and types of pernicious anemia, making organic compounds in the laboratory which are not found in nature, and considerable research on a particular type of organic compound of which sulfur is the important constituent. He has authored many articles based on this research which have appeared in the *Journal of the American Chemical So-*

ciety, the latest of which will be published this summer, providing the spring weather doesn't halt his present research.

Dr. Potter is a member of the American Chemical society, Sigma Xi (scientific counterpart of Phi Beta Kappa), Alpha Chi Sigma (Harvard chapter), Phi Sigma Pi (Alma chapter), and Phi Phi Alpha; also, the Apis Club of London and the Michigan Beekeepers Association. He is also active in religious work, serving as an elder of the First Presbyterian church of Ithaca.

Concert Program

CAMPUS DAY BAND CONCERT

The program for the Campus Day concert, to be presented by the college band under the direction of Professor Robert E. Rufener, is as follows:

- I. "March of the Steel Men" by Belsterling.
- II. "The Flashing Eyes of Andalusia," by Sousa.
- III. "Introduction and Tango," by Helbig.
- IV. "Indian Love Call," by Friml.
- V. "Stepping High March," by Handlon.
- VI. "Show Boat," by Kern.
- VII. "Finian's Rainbow," by Lane.
- VIII. "Invercargil," by Lithgow.
- IX. "Rainbow Rhapsody," by Frangkiser.
- X. "On the Mall," by Goldman.

The concert, scheduled to precede the Coronation program, will begin at 1:15 p.m. As in former years, the concert and the coronation will be held on the lawn behind Wright hall.

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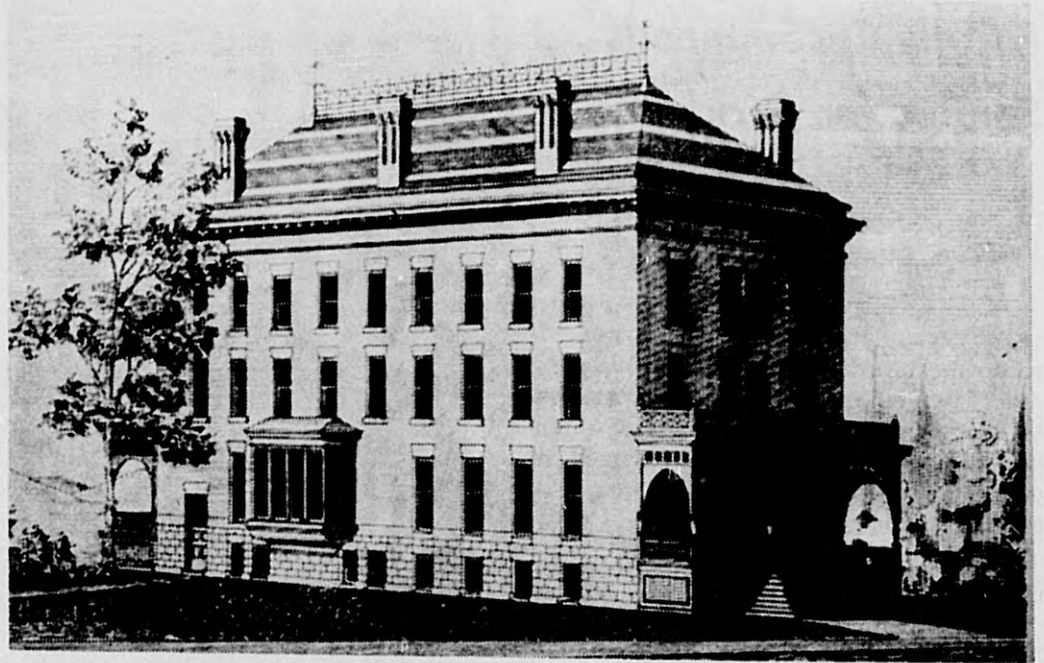
SAWKINS MUSIC & RECORD SHOP

Pioneer Hall Goes Socialite for 75 Guests

by Dom Paterra

Pioneer Hall went socialite last Thursday and played host to some 75 guests. The halls carried a steady stream of faculty, Wright Hall girls, and townspeople. Some of the girls who attended were astonished to see the bachelors' quarters so tidy. Mother Kain beamed brightly as she acknowledged many compliments. Ma also received a beautiful corsage of red roses from her boys, as she affectionately calls them. The refreshments served were vanilla and chocolate cake with grape punch.

