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Band to Present First of Two Concerts Sunday



Trombonists who are practicing for Sunday's Winter Band Concert are, left to right, Richard Watterworth, Tom Minshall, and Dan Goodearl.

This Sunday, February 20, at 4:00 p.m. the Alma College Concert Band will present its Annual Winter Concert in the Jerry Tyler Student Center Auditorium. Tickets will be on sale at the door. General admission will be fifty cents and student admission will be twenty-five cents.

The Concert Band, formed each year immediately following the football season, gives two concerts a year, the Annual Winter Concert and the Spring Concert on Campus Day. Carole Cummings, band president, says that plans are under way for making a 'Pops Concert' an annual affair also. "This," she says, "is still in the 'if and when' stage."

Officers of the band include Mary Margaret Johnson, Secretary; Phil Chisholm, Manager; Stu Young, Manager; and Tom Dodd, Librarian.

Professor Robert E. Rufener, Band Director, gives the following for the program of the concert:

The Man among Men Fillmore
Water Music Suite Handel
Prelude and Fugue Bach
Slavonic Festival Scarlatti
Ballet Music from William Tell Rossini

Intermission
March in E flat Bruckner
If Thou Be Near Bach
Symphony No. 1 Saint-Saens
Scottish Folk Suite Davis

Members taking part in the Annual Winter Concert will be:

Elfreda Beyer, Spencer Cordes, Phil Chisholm, Carole Cummings, Tom Dodd, Irene Emerson, Dan Goodearl, Carl Green, Dale Hanson, Mary Lou Heberlein, Jean Hicks, Jim Hill, George Huysken, Don Jackson, Mary Margaret Johnson, Dick Knowles, Jackie LaDree, Bob MacKenzie, Jake Messman, Ed Passenger, Jim Perry, Janet Potter, Karan Pregitzer, Ann Reavey, Ray Shamberger, Ken Smith, Wendy Smith, Carolyn Taylor, Dick Watterworth, Alma Woods, and Stu Young.

Christ Goutis Third In Peace Oratory



Christ Goutis, Alma freshman, is shown here giving his Peace oration, "If We are But Humans."

Christ Goutis, Alma freshman, placed third in Intercollegiate Peace Oratory in the contest held here last Saturday. First and second place winners were Andrew Rienstra, Calvin; and Robert Winter, Hope; respectively. Winners in the women's division of oratory and in both divisions of extempore speech were also announced.

"Sticks and Stones Can Break Their Bones" was the title of the second place winner, Robert Winter's speech, which outlined the devastating effects of the modern weapons of war.

Goutis' oration, "If We are but Humans," outlined the place of a program of agricultural assistance as a solution to the problem of World peace. He told about the loss of crops in Iraq due to the lack of funds for the extermination of the locusts.

Present Prizes at Banquet

Prof. Otis Aggett of Albion, contest chairman, was master of ceremonies at the banquet which followed the all day contests. He introduced Carl Huhon, Grand Chancellor of the Michigan Knights of Pythias, which sponsored the contest, and Charles F. Andress, Grand Secretary. Prizes of \$25, \$15 and \$10 in each division were presented by Mr. Lawler, Grand Chairman of Public Speaking Contests.

Prof. and Mrs. M. Harold Mickle of Alma were hosts for the contests. Alma College speech students were chairmen of the various speaking sessions which took place during the day.

To Hold Bradley Oratory In Chapel Monday, 8:30

Finals for the Elizabeth Bradley Oratorical Contest will be held at 8:30 p.m. in the college chapel on Monday, February 21, 1955. There are two divisions in the contest, one for men and one for women.

Entrants thus far in the women's division are Janet Anderson, Lydia Wu and Virginia Adams. Entrants in the men's division are Tom Scholl and Bob Fritz.

Topics for this contest are selected by the students with the approval of Mr. Mickle, the head of the speech department. Oratory is a very old type of public speaking which emphasizes the presentation of a problem and the offering of a solution.

Dr. Preston W. Bradley is the sponsor of this contest. Each year Dr. Bradley gives the sum of \$100 to Alma College for this contest.

First prize in both men's and women's divisions in the contest is \$25, second prize, \$15 and third prize, \$10.

Three Fraternities to Extend Bids in Chapel next Friday

With the three fraternity smokers out of the way, the three campus fraternities will seek new blood next week. Using the eligibility lists drawn up by the registrar, they will vote on new members at their regular Monday meetings.

Bids will not be disclosed until Friday morning following chapel. Bids must be accepted as this time unless other arrangements are made with Dean Stielstra before the extension of bids takes place.

Hear Lecture on Tooth Decay

A group from the chemistry department attended a meeting of the American Chemical Society at Midland, February 14. The subject was "Chemistry and Tooth Decay." Dr. Gerald Cox, director of the School of Dentistry at the University of Pittsburgh was the speaker. He talked on the value of the fluoridation of water in the prevention of cavities.

Those attending were Dr. Potter, Dr. Eyer, Mr. Skinner, Janet Nunn, Bill Paige, Bob Hoag, Bill Luger, John Bremer, Lowell Lindy, Donelda Hamp and Irene Emerson.

Sophomore Dance to Be Departure

Color, excitement, Hollywood sensationalism and a slight tinge of sex!!! That's what the Sophomore Class hints as the theme for their coming 'Anniversary Ball', to be held in Tyler, February 26, at 8:30 p.m.

Tom Dodd, president of the Sophomore Class says, "This third celebration of the dedication of Jerry Tyler Student Center may be a turning point in ideas which will be reflected in every following party or dance in Tyler. A good idea is worth copying, and we think we have a very good idea!" Marilyn Mott and Jim Amell, co-chairmen of the decorations committee promise a radical and entertaining change of pace in atmosphere. Jim says, "Many changes are being made from the conventional ways of giving a dance here at Alma."

Enrollment Drops 17; 59 Do Not Return

Second semester enrollment shows a drop of seventeen over last semester, according to an announcement made recently by Molly Parrish, registrar. Total enrollment for semester 138 is 520, an increase of 10% over last year's spring enrollment. Of the fifty-nine students who withdrew during semester 137 or did not return during semester 138, eight are graduates and five are transfer students.

Enrollment figures for semester 138 are as follows:

	Men	Women	Total
Seniors	31	17	48
Juniors	63	36	99
Sophomores	86	64	150
Freshmen	145	63	208
Specials	10	5	15
Total	335	185	520

To Brief Sophomores On Testing Program

Sophomores will meet following chapel March 4 to be briefed on the General Culture, the English test, and the National Affairs tests, which they will be given on March 8, according to an announcement made today by Dean William J. McKeefery.

Purpose of the national tests is to determine the ranking of Alma college sophomores with other college students throughout the nation.

Deutschers to Hear U of M. German Prof at March 1 Meet

"Germany Today" will be the title of the speech to be given by Dr. Frank Lambasa, professor of German at the University of Michigan, when die lustige Gesellschaft holds a meeting open to the public on Tuesday, March 1.

Reports on various geographical sections of Germany were given by Kay Soucie, Marge Jones, and Ke Magnuson at the meeting held last Tuesday night.

