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Sororities to Cooperate on Girl-Bid "Hawaiian Holiday" Tomorrow Night

Mikle Announces Oratory Contest

Professor M. Harold Mikle, speech department head, has extended an invitation to all students interested in entering into competition in the Bradley Oratorical Contest. Anyone wishing to enter should contact Professor Mikle as soon as possible. The contest will be held about February 16th. Cash awards will be given to first, second and third place winners by Preston Bradley of Chicago, sponsor of the contest.

Future Teachers Discuss Methods by Using Puppets

The reading methods class in education presented a puppet program to the Future Teachers Club, Tuesday, January 4. The program was entitled "Reading Can Be Fun" and was narrated by Mrs. Sarah Thorndike. This was of interest to all since every teacher is a teacher of reading.

The puppet shows were made up of varied techniques. There were a shadow graph, stick puppets, a movie, and wooden string puppets.

Some of the values of puppet shows are that they provide backgrounds of experience for understanding terms in reading, they provide for creativeness and originality, they may be adapted to many subjects, they encourage the shy child to participate and express himself, they help to correct speech defects, and they encourage children to develop an interest in reading other stories.

The Future Teachers found this to be an interesting program and would like to thank Miss Pigg and the reading class.

Wood Going to Grand Rapids

Fred Wood has accepted a position at Rogers Public School in Grand Rapids to teach seventh grade for the coming semester. Fred will graduate in January.

Hold First Annual Freshman Speech Contest in College Chapel

If the freshman English students of Alma College are any example, American has nothing to worry about in its future generation. In a freshman speech contest held January 6 in the college chapel, each speaker talked on a subject of vital importance, both in these times and in the future.

Goutis Opposes Defeatism

The winner of the contest, Christ Goutis, spoke opposing the defeatist attitude that there are no more opportunities left in the United States. In an example, he observed that, to reach any goal, one has to work industriously and that there are innumerable positions open to those who labor diligently to attain them.

Disparage Individualism Too Much

Phyllis Dresbach stated that there is too much disparagement of individualism in America. The average individual is not an individual any more. Social pressures of the majority promote juvenile delinquency, alcoholism and other related problems.

Adams Decries Carelessness

Virginia Adams decried the carelessness, selfishness and lack of courtesy which results in the rising and useless mass of highway fatalities.

Attacks Prejudice

Racial prejudice among adults

A Tri-Sorority dance, "Hawaiian Holiday" will be presented January 15. This is the first dance of this type and is being sponsored by the Inter-Sorority Council. A Hawaiian theme will be carried out in decorations and entertainment. This is a girl bid affair, in the Tyler Auditorium, at 8:30 p.m.

Committees are composed of members from each sorority. The planning of entertainment is under the direction of the Alpha Theta Sorority. The Kappa Iota Sorority will be in charge of refreshments; and advertisements and decorations will be supervised by the Sigma Phi Sorority.

Music for this dance will be furnished by "The Velvetones." Mr. and Mrs. Sam J. Underwood, and Dr. and Mrs. Sam Thorn-dike will be chaperones.

Council to Meet Head Patronesses

There will be a meeting of the Inter-Sorority council and the head patroness of each sorority Monday, January 17, at 4:30 p.m., in Van Dusen Commons. Mrs. Vreeland will preside at the meeting.

Harker Returns Today from AAC Meeting

Dr. John Stanley Harker returned this morning from Washington D.C., where he attended the annual meetings of Presbyterian Union and the Association of American Colleges this week.

Presbyterian Union is the organization of presidents of colleges related to the Presbyterian Church, U.S.A. and met Monday, Jan. 10 in conjunction with the meeting of the AAC. This meeting followed on Jan. 11-13.

Vander Hart in Panel at State Meeting

Professors Ernest G. Sullivan and Margaret Vander Hart of the Alma College music faculty attended the Midwest Conference of music educators in the state of Michigan, held in Ann Arbor on January 7 and 8. Miss Vander Hart took part in a panel in a group discussing, "What We Are Doing Wrong in Service Training?"

and the young people of America drew the resentment of Anna Reavey.

Discusses Alcoholism

America's greatest social problem, alcoholism, and the reason for it, brewing propaganda and false advertising, was discussed by Ed Passenger.

White Says Restrict Newspapers

Newspaper sensationalism and its effect upon true justice were revealed by Bob White. He suggested that newspapers be required to state only the facts and be allowed to publish no opinion on subjects outside of national importance.