Entertainment consisted of community singing, led by bass Dean Stielstra and tenor Mr. McCall with accompaniment by Lee Posey and his uke. Some of the songs sung were "Shine On Harvest Moon," "I Want a Girl," "Working on the Railroad" and the "Alma Mater." The night concluded when Guile Graham and Dean Stielstra, the last of the remaining guests, departed (while fond memories of bachelor days danced in their heads).



This old drawing of Pioneer Hall was made by F. W. Hollister, architect, of Saginaw, Michigan. It is dated March 22, 1886, and is entitled "Dormitory, Central Normal School, Alma, Michigan." This building, modeled after the Parthenon, was the first Ladies' Residence Hall.

The dormitory was renovated in recent years and now provides housing for freshman men. Last week the men entertained guests at their annual open house.

Bird Banding Station Established by Eyer

A bird banding station has been established at Alma college under the direction of Professor Lester E. Eyer, Chairman of the Biology Department, who is a licensed operator for the Fish and Wildlife Service of the U. S. Department of the Interior. Three biology students who had an ornithology course and passed a special proficiency test, made bird traps, and banded birds in the College Jungle this spring. These students, Maurice Baldwin, Richard Moore and Jim Rickley, banded over one hundred birds of several different species.

The purpose of these banding activities is to cooperate with hundreds of other bird banding operators throughout the United States and Canada in a study of the migration routes followed by different species of birds. Other valuable information concerning the living birds such as length of life, rate of travel, etc., is also gained by such studies.

Because the percent of recovery of banded birds is so low, it is necessary to band thousands of them to receive a significant amount of information. Everyone who finds a dead bird is urged to examine it for a band and if one is present to send it to the U. S. Government address which is stamped on it. The following information should accompany the band: (1) the name of person who found it and his address, (2) place where it was found, (3) date of find, (4) cause of death if it can be determined, and (5) name of species of bird if it can be identified.

SUMMARY OF ACTIONS OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL REGARDING STUDENTS OF LOW ACADEMIC STANDING

In response to inquiries concerning the number of students on academic probation at Alma college, Dr. W. J. McKeefery, dean of the college, posted a summary of the students on academic probation for the last seven semesters.

In interpreting the summary, Dr. McKeefery said that at the present time, the number of students on academic probation is actually less than 20%, or about one in five. This figure includes students whose averages are between .5 and .8 at the present time.

About half of the students who transferred from Alma college at the end of the first semester were on academic probation, which considerably decreased the number of students in this category. Alma did not accept transfers of any students on academic probation in other colleges.

Semester	Number of Students for Each Type of Probation						Total Number on Probation Status	
	Off Prob.	Warned	On Prob.	Prob. Cont.	Prob. 1 Sem.	With-drawn		
127 Fall 1949 584 Students	32	21	24	97	23	4	146	= 25.0%
128 Spring 1950 563 Students	16	13	12	70	0	30	125	= 22.2%
129 Fall 1951 531 Students	27	23	17	74	17	4	140	= 26.0%
130 Spring 1950 472 Students	16	3	21	59	14	12	95	= 20.0%
131 Fall 1951 440 Students	27	23	17	73	17	4	114	= 26.0%
132 Spring 1952 429 Students	11	12	26	12	11	20	81	= 18.9%
133 Fall 1952 477 Students	22	28	44	36	11	6	125	= 26.2%