Students Lead Service and Conduct Survey at White Lake Church

Four Alma College students helped conduct the Sunday morning service and twenty students cooperated in a community religious census for the White Lake Presbyterian Church last Sunday. The survey was directed by Rev. Robert V. Woods, Synod of Michigan Field Director of National Missions for the Presbyterian Church.

Lee Posey, Don Drew, Gay Brunelle, and Lois Welberry helped the pastor, Rev. Robert Von-Ooyen, conduct the Sunday morning service, after which the group of Alma College students and young people of the church gathered for the survey.

Over 500 homes in the community were polled on their church membership and preference by the group, which was organized into teams of three and four in each car for the purpose.

Dinner was served to the group by the women of the church. Following the afternoon survey, the group returned to the church for refreshments and games.

Vanden Bosch Comments On Campus Unity in Monday Chapel Talk

Dr. Vanden Bosch, the new assistant to the President, made his first formal appearance before the student body on Monday, February fourteenth, as the Chapel speaker. Dr. Vanden Bosch was formerly from Wayne University where he was head of student personnel work.

In the text of his speech he commented on Alma's 'spirit of unity' and how, on a campus such as this, everyone is on 'common ground'. He said that in our society today no one should be 'lonely or apart from the rest!' It is everyone's duty to participate, to work, and to contribute to the surrounding groups. People are at that restless stage now, and especially young people, when the question 'what is ahead?' faces us. The only way to see through all these 'paradoxical contradictions', Dr. Vanden Bosch said, was 'to combine religion and democracy' and to 'live the life of a Christian.' It is a challenge to us here at Alma College to be 'working Christians' and it is the purpose of Alma College to guide 'tomorrow's leaders.'

Dr. Vanden Bosch seems to have a deep interest in the students of Alma College and was well accepted by the student body.

Korean Student to Speak at Universal Prayer Day, Sunday

Aaron Park, Seoul, Korea senior will be the speaker at the Universal Day of Prayer for Students service to be held in the college chapel next Sunday at 2:00 p.m. Other students will also assist with the service.

The effect of prayer upon people's lives will be the theme of the service, which is sponsored internationally by the United Student Christian Council, and locally by the Alma Christian Association.

Students all over the world will be gathering for this service.

Janet McLeod to Play Recital

Janet E. McLeod, Roseville junior, will present her Junior Recital Sunday, February 27, at 4:00 p.m. in the chapel. She will be assisted by the Men's Chorus.

Janet is a member of Erin Presbyterian Church in Roseville and is a 1952 graduate of Eastland High School. She is majoring in music education and has minors in English and Spanish.

Her program is as follows:

- I
- Sonata, Op. 7 Beethoven
- Allegro molto e con brio
- Miss McLeod
- II
- Preludes, Op. 28 Chopin
- No. 4 in E major
- No. 3 in G major
- No. 15 in D flat major
- No. 18 in F minor
- Miss McLeod
- III
- She Walks in Beauty C. Armstrong Gibbs
- Sing, Maiden, Sing Selim Palmgren
- Sea Fever Mark Andrews
- In the Dark, in the Dew, Joseph W. Clokey
- Men's Chorus
- IV
- La plus que lente (Valse) Debussy
- Prelude, Op. 12, No. 7 Prokofieff
- Tocata Khachaturian
- Miss McLeod

Dr. Dicks Speaks In Chapel Today

In chapel this morning, Dr. Dicks spoke on "The Human Quest," a study of man's attempt to understand the universe through science, philosophy and religion. Student leader of the service was Don Darling.

Monday Last Day To Drop Classes

The late day to withdraw from classes without penalty is next Monday, Feb. 21, according to an announcement made by Molly Parrish, registrar, today.

Spanish Clubs to Present Movie Here, Feb. 25

Alma students are soon to have the thrill of a Mexican Buside right on their own campus. This bus passes over a narrow mountain road which winds through beautiful Acapulca, Mexico. On this busride one can see more about Mexican people than in many trips over the border.

They will be able to take this bus trip in the form of an international prize winning film which will be on campus next Friday, February 25, sponsored by the Spanish clubs.

It is a movie in which literally, everything happens. All phases of Mexican life are gathered and bound into one thrilling story. It is sad, joyous, tempting, thrilling and truly Mexican.

Council Plans Scholarship

Basic need, scholarship, and curricular activities were decided to be the most important factors in the awarding of the proposed Student Council Scholarship, it was decided by that body at their regular meeting Tuesday.

Bill McIntosh, Jack Carleton, and George Spriggs compose a committee to work out a plan for administering the Scholarship. Dean McKeefery and the Scholarship committee will assist in the selection of the recipient.

The following action was also taken by the council:

1. The student council assembly will be held April 27.
2. Final approval of the four-night family style dinners is pending.
3. Members, who are replaced after three unexcused absences, will be excused only for illness or school business.

Brotherhood: Pull Together!

Next week is Brotherhood Week. It is sponsored by the National Conference of Christians and Jews. President Dwight Eisenhower is honorary chairman of the observance which will encompass educational institutions, religious and civic organizations, labor-management groups, newspapers, magazines, motion pictures, radio and television.

The purpose of the week is, of course, to re-emphasize the need for the brotherhood of man. As Dr. Everett Clinchy, president of the National Conference, says: "Brotherhood Week is essentially a campaign against the prejudices and bigotries that disfigure and distort religious, business, social and political relations."

"Brotherhood of man" can seem vague and unreal. We may feel, as the boy said when his mother told him that God put him on earth to help others, "What are the other people here for?" But we must start with ourselves. If each of us strives to fill our responsibility, we won't need to worry about whether someone else is doing his share.

Have you ever wondered why four or five men could rob a train in the old West? If all the passengers had arisen at once, the robbers would not have had a chance. But each passenger was afraid that it just might be he that would get hurt in the struggle. We can all defeat intolerance together, but not if each of us feels that he might do more than his share.

One of the biggest enemies of prejudice is knowledge. Dr. Clinchy puts it well: "By getting to know the other fellow, the one who has a different creed, race or national origin than yours, by understanding his viewpoint, his ambitions and goals, you will find old prejudices disappear." We certainly do not lack means of communication and transportation today in order to find out about other people.

As we should begin brotherhood by putting it on a personal basis, we should also put it on a national basis before we try to make it international. Can we do it in such a diverse country as the United States?

Well, you probably won't find a more diverse group than the Secretariat of the United Nations. There are some 4,000 members who represent a majority of the nationalities in the world. There is every race, color, religion, language, culture and ideology. Ralph Bunche, Director of the Department of Trusteeship of the United Nations says that these people "work and play together in impressive harmony. Genuine friendships cut across all lines; social and athletic clubs are formed on the sole basis of common interest; there is an easy informality and camaraderie in relationships; and there is, of course, no little courting and marriage." If they can do it, we certainly can, and certainly have done a great deal towards this goal of brotherhood.

We began with many nationalities, and have made them into one. Although we made slaves, we have at least freed them. When the Supreme Court decided in May that racial segregation in the public schools of the United States is illegal, there was a great step forward. There is still bitterness in some quarters over this decision, which should not have been necessary in the first place, but we are progressing. The very fact that Brotherhood Week is sponsored by Christians and Jews together is a significant fact.