The best speech students from each English II class, as chosen by their instructor, participated in this speech contest, the first of the proposed biennial series.

Pre-Seminary Students to Meet at McKeefery's

Students who attended the Conference on Church Vocations at Oberlin College last fall will report on their experiences at the meeting of the church vocations students, to be held at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Wm. J. McKeefery, Sunday, Jan. 16, at 8:30 p.m.

Students To Produce Second Playbill Monday



Play production students who will direct Monday's bill of one acts discuss their plays. Left to right, they are Carole Cummings, Katy Manthos and Edna Williams.

Production Students Direct One Act Plays

The second group of one-act plays to be given this semester will be presented in Tyler auditorium Monday evening, January 17, at 8:15 p.m. Admission is 25c. Edna Williams, Katy Manthos, and Carole Cummings, members of the Play Production class, are directors of the play.

"So Wonderful in White" is being directed by Edna Williams. A story of nurses in training, the scene is the lounge of the nurses' residence and all the characters are women. As the play opens, Peg, one of the student nurses, is undecided whether to continue training or drop out and get married. She is very idealistic, and seeing things in nursing which she does not like, she wonders if it is the vocation for her. She has almost made up her mind to leave when Creston, the superintendent announces that DeWitt, another student nurse, is to be the sponsor for the incoming freshman class.

Peg protests because she feels that DeWitt has a poor attitude toward nursing, that she desires the power involved rather than wanting to help people. Peg wants someone else to be appointed. At the moment there is a mystery in the hospital about the disappearance of some heroin. DeWitt discovers that Janie, a weak, lonely girl, had been taking it to alleviate her sense of maladjustment.

When Creston makes the announcement of DeWitt's appointment and Peg protests so vigorously, DeWitt twists the facts and accuses Peg of taking the heroin and giving it to Janie. Janie disproves the story by confessing and then, knowing that she will be expelled from her last place in life, commits suicide.

With the event, Peg make up her mind to quit school, but as she writes a letter to her fiance, a girl who will be in training next year enters. Peg sees in her face the same glowing idealism that she felt and knows that she would have no respect for herself if she could not live up to her ideals. She decides to remain in nursing, knowing that she will probably be appointed sponsor of the freshman class in place of DeWitt.

The cast for the play is as follows:

Peg Marilyn Mott
Janie Isabel Coubrough
Gail Jan Zellinger
Ginny Gail Sutherland
Creston Jay Gebhart
DeWitt Mary Lou Heberlein
New Girl Phyllis Dresbach

Katy Manthos has chosen the first act of "John Loves Mary" by Norman Krasma for her play. A romantic comedy, it centers

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Announce Contest for Television Scripts

A new \$4,000 contest for television scripts has just been opened to college students by The Christophers, a New York City organization dedicated to "bringing Christ back into the marketplace." The purpose of the contest is to encourage college students with high ideals and talent to enter the field of television.

Scripts, which should be about 1,000 words, may be written in any of four fields: Teenagers Can Shape the Future, Improving Labor Relations, Earnings and the Property Rights of All, and Changing the World through the Housewife.

Deadline for the contest is March 31, 1955. All entries should be mailed to Christopher Student College Contest, 18 East 48th Street, New York 17, N. Y.

Additional information may be secured from the above address or from the almanian office.

Council Acts on Several Problems

The possibility of a student council scholarship for a worthy student, an all college social event to be held the night of second semester registration, a student council assembly, and the possibility of having family style dinners four nights a week were highlights of last Tuesday's student council meeting.

Jack Carleton moved that a committee be appointed to consult with Dean McKeefery concerning a student council scholarship for a worthy student. The committee

consists of George Spriggs, Jack Carleton and Don Jackson.

The student council is sponsoring a travel movie to be held in Tyler auditorium Monday evening, February 1, at 7:30 p.m. Members of the committee planning for this event are Dave McDowell, chairman; George Spriggs, Bill McIntosh, Betty Burns and Betty Anderson.

The student council assembly is the first thing on the agenda for next semester. Plans for a college talent show are in the making.

Family Style Proposal Originates in Line Cutting Problem

The problem of line cutting in Van Dusen Commons brought a proposal that family style dinners be served four nights a week. It was also suggested that faculty members be invited in small groups to get better acquainted with students.

Another perennial problem, that of senior class privileges to the first three rows in chapel, was also discussed. Dean Stielstra suggested that cards reserving the front rows in chapel be placed there.