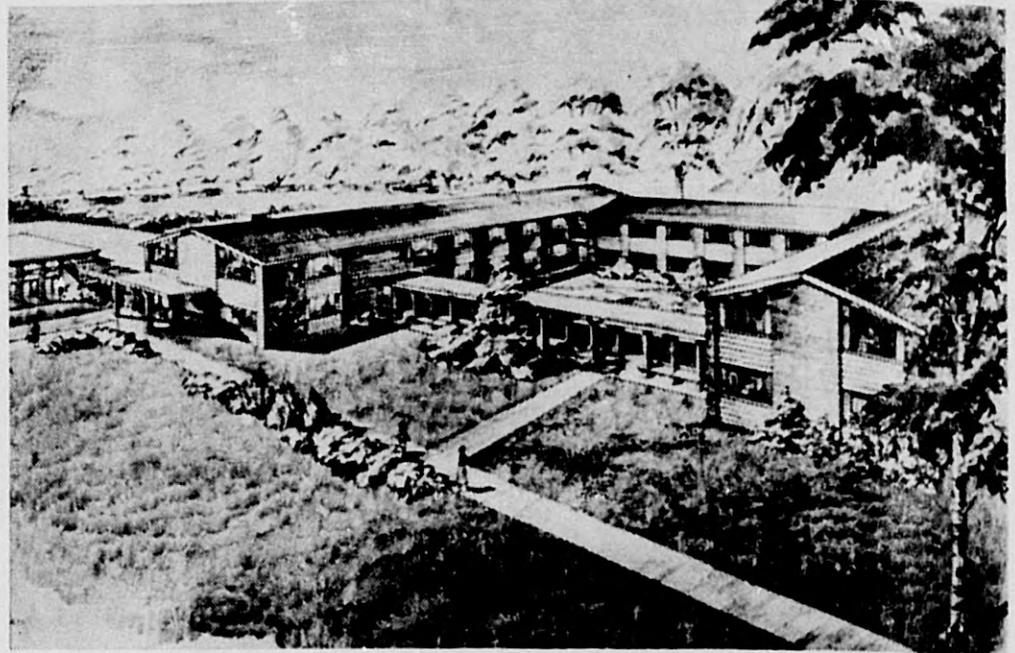
Faculty Recommends Seniors for Graduation

83 Will Receive Degrees After Successful Completion of Current Semester's Work

The faculty of Alma College recommended to the board of trustees the following candidates for degrees and certificates, to be granted to them on June 6, 1953, after the successful completion of courses in which they are now enrolled.

For the Bachelor of Arts Degree:

1. Allen Edward Alexander
2. William H. Arbury
3. Robert Reynolds Bacon
4. Maurice Eugene Baldwin
5. Ronald Alan Black
6. John Michael Bramble
7. Raymond Earle Carless
8. Joan Marie Case
9. Aubry Clan Clapp
10. Robert LeRoy Cobb
11. Dolores Ann Combs
12. David A. Cornell
13. Clifford Nelson Cummings, Jr.
14. Douglas Bruce Davey
15. Lucinda Ann Davison
16. Paul James Finchem, Jr.
17. Stuart E. Friesema
18. Paul Richard Garrett
19. Marianne Geerlings
20. Anne Louise Gettel
21. John Douglas Gillesby
22. Donald Hart Gordon, Jr.
23. Edsel Granger
24. Joanne Kathryn Greenley
25. Earl Franklin Hayward
26. Ernestene Gene Hebert
27. Ronald R. Horman
28. Betty Marie Houghtaling
29. Lois Ann Howell
30. Lorraine Bernice Jackson
31. Lester Wayne Johnson
32. Alton Russell Kaufman
33. Robert Wylie King
34. Betty Lou Kolberg
35. Barbara Theresa Lawrence
36. George Bowman Lawrence, Jr.
37. J. Dale Lawson
38. David Ulrich Maier
39. Edward Frank Malik
40. Frank Albert Martin
41. Maurice Welch Martin
42. Sue Reavey McLaughlin
43. Mary Kathryn Menovske
44. Dolores Arlene Metcalfe
45. Ruth Parke Morse
46. Robert B. Naru
47. Keith Edward Nielsen
48. Eleanor Ruth Patz
49. Ronald Ray Penner
50. Peggy Brezina Pielou
51. Clifton Bradley Pitts
52. Alice Raleigh
53. Walter James Roman
54. Richard James Roth
55. Kathleen Louise Russell



The proposed women's residence hall, as conceived by the architect, will house about 150 girls. It will be the third unit of the building program at the west end of the campus, and will connect to Van Dusen Commons. The west wing will be three stories high, the ground floor containing four meeting rooms, three for the sororities, one for independent women, and laundry and storage rooms. The ground floor in the north wing will include a large general purpose room for recreation and dormitory association meetings. A small infirmary and residence quarters for the matron will be housed in a separate wing. Each of the 14 x 14 studio-type rooms will have built-in furniture, with beds convertible into divans by day. There will be small lounges in each wing, and a kitchenette and "valet" room on each floor.