Wax angels, sold in stores as decorative candles, now come with black faces as well as white. A mural in a Danish mission church near the North Pole pictures Christ in Eskimo garb. In an antique religious painting, done in Eastern Pennsylvania, the Bible characters are unmistakably Pennsylvania Dutch. These may appear mere trifles, but Gilbert Love of the Pittsburgh (Pa.) Press calls them "tremendous trifles"—and indeed they are.

One thing brotherhood does not mean is that we must accept everyone whether we like them or not. But if we can learn to accept or reject a person strictly on his merits as a human being, we have come a long way.

Doug Nietzsche

Dodd Ponders Family Style

Dear Editor,

No knowing who is responsible, I am writing this letter to you, hoping that this Simon LeGree of the digestive world will hear my probably useless plea.

Since Christmas, the uncontented stomachs of Alma College have been trying to adjust themselves to the to-have-family-styles-or-not-to-have-family-styles debate.

The tough part of it is, that at 'dress-up' dinners we must assume the attire of ladies and gentlemen, and be fed in the semi-gloom from the half-size serving dishes. The other side of the story is equally as heart rendering: It's the same old push, shove, run, jump, spring, block, hurdle through a twelve-a-breast line. At such times one would think the motto of the dear old Alma Mater should be "Hurry up and Wait." Nevertheless, at present we are in a constant state of not knowing whether to adjust our schedules or our appetites, so my final plea is, if you can hear it over my growling stomach, "please be consistent in this mess!"

Hungry yours,
Tom Dodd

P. S.

Although I dislike quotes, as a great man once said, "If we could install another dining hall on the other side of the campus, the competition might show some marked changes"

Worth and Bush Attend Home Ec Convention

Leaving Wednesday, February 9, were Joan Bush and Isabelle Worth for Chicago, Illinois, where they attended the National Home Economics Convention held February 10-11-12.

The local club was able to defray most of the expenses to send these girls by the funds maintained by selling candied apples, sandwiches, dolls, and the regular dues of the club.

The Home Economics Club held its regular business meeting, Tuesday evening, February 8, in the Home Economics Department located in the Arts Building. The meeting was opened by the newly elected president—Joan Bush.

Future meetings of the semester were discussed upon which a committee was appointed to schedule dates for demonstrations, work meetings and business meetings. The committee consisted of Janet Kerby, Pat Sowers and Marilyn Castile.

The next meeting will be held on February 22 at which a resume of their experience, given and received, will be given which we hope will be of great benefit to our club.

Doyle McIntosh Is Sportsman and Politician

By Howard Wiley

Doyle LaRue McIntosh was the full name given to the youngest of two boys by Mr. and Mrs. R. O. McIntosh, back in 1933 on September 16. His birthplace was in the location of a small oil lease in the town of Bixby, Oklahoma.

After spending three years in Bixby the McIntosh family moved to Hazel Park where they have made their residence since. Mrs. McIntosh is a teacher in Hazel Park schools and Mr. McIntosh has been with Lincoln Motor Car for 18 years.

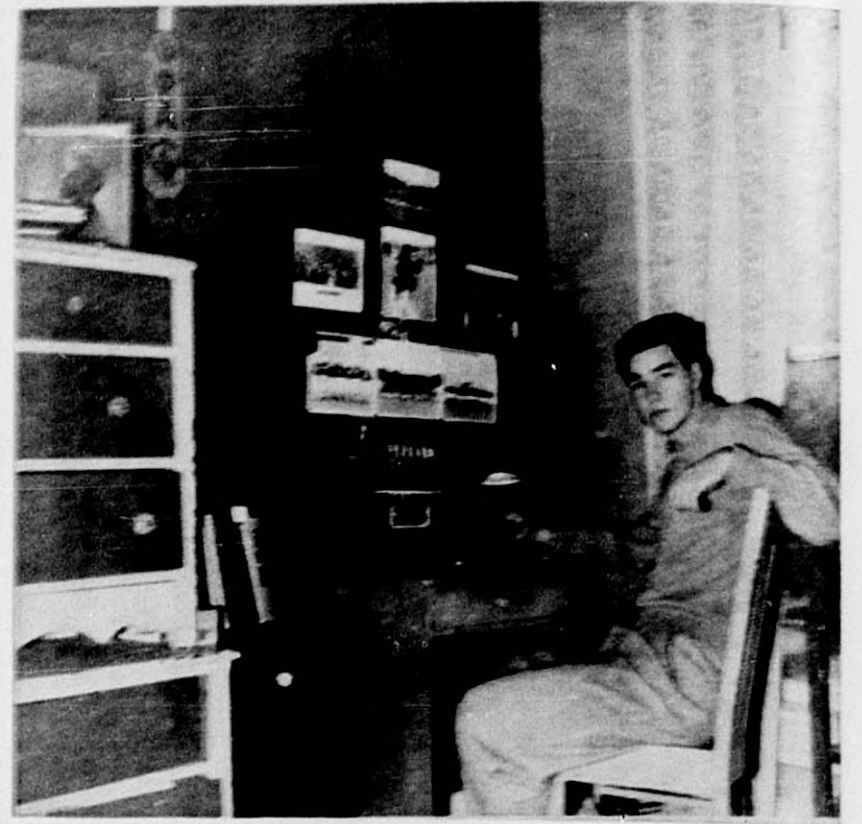
Doyle attended his elementary grades in United Oaks grade school where he was named as Captain of the Safety Patrol an honor for his personal pride and for the respect gained by his classmates.

He entered Hazel Park High School in September 1947, bringing with him an almost perfect academic record. While in his freshman year in high school he was elected to represent his class on the student council, and this office he held all through school. Also, participating in all major sports while a freshman helped convince his classmates that he should be their king at the annual high school Coronation Ball.

In his years as an upper classman Doyle was one of seven boys chosen to represent Hazel Park at Wolverine Boys State. In his junior year he was most proud when elected by the faculty to the National Honor Society, and became President of that Organization in his senior year.

Being elected Vice-President of the Student Council also helped fill his extra-curricular activity list. That included two years of the all Eastern Michigan League varsity football, being selected in team both years and being mentioned on All-State teams both years. His two years of varsity golf led to his selection as captain in his junior year. He also received a letter in basketball in his senior year, and was sought by several colleges for his athletic ability.

Upon graduating from high school Doyle decided to enroll at Alma college, due to his many friends here, including his elder brother Bill, who is now in his junior year, and who is a Korean War veteran. Mr. B. A. McCloy, who is a loyal alumnus and now boys' counselor at Hazel Park, had a great deal to do with convincing Doyle of the opportuni-



Doyle LaRue McIntosh sits at his desk at the Phi house.

ties offered at Alma.

In his freshman year, Doyle was elected to the student council, and was also a member of the championship Scot football team. Doyle has earned four letters in football and golf and is likely to letter in basketball this year. He was captain of the golf team in his sophomore year and was a vital part of the championship team of a year ago.

Doyle is a member of Phi Phi Alpha fraternity and was vice-president last semester. He is now the vice-president of the senior class. He is proud of his accomplishments on the Phi pool table, where he is known as "House Champ." Also, he is currently leading the high single game bowling mark, with a 202 game.

One of the most memorable events of his career here at Alma, was a two-week vacation in Florida, where he and five of his fraternity brothers lived it up, sporting real tans on their return, to make everyone envious of their trip.