Students Hear Stanley Quartet

The Stanley Quartet of the University of Michigan Extension Service presented a musical program for the Alma College student body Wednesday, January 12 in the Jerry Tyler Auditorium. Miss Frances Hughes of the Alma College department of music officiated at the program which was one of a series of student assemblies scheduled for the school year.

The Stanley Quartet is a well-known concert group in the State of Michigan. The members of the quartet are on the teaching staff at the University of Michigan; they are professional musicians on the instrument of their specialty. In the past two years the group has performed for the Library of Congress, Princeton University and Cornell University. Last spring the quartet made an extensive tour of the East and performed at Smith College, Vassar, and Mt. Holyoke College.

The Stanley Quartet is composed of the following: Gilbert Ross, first violin; Emil Raab, second violin; Robert Courte, viola; and Oliver Edel, cello. The program for the assembly was as follows:

Quartet in C minor, Op. 18, No. 4, Beethoven—Allegro ma non tanto, Scherzo (andante scherzoso quasi allegretto), Menuetto (allegretto), Allegro; Dring to Me Only with Thine Eyes; Moment Musical; Haydn's Serenade; The Mill, Raaf.

As is the custom concerning guest speakers and performers, the faculty and students were invited to have lunch with the guests, following the program, in the private dining room of Van Dusen Commons.

Mrs. Esther Vreeland is faculty chairman of the assembly committee.

Granted Fellowship



May Butrick

Butrick to Teach at U of Iowa

Miss May Butrick, Alma senior who is graduating this semester, has been granted a teaching fellowship at the University of Iowa in Iowa City, it was announced recently. Miss Butrick plans to do graduate work in comparative literature and will assume her duties at Iowa City in early February.

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Sincerity: A Definition

Although the New Year is now two weeks old, resolutions still seem to be in order. The almanian staff encourages the highest resolves and offers its own byword. Our resolution for the New Year might be embodied in the word Sincerity.

A simple word, perhaps needing no definition, this one denotes an inexpressible quality. It means, for one thing, telling the truth—even when this may hurt. If done tactfully, this should lead all of us to help each other look at himself rather realistically.

Finally, in an atmosphere where stretching the meaning of a word is popular, we dare. Sincerity, to us, also involves keeping in confidence what is told in confidence, regardless of how fabulous or frustrating the tale may be.

E.H.P.

Social Calendar

JANUARY

- 15 Hope, there Saturday
Inter-sorority "Hawaiian Holiday" 8:30 p.m., Saturday
- 16 Theta-Delt Sig "Apple Polishing" Tea Sunday
Westminster Fellowship Discussion 7:00 p.m., Sunday
- 17 Chapel, Betty Anderson, student chapel 11:00 a.m., Monday
One Act Plays 8:15 p.m., Monday
- 18 Student Council 6:30 p.m., Tuesday
Die Lustige Gesellschaft 7:30 p.m., Tuesday
Los Buenos Companeros 7:00 p.m., Tuesday
Biology Club 7:00 p.m., Tuesday
F.T.A. 7:00 p.m., Tuesday
- 19 Examinations Begin 8:00 a.m., Wednesday
Kalamazoo, there Wednesday
- 21 Michigan Tech, here Friday
- 22 Flint, here Saturday
Phi Phi Alpha Open House Saturday
- 23 Westminster Fellowship Party 7:00 p.m., Sunday
- 26 Examinations end 4:00 p.m., Wednesday
- 27 Adrian, there Thursday
- 29 Soo Tech, there Saturday
- 31 Second Semester Registration 8:00-5:00, Monday
Travel Movies, Tyler 7:30 p.m., Monday

FEBRUARY

- 1 Classes Begin 8:00 a.m., Tuesday
Student Council 6:30 p.m., Tuesday
Die Lustige Gesellschaft 7:00 p.m., Tuesday
Los Buenos Companeros 7:00 p.m., Tuesday
F.T.A. 7:00 p.m., Tuesday
Biology Club 7:00 p.m., Tuesday
- 2 Faculty Meeting 11:00 a.m., Wednesday
A.C.A. 7:00 p.m., Wednesday
W.A.A. Meeting Wednesday
- 3 Faculty Study Group II 5:00 p.m., Thursday
Drama Club 7:00 p.m., Thursday
- 4 Chapel 11:00 a.m., Friday

"We Resolve"— We Break Vows

By Dick Schluckbier

New Year's time is resolution time and vows are taken enthusiastically with hopes that the coming year will be more successful than the previous one. "I resolve to do my homework and keep my schoolwork up to date," is a pledge taken by students throughout the country, but who can remain faithful to a vow when a favorite movie star is being featured the night before an assignment is due? So this pledge bites the dust after two or three weeks.