56. Kathleen Marilyn Shaw
57. William Gene Smith
58. Mary Ellen Splitstone
59. Samuel E. Stafford
60. Donald Lewis Sywassink
61. William Henry Taylor
62. Larry Dick Waggoner
63. James Murray Wallace
64. Leontine Netzorg Wallace
65. Rosalie Sue Williams
66. Richard Ellis Wylie

For the Bachelor of Science Degree:

1. John Marvin Corbett
2. Verlan Dean Dewey
3. William John Felmler
4. John Wallace Fields
5. David Gene Hollar
6. Eugene Floyd Huget
7. Robert Leland Kersten
8. Richard Lee Moore
9. Marcus August Morman
10. James David Pappin
11. Nelson Warren Ray, Jr.
12. James Nelson Schramm
13. George Patrick Shaw
14. Frederick Bruce Songer
15. Richard A. Stuckey
16. Robert Arthur Willits

For the Bachelor of Music Education Degree:

1. Phillip David Long

For the Bachelor of Arts Degree after the successful completion of additional work:

1. Greta Perry Bond
2. Roland Joseph Duguay

For the Bachelor of Science Degree after the successful completion of additional work:

1. Ernest William Bauer, Jr.

For the State of Michigan Elementary Provisional Certificate:

1. Maurice Eugene Baldwin
2. Lucinda Ann Davison
3. Joanne Kathryn Greenley
4. Betty Marie Houghtaling
5. Barbara Theresa Lawrence
6. Dolores Arlene Metcalfe
7. Eleanor Ruth Patz
8. Alice Raleigh
9. Kathleen Louise Russell
10. Mary Ellen Splitstone

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Scots Lose Twin Bill to Central Michigan

Central Michigan played host to Alma May 6. In the first game Alma was ahead seven to one before the fatal fifth inning. Then Central scored eleven runs to take the lead. Gordon Rutherford and Bill Palm were the victims of this onslaught, while Dick Heinrich finished up the last inning. Alma's last chance to tie or win the game came in the ninth inning when two out, the tying and winning runs on base, Lefty Gadzinski was thrown out at first base on a much disputed play. The final score was 14-13.

The second game did not present too much scoring until the fourth inning. Pitcher John Schwagle did very well until then, when Central put together a couple of infield hits, an error, and two walks to produce four runs. Dave Freer, who relieved Schwagle, did a very effective job of holding Central thereafter. The final score was 5 to 0. Alma has a total of six wins against four setbacks. This includes league and non-league games. In MIAA competition our Scots have a very good chance of tying for the championship with Hope.

The next game is a doubleheader with Ferris Institute at Big Rapids on the 25th of May.

Almanian Sports Page

Walt Roman, Sports Editor

Dominic Paterra, Freshman Editor

Golf Team Places 3-2 Record in Matches

The following is a resume of the five matches in which the golf team has participated. Alma, in its first match of the season played host to a strong Adrian team. It was a heavily overcast day with a strong wind blowing. Fortunately, despite all the weather hazards, our Scots came through the victors. The score was 11½ to 3½ with the scoring divided quite evenly among the home squad. Doyle McIntosh was the medalist of the contest, shooting a low 86.

The matches following were with Hope and Olivet respectively. Our putters polished off these opponents with identical scores of 9 to 6. Again Doyle McIntosh exhibited some sharpshooting with a low of 80. Gerry Mayer took a total of five points in both these contests.

Kalamazoo then played host to Alma and put an end to their winning ways with an 11½ to 3½. This was one of the few matches in which the weather was not a handicap. Doyle McIntosh continued his fine shooting, posting an 84 and scoring 3 points. Hillsdale visited here next and promptly hung the second defeat on our golfers by the score of 11 to 4. Bob Weaver, who shot 81, earned two of the total four points.

Golf Team Statistics:

	G	Ave	Pts
Doyle McIntosh	5	84	7
Gerry Mayer	5	85	8½
Robert Knoblauch	5	86	8
Bob Weaver	5	86	5½
Renny Bacon	4	91	6
Sammy Stafford	1	98	3

Fields Upsets Exo, Hope Tennis Star

Our racket squad, under the leadership of Coach Stielstra, almost toppled a strong Hope team last week. The final score was four sets to three in Hope's favor. One heartening factor was John Fields' upset of Warren Exo of Hope. Exo is probably the finest player in MIAA competition.

Coach Stielstra also had a lot of praise for Gordie Macdonald, who has shown a great deal of poise. Here are some recent results: Central Michigan and Calvin have beaten us twice, while we have lost single games to Albion and Hope. Our court men had a comparatively easy time with Adrian and Olivet, beating the former 6 to 1 and the latter in two matches by default. Coach Stielstra says we have a fairly good team and should win more matches. He also said that four of our losses could have easily gone our way.