Although Doyle and Miss Jean Spencer, to whom he is pinned, have no immediate plans, they are seldom seen separately. They will probably not set a date until his future is more definite. Jean is a sophomore from Saginaw, and may teach in the elementary level.

Doyle is planning on a teaching career and has prepared himself by receiving a major in mathematics and minors in history and physical education. Although he would like to start teaching as soon as possible, it is likely that his first two years will be at the expense of Uncle Sam, in khaki colors.

I happen to know that one of Doyle's pet hobbies is teaching his dog, "Buttons", a black cocker spaniel, new tricks. He is proud of his dog's ability to climb up and down a ladder, which he has demonstrated to me several times. One of his pet peeves is anyone who demonstrates his many talents in a boisterous manner.

Doyle has helped himself through college by directing a playground in the recreation department of Hazel Park in the summer, and worked part time as a carrier of U. S. Mails during Christmas vacation.

I can't help but feel that Doyle will be a great success in life and a credit to his future profession. I honestly believe he deserves to be a representative of Alma College in "Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities."

I know everyone will feel as I do, that when Doyle graduates this year he will truly be missed on our campus. Doyle is on the road to success!

Wright Hall Women Mourn Loss of Rosemary

by Tom Dodd

Tragedy struck here on the Alma College Campus at about 7:45 Monday evening, January twenty-fourth. It all happened on the fourth floor of Wright Hall. Actually, it was the fourth floor 'powder room', but, social etiquette, etc. well, you know what I mean.

The whole crisis stemmed from the fact that Joannie Fredericks was cleaning the bowl of her beloved goldfish, Rosemary, when in the house-cleaning process, Rosemary decided to take a tour of Wright Hall via the plumbing apparatus. This was all well and good until the bowl was thoroughly polished and Joannie bade Rosemary to return when Rosemary proved to be reluctant in her return. Joan panicked! Her first words were, (and I quote) "ROSEMARY!"

Needless to say, Rosemary failed to return. Several theories are floating around campus as to her possible whereabouts. One is that she eventually found her way to the Pine River and is said to be sporting around with the local carp. Another is that she still inhabits the catacombs of Wright Hall. (catacombs in this instance meaning sewers.) Those following this story refuse to pour warm water down the drains.

The third theory, and Heaven help us if it is true, is that Rosemary, by some hook or crook, fell into the clever clutches of Tom Manion of Saga Dining Halls. (enuf said)

Several noted goldfish experts have commented in regards to the dilemma. Howard, the night watchman, said, "Hmhmhmhmhmhmhm." Mrs. Hall, house mother at Wright Hall, said, "EEEEEEEEEEEEEE." Mr. Merritt, business manager of the college, said, "Where's my plunger?" Joannie Fredericks, ex-owner of Rosemary, repeating her-



lest, and probably least, Rosemary's last comment was said to

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have been. "GLURG."

A rumor, said to be coming from the direction of the office of J.S.H. was that the name of the new Knox-Reid Administration Building was to be changed, in Rosemary's honor to the 'Rosemary Foundation for Overprivileged Goldfish.' This, of course, is still in the planning stage and no definite facts can be given.

To sum it all up, the moral of the story is: If, while waiting in the main lounge of Wright Hall, a peculiar odor arises . . . well . . .

Announce New Final Deadlines

In order to facilitate the processing of copy for the almanian, the following deadlines will be in effect for the remainder of semester 138. Deadlines must be rigidly adhered to, and in the event that any article cannot be turned in in time for deadline, the editor should be contacted:

Date of Issue	Deadline
Friday, March 4, Tuesday, March 1, 1:00 p.m.	
Friday, March 18, Tuesday, March 15, 1:00 p.m.	
Tuesday, March 29, Friday, March 25, 4:00 p.m.	
(Easter Vacation April 1-10, no paper)	
Friday, April 29, Tuesday, April 26, 1:00 p.m.	
Tuesday, May 17 (Campus Day), Friday, May 13, 4:00 p.m.	

Final deadline for photographic coverage of any event will be one day (24 hours) before the above copy deadlines.

"And if you be willing to serve the Lord, choose this day whom you will serve; whether the gods your fathers served in the region beyond the River; or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you dwell; but as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord." Joshua 24:15

Connecticut U Invites Nationals

Storrs, Conn. (I.P.) — The University of Connecticut is extending an invitation to national fraternities to affiliate with the locals now on campus, according to a recent issue of the Inter-fraternity Research and Advisory Council publication. Mr. Reuben B. Johnson, assistant director of student personnel, stated the prerequisites for establishing a chapter. These include:

1. The Constitution and By-laws of the national must not contain clauses which restrict membership because of race, religion, or national origin.
2. The national organizations should have chapters located on campuses in New England and the mid-Atlantic states, preferable at institutions with which this University has intercollegiate competition and other inter-change of activities.
3. The membership fees and other financial aspects of membership should be comparable with those fraternities which are presently operating on campus.

Spikettes to Dance



Alpha Theta Spikettes will entertain at the Spike Jones Tavern tomorrow night. They are, Betty Anderson, standing, and, left to right, Karen Abbott and Fran Booth.

COME TO THE THETA TAVERN

Are you tired of dress-up dances with their sedate and formal savour? Then come to the Theta Tavern, it has an entirely different flavour. The dress is casual; the cost very slight. Come stag or drag and dance all night. It's a Spike Jones Tavern, and you know what that means. You can let yourself go till you burst at the seams. You can fill yourself with pretzels from head to foot, And wash them down with beer, (preceded by a "root"). Although it is a tavern, we keep down to earth, But it will make you blithe and filled with merry mirth. Yes, there'll be beer, pretzels and tables with candles tall, But Spike's entertainment is the best part of all. His band will play and the Spikettes will dance, And perhaps a vocalist to put you in a trance. Then, something happens that comes to disturb the pace. Three country girls enter, and they're entirely out of place. These girls, tired of their beaus, choose to leave the sticks, Determined to find and marry anyone but their hicks. Spike lends a hand and puts them at ease, He entertains, consoles them, and then their sadness leaves. I really shouldn't tell you everything by golly, But if interested—get a liquor card from any Theta dolly.

Social Calendar

- 18 Kalamazoo, there Friday
- Theta Tavern 8:00 p.m., Saturday
- 20 Universal Day of Prayer for Students 2:00 p.m., Sunday
- Band Concert, Tyler, 4:00 p.m., Sunday
- Westminster Fellowship, 7:00 p.m., Sunday
- 21 Chapel, A. J. Ferry, 11:00 a.m., Monday
- Bradley Oratorical Contest, chapel 8:30 p.m., Monday
- 22 Student Council 6:30 p.m., Tuesday
- El Circulo Espanol, 7:00 p.m., Tuesday
- Le Cercle Francais, 7:00 p.m., Tuesday
- Home Ec Club 7:00 p.m., Tuesday
- Chemistry Club 7:00 p.m., Tuesday
- 23 Assembly, "The Magic Barrel" 11:00 a.m., Wednesday
- Administrative Council 3:00 p.m., Wednesday
- Faculty Study Group I, 5:30 p.m., Wednesday
- Vets Club 6:15 p.m., Wednesday
- A.C.A. 7:00 p.m., Wednesday
- Adrian, here Wednesday
- 24 Biology Club 7:00 p.m., Thursday
- 25 Student chapel with choir 1:00 a.m., Friday
- Fraternity Bidding, chapel Friday
- Spanish movie, "Subida al Cielo",

Greek Groups Hot on Rushing Plans Freshmen See Dirty Rushing

Thetas Organize for Three Events

The membership of the Theta fraternal group has varied somewhat since last semester. Peg Tinny has left school to work for a semester and Carry Crain has transferred to Wayne University. Mary Sova, a member of the spring pledge class of '53' who has been attending school at Central Michigan, rejoined their ranks.