"I resolve to hang up my clothes and keep my room neat. This time I mean it," assures the same resolution-maker. Yet, a quick rush back to the dorm, a quick change of clothes, and a quick dash out leaves a room looking as though a tornado, instead of a student, had flown through. And

that resolution is trampled in the rush.

"I resolve never to gossip or report anything I see or hear, but you'll never guess whom I saw with whom and where last night." Three down—how many more to go?

"I resolve to give up sodas and gooey sundaes." This resolution usually lasts the longest of any made. Yet, a big, luscious looking, hot fudge marshmallow sundae is too tempting to pass up and tumber(!) There goes another one. Resolutions are made, and resolutions are broken. But what would New Year's be without them?

I've followed the trend and have a list a mile long, but at the top of my list is "I resolve to keep my resolutions."

Psychology's Aim . . . Understanding People Philosophy Seeks Overall View in Atomic Age

By Eugene Pattison

Most of us, upon hearing the word "psychology" think of some occult science and of a man in a white coat who spends his time cataloguing "symptoms" of something-or-other. The reaction is either that we shy away from the "psychologist" who is apt to find some deep, dark meaning in what we are doing; or that, curious about these mysterious meanings, we rush to sign up for a course or two, thinking that by so doing we will be able to tell what is wrong with all our friends.

These are misconceptions which are celebrated by such cartoons as the one printed here. The subject is taking a Rorschach or ink-blot test which is useful in uncovering many maladjustments. But there's a great deal more than that in the field of psychology.

Professor Claude Dicks of the psychology department at Alma says that psychology is actually trained and organized common sense. A study of psychology does not necessarily give us all of the answers to the mysterious inner motives of our friends, but it will enable a person to have a better understanding of himself and others.

Courses in psychology can be related to a great many fields. For instance, there is the field of Industrial Psychology, Personnel Work, and Labor Relations, taken up in the Applied Psychology course. A major in college psychology prepares a person for advanced work in preparation for teaching psychology at the college level. It is also useful as a background in preparing for advanced degrees in Clinical Psychology, Social Psychology, Child Psychology, Psychiatry, or Testing.

A major in psychology will also be found helpful to those preparing for the Christian ministry. A minor in psychology relates meaningfully to those majoring in education and sociology.



"Frankly, I'm worried! He says they all look just like ink blots to him."

Philosophy Unites All Fields

Philosophy, as a science, attempts to mold the answers of all the various areas of knowledge into a meaningful whole, or a meaningful pattern. An increasing need is being felt for a greater emphasis on philosophy as the Atomic Age increases the tensions and confusions of living. We are all prone to see life in the light of our own personal and limited backgrounds, or through the special colored glasses of our particular training or profession. Philosophy breaks down the walls of the various knowledge areas and seeks the more comprehensive answer, replacing confusion with a clear, consistent philosophy.

The major in philosophy offers the background for an advanced degree in philosophy in preparation for teaching philosophy at the college level. It is also well adapted for those preparing for the ministry.

Those wishing to minor in philosophy find that it has a meaningful relationship to history, literature, art, or science.

List Courses Offered Next Semester

Six courses in philosophy and psychology will be taught next semester. Among these are:
Psychology 22, Educational Psy-

chology, administered by the department of education as part of the teacher training program. It includes a consideration of the various uses of psychology in teaching.

Psychology 36, Social Psychology, is a survey of various aspects of personal and group behavior, including consideration of group behavior, mob psychology, and the psychology of social customs.

Psychology 38, Psychology of Religion, studies the psychology of religious experiences, especially the functioning Christian Personality.

Psychology 45, Psychology of Personality Adjustment, is an advanced study of the forces which make adjustment possible and meaningful.

Psychology 37, Ethics, will be a survey of the problems of ethics as answered by the various schools of philosophy.

Psychology 42, Modern World Views, consists of a study of the philosophers from Descartes to Hegel.

Faculty Members

Among the faculty members who teach courses in philosophy and psychology are Dr. Claude Dicks, Dr. Ross Miller, Professor Florence Steward, Professor Harlan McCall, and Assistant Professor Enna Pigg.

Avoid Criticism by Becoming Radical, Says Brown U. Pres.