Zetas, Delts Battle for All-Sports Trophy

There is a battle royal looming between Zeta Chargers and Delt Dodgers for the Intramural All-Sports Trophy. The two teams are now participating in the final sport of the season, softball. Any one of these teams that ends up the highest in the league standings will probably win the trophy.

At the moment the Zetas and Phi Pheiffers are tied for first place with identical won-three-lost-none records. The Annex is next with one victory and one defeat, while Delt Dodgers follow with a two and two record. It is hoped the student body will turn out for the championship game which will be played on Campus day between the two top teams.

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"B" Squad Suffers First Defeat

The "B" squad suffered its first loss of the season to Mt. Pleasant by the score of 10 to 9. It was a loosely played contest in which both teams were guilty of errors. The Mt. Pleasant squad took a one run lead in the very first inning on an error, a walk, and a single. They were never headed thereafter. It looked as though the young Scots would come back in the seventh as Marv Raab hit a three-run homer. It was blasted over the storm fence in straight away center field. The score stood 10 to 9 in the ninth, when, with the tying run on second, Dom Pater-
ra struck out, ending the game. The fielding gem of the game occurred in the eighth inning when Dick Heinrich made a one handed catch of a sinking line drive. Ron Wenson and Marv Raab shared the hitting honors with three hits each John Schwagle, in the seven innings which he pitched, allowed seven hits and ten runs Bill Palm chucked the last inning, setting the side down in order. Schwagle was charged with the loss, his first of the season.

		AB	H	R
Cook	rf	4	0	1
Lindy	rf	0	0	0
Coe	2b	3	0	0
Pater- ra	2b	1	0	1
Raab	ss	4	3	2
Wenson	cf	4	3	2
Drum- m	1b	3	1	1
Miller	1b	0	0	0
Carleton	3b	4	1	0
Freer	lf	3	1	1
Heinrich	lf	1	0	0
Pierson	c	3	1	1
Neal	c	0	0	0
Schwagle	p	3	1	0
Palm	p	1	1	0
Box Score		34	12	9

Track Team Falters Again at Tri-Meet

Alma's track team went down to its fourth straight defeat in a recent meet at Mt. Pleasant. It was a tri-meet with Bay City, Alma, and Mt. Pleasant competing. To add more gloom to the cloudy day, our Scots ended up last. The only bright spot of the meet was the showing of "Big" Bob Graham. He took three firsts and one second, making up a total of 18 points, almost half of what the whole team compiled. It must be said that Bob is indeed the work-horse of the team.

Other results were Phil Smith, third in the mile, and John Maurer, second in the hundred yard dash and fourth in the twenty. Vern Hansen was also in the twenty race, in which he ran a very good second. Fred Immer placed fourth in the two mile while Bill Eisler was fourth in the shot-put.

Our next meet is May 22 at Kalamazoo, when all the teams from the conference will participate.

Faculty Recommends Seniors

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For the State of Michigan Secondary Provisional Certificate:

1. William H. Arbury
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12. Ronald R. Horman
13. Lois Ann Howell
14. Lorraine Bernice Jackson
15. Lester Wayne Johnson
16. Robert Wylie King
17. Alda Joan French Kittrick
18. George Bowman Lawrence, Jr.
19. Phillip David Long
20. Frank Albert Martin
21. Maurice Welch Martin
22. Mary Kathryn Menovske
23. Richard Lee Moore
24. Marcus August Morman
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26. Keith Edward Nielsen
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28. Marguerite Phillips
29. Clifton Bradley Pitts
30. Walter James Roman
31. Richard James Roth
32. Kathleen Marilyn Shaw
33. William Gene Smith
34. Samuel E. Stafford
35. Donald Lewis Sywassink
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For the State of Michigan Elementary Provisional Certificate after additional work:

1. Greta Perry Bond

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The Editor's Letterbox

May 12, 1953

Rules have been set up for our new union which do seem to be necessary in order to regulate a few students who still have to be told what to do. The rule that this letter is pertaining to is that which asks us not to bring food into the lounges.

A few students, those who seem to feel that no rule applies to them, have violated this; but this is not the reason for my writing this letter.

Last Sunday during an outside function in the auditorium many guests brought food into the main lounge. Why should exception be made for these people? A number of faculty members were present, but they seemed to ignore the mess being made.

If these rules were made for us, why shouldn't they apply to everyone who has the occasion of using the building?

Marilyn Gordon.