They have been very busy working on their tavern dance which is scheduled for this Saturday night. It's going to be a Spike Jones Tavern, and as you can imply from the appellation, a very casual dance. The committee heads for the dance are: Advertising, Jackie McAllister; tickets, Connie McCall; refreshments, Karen Abbott; decorations, Pat Smith; and entertainment, Edna Williams. They're putting a lot of work into the entertainment and hope that many students will

be there to see it.

In addition to the dance they've been planning for two other events. On February 13, they gave a Valentine's Tea in the sorority room in honor of patronesses and the house mothers of the campus, and on the following Wednesday they helped sponsor a Pre-Rushing Tea, which was held in the auditorium of the student union.

They've had three visitors at their meetings recently. Mrs. Blanc and Mrs. Roberts joined their circle week before last, and last Monday one of last year's graduates, Alice (nee Welsh) Davie, visited us.

A PLUG: Alf E. Theta, Liquor Control Commissioner, cordially invites you to attend the Theta's Spike Jones Tavern this Saturday night.

Kappa Iotas Give Valentine Tea

An annual Valentine Tea honoring the patronesses, the house mothers, and Dean Vreeland was given in the Kappa Iota sorority room, Sunday, February 13.

A Tri Sorority Tea, the first of the spring rushing activities was given on Wednesday, February 16, in Tyler Auditorium. Further plans for rushing events are in process.

The sorority wishes to thank Betty Burns, Marilyn Castile, and Mary Margaret Johnson on their money making project.

Congratulations to the Sig Phi's on their fine dance.

Velvetones Entertain At Phi Phi Alpha Smoker

Last night the Phi Phi Alpha house was the scene of the annual Phi Smoker. Musical entertainment was provided by the Velvetones and the Phi Octet, while Homer Smith and Tom Dodd did a pantomime and Dave Zittel provided miscellaneous entertainment.

We wish to congratulate the members of Delta Gamma Tau and Delta Sigma Phi on their fine smokers.

Sports. In basketball the Pfeifers and Zebras won while the Athletes forfeited. In bowling the first and second teams each picked up four points in the first week's action, while the third team lost two games.

Why Join A Fraternity?

This is not a question which can be answered dogmatically. Possibly there are as many answers as there are persons who belong to fraternities. Each man derives values from his fraternity life according to his own individual inclinations, tastes and desires.

Perhaps in the early days of the fraternity movement the distinction of being a fraternity man and having the privilege of wearing a jeweled pin answered in abundant measure the question of the average rushee as to why he should join a fraternity. But this is not true today. It is an honor and a distinction to be a member of a college fraternity, and it is so regarded by a vast majority of the American people.

A fraternity is a brotherhood. This implies that the basis of union existing among its members is the closest tie which can bind men to one another. Its aim is to bring together in intimate association a comparatively small group of college students who will be congenial, loyal and helpful to one another during their college years and, so far as circumstances will permit, throughout their lives.

If a man would be contented he must learn how to get along with others. In no place is this great lesson taught better than in the fraternity chapter.

Loyalty is defined as another characteristic which the fraternity strives to develop in its men. The well-trained fraternity man will develop loyalty, not only to his fraternity but also to his Alma Mater, and to all other worthy organizations to which he owes allegiance. These are the outstanding values which the sincere neophyte can expect to attain from fraternity memberships.

Delt Sigma Phi Fraternity Pledge Manual

Delts Hold Smoker Tuesday Night

Firemen remained alerted for a possible outbreak. The thin film of smoke that rose near the front doors soon gathered substance, filling the first floor rooms, the upstairs and the basement. Fire? No, it was the annual smoker of Delta Gamma Tau with plenty of cigarettes and cigars for everyone.

From 8:30 to 10:30, guests mingled with members smoking; playing cards, pingpong, billiards and viewing television. At 10:00, president Converse welcomed the independent men and told one of his fabulous jokes; then the entertainment began. Carson Hollingsworth, pledge master, performed the duties as master of ceremonies. Interspersing humorous stories at various points, choruses of laughter from an enthusiastic audience rang out from start to finish. Ford, Steckum, and Miller joined voices in a striking song concerning football. Tim Harrison gave his rendition of "Why Birds Whistle". The question remained unanswered but astounding facts about shyness and Anthony and Cleopatra were brought to light. Jim was accompanied by "birdslayer" Bennet-straightman. Presented next was Larry Parks who shed some light on fraternal parties presented in the form of a poem. The Deltaires concluded with "Them Bones." The program was in keeping with the best of smoker traditions. Food was served and the evening concluded.

The fraternity takes this opportunity to offer their sincerest congratulations to Walt Morton and Mary DeVries on their recent marriage engagement.

Sig Phi's Hold Annual "Amote"

The Sigma Phi Sorority held its annual dance, the "Amote", Saturday, February 15, in Tyler Auditorium.

According to tradition, the Sig Phi's honored St. Valentine and the students of Alma Campus with a girl-bid dance. Music by the Velvetones started the gala occasion off at 8:30 p.m. The intermission consisted of a floor show, put on by the girls, and light refreshments. Prof. and Mrs. Harlan McCall and Prof. and Mrs. Walton Myrum acted as chaperones.

The campus commends the girls on a fine dance and an enjoyable evening.

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Damon Colbert will show slides of work at Dodge Community House in Detroit at the February 23 meeting of the Alma Christian Association.

Poli Indicates Tension At Amherst College

Amherst, Mass. — (I.P.) — Thirty freshmen out of a total of 108 polled during last year's preferential fraternity rushing period at Amherst College indicated that they had seen strong evidence of rushing prior to that time, according to a report released here.

"Over-friendliness" was the chief characteristic attributed to upper class "sociability" which took the form of bull sessions, dinner groups and late evening snack invitations.

Amherst is set up on a 100% opportunity membership basis! There is no compulsion or attempt to control fraternities on the part of the administration, but the social code and ideals of the student body force total membership. Each fraternity and the Lord Jeff Club is given a quota of 18 men or 1/14 of those who indicate a desire to join.

This system is designed to maintain, as far as possible, an equality of strength among the houses. After the formal rushing season, new quotas are assigned each house to make fraternity membership possible for those who did not receive an original bid.

Although anyone who does not get a bid in the "post rushing season" is asked to join the Lord Jeff Club, he may still become affiliated with a fraternity, because of pressure brought upon the social groups from the undergraduates. It recently has been shown that 70% of the so-called "forced" members became more valuable to the fraternity than the men who received initial bids.

From an academic point of view, the most destructive effect of rushing seemed to be the general tenseness which it produced. Bull session time went up immensely and an atmosphere of nervousness pervaded the dormitories.