Providence, R. I.—(I. P.)—On a topic much in the news recently, that of college presidents dismissing "radicals" from their faculties, Dr. Henry M. Wriston, president of Brown University, points out: "It has become somewhat of a joke in the profession that the surest way for a teacher to escape criticism or loss of appointment is by being a radical. Presidents are afraid to touch such men, whatever their shortcomings in the classroom or in research, lest the administration be accused of trying to control opinion."

"Since the activities of the distinguished senator from Erehwon it is getting dangerous to criticize a professor who is on the far right flank; if he is for the Bricker amendment he becomes sacrosanct! This tends to narrow very greatly the realm of maneuver; you can deal with impunity only with those who are in the middle of the road, and they present few problems!"

In analyzing the qualifications the college president of the future must have, President Wriston includes the following: "In an age whose watchword is security he will probably will be a 'safe' appointment—one, in a word, who will not be 'controversial.' He may propose no innovations, press for no reform, stir up no agitation, balance the budget, let instruction rock along in a smooth groove, and maintain amiable public relations."

Inquisitive fellows, 15 students at Brown University have formed a society to inquire into "all things." Good hunting, chaps!

When a lefthanded man weds a southpaw woman, it usually turns out to be a happy marriage.

Show Interest in Small College Money Problems

Business concerns appear to be showing a new interest in the problems of financing small private colleges. The National Association of Manufacturers has recognized this need by suggesting that small colleges be generously supported by corporate gifts. (See article).

An editorial in the Ingham County News of December 17, 1954, also takes heed of the problem by advising that the state legislature consider aid to the small colleges as a method of alleviating the overload of students at state universities.

In Michigan, the Michigan Colleges Foundation has been set up to acquaint business firms with the needs of the small independent colleges in the state. Dr. Harker attended the meeting of this group held in Flint on December 16.

Cram for Finals? Words Won't Stick!

By Dick Schluckbier

With the semester rapidly drawing to a screaming halt and what with Joe and Mary College racking their grey matter in the libraries cramming for finals (this lowly one also, too) it set us to thinking and we've come up with a little thing like such?

The leathery volumes rise o'er me, I think my work in vain;
The words keep entering my head,

But then fly out again.
At last a passage strikes my eye,
Eureka! I've the prize!
What do I read
"Where ignorance is bliss,
'Tis folly to be wise."
Back to the books Bye now.

Avoid Federal Aid, NAM Study Warns

Failure to provide adequate state, local and private support for the nation's colleges and universities can result only in renewed attempts to tap the federal purse, a policy that is certain to bring disastrous consequences, the National Association of Manufacturers reports.

In a new study, "Our Colleges and Universities and Their Financial Support," the NAM finds that serious financial problems confront almost every institution of higher learning and warns that, in some cases, conditions are so critical schools are in danger of closing their doors.

Recognizing American industry's stake in preserving this nation's educational traditions, the NAM study holds that corporate gifts must become one of the major sources of college and university support.

"If philanthropy withers, government will step in," the NAM believes, quoting Dr. Henry M. Wriston, president of Brown University.

The study, made by a committee of educators and industrialists in cooperation with NAM's Education Department, notes that during the past two decades there have been constant attempts to shift the pattern of educational support from the state and local governments to the federal government, and that the gigantic program of "free education for the veteran" has brought Washington to the forefront in financing higher education.

The present crisis in education, according to the NAM committee, is a compounding of neglect, the effects of depression, war, and boom. But, most of all, it concludes, school troubles are essentially "part and parcel of America's growth in population."

Who's Who

Mayer Prefers 'Mind Over Back'

By May Butrick

Though rendering courtesies to physical prowess, I have always had some hidden admiration for the human mind, a slight preference for the brain over the back. Let's take, for instance, the matter of earning one's way through college. This a noble aim; but the nobility of means may vary all degrees.