Fine for Cuts

CARTHAGE, ILL. — (ACP) — Prog. Orville Riggs, noting that Carthage College students are checked for attendance at chapel by secretaries sitting in a balcony, suggested that the students adopt the theme song:

"When the Roll Is Called Up Yonder, I'll Be There."

Koch Installs New Demolay Officers



Members of DeMolay gathered for a group pose after their public installation Friday night, Feb. 4.

Charles Taylor received the gavel of DeMolay at Alma College while the chapter receives the honor rating of excellent in its first formal inspection the last two Wednesday evenings, in the Tyler Auditorium and in chapel basement at 8:00 p.m.

Charles Taylor became the new Master Counselor for the next term. To install the new officers of Alma's DeMolay, "Dad" Koch from Dearborn performed the ritual of installation. The chapter's new candle holders and altar cloth were on display, for the first time. Also helping in the ritual were some of the state officers.

The Delt quartet's singing and the Lord's Prayer by George Spriggs were the music for the evening. "Chuck" was presented with a new gavel from his home

chapter by his parents. He made the statement that he was hoping for robes for the leading officers. Some of the distinguished guests were Mr. and Mrs. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Laird and the State Sweetheart DeMolay queen, Sherry Sexton.

Last Wednesday, the chapter had its first formal inspection by the state officers. They went through the ceremonial with flying colors. During meeting, the retiring Master Counselor, Hugh Laird, was given a ring from the chapter. The chapter took in one new candidate during the inter-speciation.

The next meeting will be February 30, 1955, and the next formal inspection will be some time between April and May.

"Faith and Foundations"-Farce or High Point?

By Eugene Pattison

(assisted by almanian reporters)

When Alma College welcomed Dr. Kenneth G. Neigh for Religion-in-Life week here, students greeted the event with mixed reactions. For some, it was a high point in their religious experience. To others, it was drudgery.

On the campus of a Christian college, Religion-in-Life week has served to provide a rather clear dividing line between various campus groups—a dividing line which soon disappears.

Perhaps this fact shows that an important event has taken place. At any rate, various reactions to the many events, and a general survey of what took place are of importance to all of us.

First of all, a pattern of opinions is important for its own sake. The effect of religion upon campus life is seen in student opinion.

Secondly, the avowed purpose of those who sponsor Religion-in-Life week is to make it more effective. The data which are gathered from those whose response is desired—the students—enables program planners to make use of more effective techniques.

What happened during Religion-in-Life week? Naturally, there were several scheduled events. Let us briefly summarize these:

"Everyone Has Religious Impulses"

Dr. Neigh's general topic for the week was "Faith and Firm Foundations" which he carried out in five morning chapel services. "Christianity suffers from one thing above all else. Most of us have religious impulses, but we just plain don't know what they are," he told the chapel audience Monday.

In Tuesday's chapel, in a talk entitled "On Living As If . . ." Dr. Neigh outlined a religion based on deep faith rather than on a rational skepticism. Among the main points of his faith were belief in Christ, immortality and the church. On immortality, Dr. Neigh said: "Heaven and Hell are just as real now . . . We are creating them as we live." An evil person would be in Hell in Heaven, he said.

Sees Backs of Necks

"I'll bet before the week is over I'll see something beside the backs of those necks down there," Dr. Neigh told his Wednesday audience, then continued with a talk entitled "Behind the Veil."

"Christianity never claimed to remove the sting of evil by understanding it, but by victory over it," he said.

Emphasizes Liking of People

In Thursday's talk, Dr. Neigh said that high sounding aspirations are poppycock if we do not like people. "Christ was not a PHD candidate or a probate court social worker, but a lover of people," was the summary of his Thursday talk.

"Be as Christian on the surface as you are deep down inside, . . ." he challenged students in the final talk Friday morning.

OPEN HOUSES PINPOINT PROBLEMS

An indirect evaluation of the week and the problems which concern college students were brought out at the three fraternity open house held during the week. Campus gossip, which was mentioned in the last issue of the almanian, drew Dr. Neigh's comment at the first open house Monday night. Small towns and small campuses tend to be more "catty," he said, but the morals of small campuses tend to be more pure also.

Chapel conduct drew the usual comments. Dr. Neigh's point of view was that the ordinary chapel speaker is not offended by poor conduct, but only feels sorry for those who engage in it. At one Presbyterian college where he spoke a few years ago, he said that women brought their knitting to chapel.

Play is New Feature

"The Terrible Meek" a play directed by Professor William A. Gregory, Wednesday night, was a new feature of Religion-in-Life week this year. (A review of the play is found under a separate heading.)



Dr. Kenneth G. Neigh was kept busy on campus during last week's Religion-in-Life program. In the montage above, Dr. Neigh is shown (upper L) talking with members of Delta Gamma Tau, (upper R) speaking to a group at Phi Phi Alpha house, (center) addressing students at one of the five morning chapel services, (lower L) talking with Rev. Didier and Dr. and Mrs. Harker at the faculty potluck held Monday night. Students gathered (lower R) each morning in the chapel for devotions.

Communion Service

The Thursday Communion service drew a crowd of one hundred. Dr. Harker, Dr. Miller, Rev. Didier, Dr. McKeefery, and Dr. Dicks took part in this service, and the universality of the Sacrament was stressed by Dr. Harker.

Student Response Varies—Seek Athletic's Week

Student response to the program of Religion-in-Life week varied in several extremes. One student heard the comment that this week should be "Athlete's Week" with all "Religion majors" required to attend.

(This response indicated two things—first of all, a certain sense of values; secondly, the widespread fallacy that church vocations students are the only persons interested in religion and are "religion majors." Actually, there are few of these. Students who plan on entering full-time Christian service major in many different fields, in order to get as broad a liberal education as possible.)

Other comments overheard in the lounges of Tyler included the opinion that the speaker took too long to make his point; that "He's supposed to please us" (partially true-Ed.) The conversation then took one of its turns in the direction of sports and women.

Two almanian reporters set out to test how widely held the above opinions were, and came up with the following comments:

Herb Gerber:—"Neigh was a wonderful speaker and proved to be very inspirational. He made going to Chapel a pleasure."

Marv Raab:—"I don't think it was necessary to make this compulsory. One gets more out of going willingly than being forced into it."

Judy Volk:—"Religion-in-Life week seemed more meaningful this year. Dr. Neigh did a marvelous job on each of his talks. The play 'The Terrible Meek' was a definite contribution to the whole program."

Carol Stephans:—"I knew Dr. Neigh before this, but I feel I know him even better now and I can see what a marvelous man he is. I am sure he has helped many of us."

Jack Brewster:—"I was very impressed by the communion service. I thought the speaker was very good and talked in a way which was 'down to earth' and easily understood."

Charles Parrott:—"This was the

finest Religion-in-Life week that I have seen at Alma in my three years here."

Mary Lou Hartwick:—"Religion-in-Life week has made a deep and lasting impression on my life, with its fellowship and a realization of better understanding of my faith."

Evaluate Week in Committee

Suggestions for improving the week next year were discussed by the Evaluation Committee at their dinner Friday. Broadening the scope of the week by including a more diverse group on the committee was one of the major suggestions.

Individual conferences also met with some comment. Many individuals came to Dr. Neigh with serious problems, he indicated. The place for conference was criticized as being too public, however.

A Sunday afternoon tea at which the various hosts can get to know the week's speaker and to introduce him to the student body sooner was a suggestion welcomed by the group.

Reveal Follow-Up Plans: To Continue Devotions

The meeting also revealed some of the measures which will be carried on as a follow-up for Religion-in-Life week. Morning devotions will continue to be held in the chapel each morning at 7:15 and chimes will be played. Graces for meals will be placed on each of the Van Dusen tables.

Personality of Speaker

Perhaps the most important single factor in the week's success was the speaker's personality. Those who came to know Dr. Neigh intimately during the week were impressed with his warmth. Religion-in-Life week was over, but its impressions were still here, on the Alma College campus.

Openings Announced by Placement Office

Another invitation is being extended to all seniors who have not yet registered with the Placement Office to do so in the very near future if they wish to take advantage of this service. The service is available to those interested in placement in business as well as prospective teachers. There is no charge.

This week representatives from International Business Machines, Aetna Life Insurance Company and New York Life Insurance Company have been on campus for interviews with those interested in placement in business. Teaching candidates have had interviews with a representative from Flint Public Schools this week.

This coming week a representative from Battle Creek is planning to visit Alma for interviews with teachers. In the near future Muskegon Heights, Grosse Pointe, Grand Rapids and Chelsea will also send men for interviews with teacher candidates.

Many other openings for both teachers and business candidates are coming in daily and are posted on the bulletin board on the second floor of the Administration Building.

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"Terrible Meek," Unusual One-Act, Called Stirring

by Jim Mills

"Religion-in-Life week became an even more significant event on campus when the Alma Christian Association in cooperation with the Highland Masquers presented The Terrible Meek on Wednesday, February 9. This play was written by Arthur Kennedy and is in on-act form. It is an interpretation of the events as they occurred immediately after the crucifixion of Christ.

The production was directed by Mr. William A. Gregory, Professor of Drama. The cast included Bud Davies as a Roman Soldier, Edna LaFleur as a woman and Bob Fritz as the Roman Captain. Robert Fritch, assisted by Aubrey Wells, was responsible for the staging and lighting. Dick Beardsley and Tom Dodd for the art work, and Sherry Nugent for costumes. Jim Coombes acted as Housemanager.

This religious play was portrayed by means of unusual staging and lighting effects which gave emphasis to the stirring message. Dr. Neigh, the speaker for "Religion in Life" week this year, described the play as being the most stirring college production of this type that he had ever seen.

The unusual lighting and staging effects were accomplished by means of a scrim which was borrowed from Flint Junior College. The misty three-dimensional effect in the final scene of the play where Christ was seen on the cross in the early morning light was the result of using this piece of stage equipment.

The backdrop which was painted by Dick Beardsley and Tom Dodd was shown in all its splendor when the lights were brought up in the final scene with the scrim to give it emphasis.

The staging of the action of the play is termed impressionistic. A variety of levels was used to represent the hill. The over-all effect during the first part of the play was that no particular place was being emphasized. This fact served to give universality to the production.

This play is an excellent example of what we can have in "Religion in Life" week if we choose to work for it. I was very impressed that someone at last discovered that variety is important.

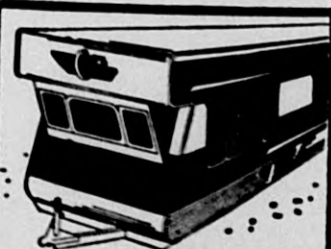
I sincerely hope that activities of this type will point the way toward an even better week next year and in the years to come.

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Scot Cagers Edge Hope Five 73-72 In Tight Wednesday Night Game

Last Wednesday night the Alma Scots took a conference win at the expense of Hope, 73 to 72. Big Jim Ford tallied the first two points for Alma which were his first of 15. Lude and Ford shared top honors with 15 points each.

The Scots maintained their lead until the last three minutes of the first half. Hendrickson fired a jump shot with 3:03 showing on the clock to put Hope in the lead as he lead the Hope attack in the first half ending up with 20 points for the game. Molenaar of Hope racked up 27 points for top honors of the game.

As the second half opened, the Hope five began to fall break with Molenaar leading as he dumped

in 12 points in the third period to put Hope in the lead by 12 points, 63 to 51.

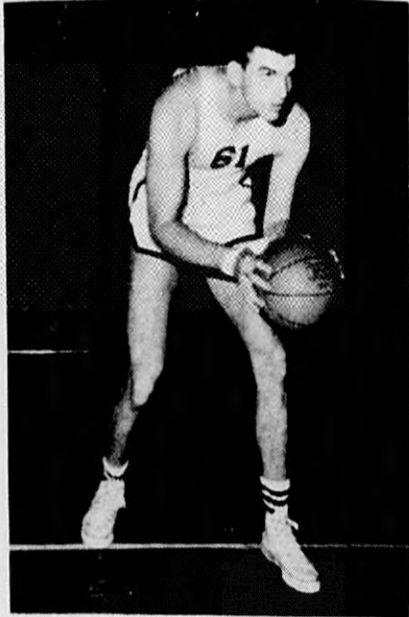
Hope kept fast breaking until the Scots began to move in the last eight minutes of playing time. As Alma narrowed the margin to three points with 5:44 showing on the clock, Hope started their slow deliberate game. The clock rolled on to 2:57 where Bill McIntosh drew a foul from Reinersma of Hope.

Bill made the two charity tosses, his only two points of the game, to tie the score 68 to 68. Lude then got two charity tosses from Rink, who fouled out, and missed both of them. Carter took a long rebound from Lude's last toss and fired in a jump shot to put the Scots ahead 70 to 68 with two and one-half minutes remaining in the game.

Lude tallied a one-hander making the score 72 to 68 after which Molenaar put in one to make the score 72 to 70 in favor of Alma. The clock dropped to 23 seconds where Hilmert of Hope fouled Lude.

Lude made only one of the charity tosses putting the Scots on top by three points 73 to 70. Hope then took the ball and again Molenaar, in the last three seconds, tallied for two, giving the final score of 73 to 72.

Thumbnail Sketch



Jim Ford

Ford Leads League In Rebounds 63

Jim Ford, center on the Scots basketball team, is currently (as of Feb. 3) leading the M.I.A.A. in rebounding. "Big Jim" has picked off 63 rebounds in 7 league games for an average of 9 rebounds per league game.

Ford, Alma's top scorer in the league, is also tied for sixth in the M.I.A.A. scoring race with a total of 109 points for an average of 15 points per league game.

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VARSITY SHOP

Olivet Snips Scots 55-55

The small but determined Olivet team, Feb. 4, in a hard fought battle. Olivet had a slow, but consistent offense that seemed to keep the Alma five guessing. In the opening period Alma's defense was working very well, but the Olivet five broke through to win 55 to 53.

The score changed hands four times in the first half with Alma on top 21 to 20 at the half way mark. Olivet froze the ball for the last minute and 15 seconds to get a last second shot to give them their 20 points for the half.

Starting the second half, Olivet took advantage of Alma's bad passing and built up their lead. The defense of Olivet held the Scots scoreless for over four minutes in the third period.

This gave Olivet a lead of 12 points at the three quarter mark. Alma tried to come back twice in the final quarter, but Olivet held on to take their win of 55 to 53.

Linguists to Present "An Evening in Europe" Program, March 25

"An Evening in Europe" will be presented by the four campus language clubs on March 25, according to an announcement made today by Willard Tisdale, program chairman for the event. Booths will be provided by the various campus organizations, and entertainment will consist of dances presented by the language groups.

Members of the committee who are working with chairman Tisdale on this event are Jean Wallace, Carl Rohloff, Margaret Walker, Marge Jones, Martha Vreeland and Craig Wilson.

Chippewas Edge Scots in Benefit, 88-81



Ford (61) and Weichert (14) tangle for the ball as McIntosh (15), Lude (58) and Howarth (57) stand ready.

Ford, Ayling, Lude Tied for Top Honors

Central Michigan's Chippewas scored a 78-81 triumph over the Alma Scots in their initial Red Feather basketball game, played in the Saginaw Arthur Hill gym, Feb. 5.

The Chippewas, displaying a balanced scoring attack led by Kackmeister and Vanderwerf jumped to a quick first quarter lead of 30-21. Play slowed down considerably in the second quarter, but at the half the Chips still led 43-32.

After being downed at the three quarter mark 67-48, the Scots opened their scoring attack and started to run, but it was too late, and time ran out, leaving the Scots still 7 points behind, 88-81.

Ford, Ayling, and Lude tied for scoring honors with 13 points apiece while Carter scored 12 and Anderson 10. Vanderwerf led the Chips and took scoring honors for the night with 22.

Statistics

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C.M.C.	30	13	24	21	88
Alma	21	11	16	33	81

Scots Drop Two— to Albion and Calvin

Alma College was beaten twice in foreign floors in their last two encounters.

Albion and Calvin did the honors by scores of 77-69 and 71-57. Alma had lost to both earlier in the season by 72-66 and 77-62 accounts.

In the Albion game it was a case of too much Vivlamore, for he scored 27 points. Lude hit 17 for Alma.

The Scots started slowly against Calvin and were never in a challenging position. Vreen, Calvin's nominee for all-league guard, had 15 while Lude scored 22.

Through the Hoops

Next Four Games Are Vital to Scots

by Fred Spain

Basketball is slowly fading out of the sports scene and no one is more aware of it than the Alma Scots. With only four more games remaining on their schedule, and all are conference games, they know that they must win them all if they plan on finishing in the top division in the M.I.A.A. race.

As this goes to press, the Scots are ranked sixth in M.I.A.A. competition, winning games from Kalamazoo, Hillsdale and Olivet and dropping games to Calvin twice, Albion twice, Adrian, Hope, and Olivet. To predict the outcome of the remaining four games would be impossible but if Alma is able to close the season with victories over Hope, Kalamazoo, Adrian and Hillsdale they will stand a good chance of boosting themselves to third place in the league standings.

As of now, the Scots seasons record, including non-conference games, stands as eight wins against ten losses. On paper their record does not look very impressive but don't count Coach Stauffer's ball-club out yet. The Scots are a

fighting team and with any kind of breaks they can easily win their remaining games. If they do win the next three games they will have an 11-10 record which is a winning season in any ones book.

Taking a look at the overall M.I.A.A. picture from statistics turned out February 3 Adrian held down first place with seven wins and no defeats. Calvin and Albion are in the number two and three spots respectively. The first place slot or even the league championship could easily become a tossup between these three teams.

In individual scoring Henry Hughes of Adrian and Gary Morrison of Kalamazoo are the leaders each scoring 161 points. Alma's Jim Ford is tops in rebounds with 63. Ford is also ranked sixth in the scoring race.

Two other Alma cagers are listed in the league scoring column. They are Howard Anderson who is tenth and Glen Howarth who is listed as being in fourteenth place.

If you look at the Scots statistic-wise you will find that Ford is Alma's top scorer. He has parted the meshes with 109 points so far this season and his ability to take rebound off the boards has made him a great asset to his teammates.

The Scots are a well balanced team though they have had their ups and downs, which is typical of any basketball team, but as earlier stated, with one or two breaks they can win their remaining games make a lot of people happy, especially Coach Stauffer.

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FACULTY STUDY GROUPS REVAMP TEACHING METHODS

by Calvin Levy

The Faculty Study Groups of Alma College, under the 1947 leadership of Mr. McDell, are this year doing research in counseling, general education and testing in co-operation with the North Central Association. The objects of these studies are to evaluate present methods and to recommend improvements in the future execution of them.

Chairmen of the committees are: Mr. Noble, counseling; Mr. Howe, general education; and Mr. Sullivan, testing. Each study meets twice a month to report progress on their respective projects.

Visit Various Workshops

Last October Mr. Sullivan went to the University of Chicago Workshop sponsored by the North Central Association. In addition to the general sessions he attended meetings on testing and examination procedures.

Mr. Myhrum will visit a similar workshop for a month this winter through the auspices of the Faculty Study Groups next year.

Compile Handbook

The Counseling Committee, headed by Mr. Noble, is compiling a handbook in general education. It will give present and future faculty members in the guidance of students in whom they are interested. This volume personal, emotional, religious, and vocational adjustment to students. Reports will be kept of students' progress to see their better adjustment to college life.

Mr. Howe's committee on General Education is currently working on a study of general education.

The purpose of courses to be offered this group is asking these questions: Is general education good? Is it what we want in this school? Are we offering it? If not, by what means can we make possible such our course of study? Answers to this final question are twofold, adopting so-called general education courses, or modifying present teaching methods in order to cover a broader area.

Favor General Education

The group is favorably disposed toward the adoption of general education. Ultimately, the students are receiving the benefits of well-rounded education.

The Testing Committee, headed by Mr. Sullivan, is investigating various testing programs in other colleges. After determining a system by which the results of standardized tests are used by faculty and students, and having considered the value of such tests available at Alma, the committee plans to provide students of the faculty under the testing program. Why a testing program at Alma? What tests are given? What is the purpose of test and what do the scores mean?

It is hoped that as a result of this study students and faculty will have better understanding of the test scores and that students may be more efficient and the faculty will be helped to assess the their strengths and weaknesses.

Mr. Myhrum, director of the General Education Committee, is currently working on a study of general education. He is currently working on a study of general education. He is currently working on a study of general education.

Nine Receive All A's

Five students received all A's for semester 1947 according to information received last week from the Registrar's Office. Among these are: William Patrick Hartman, Jr., John W. Jones, Jack K. Lee, L. E. Egan, Pauline Taylor, and L. E. Egan. William Patrick Hartman, Jr., John W. Jones, Jack K. Lee, L. E. Egan, Pauline Taylor, and L. E. Egan.

Biology Club Re-elects Hoag

The Biology Club re-elected Bob Hoag president at its regular meeting February 3. Chuck Morrison is the new vice-president. Ken Bennett is secretary-treasurer and Una Edwards is social chairman.

Papers and talks will be given by individual members at various meetings during the semester. Two field trips will be taken. On one of these, the pre-medical will view an autopsy at Saginaw General Hospital.

On March 24, Dr. Rucklin, a pathologist, will speak on "The Medical Aspects of the Death of Christ." Later a medical technologist will speak.

Anyone who has had an average of "C" is studying the pre-medical.

The club members extended their thanks to the retiring officers, who were Gretta Jensen, vice-president, Una Edwards, secretary-treasurer, and Nancy Wet, social chairman.

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