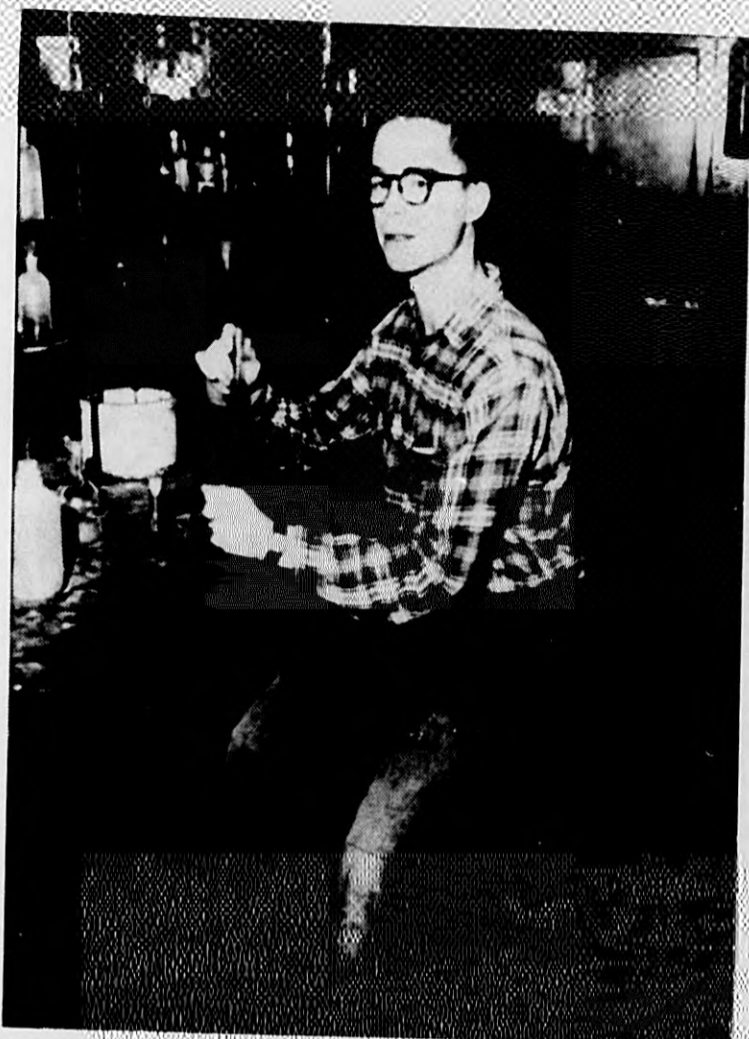
My friend Ray, Raymond Parm Mayer, hit upon a most splendid means. He carried off an essay contest sponsored by Naph-Sol Refining Company, whose outlets are Zephyr gasoline stations. Ray's subject, "Why I Want to Go to College?" Now Raymond mysteriously refuses to give a precis of his essay or disclose to me the black art of winning contests. He claims the essay was printed at the time in an issue of the almanian. All copies have disappeared. We must wheedle this out of him.

Raymond has other talents. He played the cornet and the euphonium in the Alma high school band for five years. He had taken piano lessons from the second through the eleventh grade, though he says he only plays one now in dark corners of locked closets. His persistence paid off, though. He was engaged, in high school, to accompany the Girls' Glee Club. Many evening performances?

Ray was a loyal tree-getting, candy-and-wreath-selling charter member of the high school Science club. Furthermore, he was president of the Projectionist club, which manages movie assemblies for the entire public school system of Alma, and he served as business manager of the yearbook. A member of the honor society from the eleventh through the twelfth grades, he graduated in the top handful of students with a major in the sciences.

Like all good students, he needed some diversions. Having boasted of two letters in tennis and a junior life saving badge in swimming, Ray muttered something about football. I didn't quite get what it was. Then there were other things. Becoming interested in photography, he developed his own negatives and printed his pictures, went into airplane modeling with a zest and entered several contests, collected stamp and coins and even (the old vice) did much reading.

Though he calls himself a "bookworm", Raymond doesn't really deserve such a contemptible epithet. A wholesome variety of work denies a too-one-sidedness. Like every good American boy, he



Ray Mayer works with test tube over a Bunsen burner in the chemistry building, one of his favorite haunts.

earned his first pin money by peddling papers. Unlike every good American boy, he spent his summers helping his father. Painting houses, as a matter of fact.

At the end of his freshman year at college, Raymond tackled a job for the summer as cabin counselor at Walloon Lake near Petoskey. His little charges were boys of age nine to sixteen. Interestingly, they tell me Art Turner was one of the directors at the time. Art, Nesbitt and his brother were among the counselors.

Counseling was not too foreign to Ray, for he himself had been a Boy Scout since he was age ten, rising from cub to eagle scout to junior assistant scoutmaster. At fifteen, Raymond joined a troop of Explorer Scouts, but that group was not very active so he kept his membership in the regular Boy Scouts and made several polar bear expeditions to Camp Rotary near Clare in addition to the regular summer camps.

The most recent experience Ray has had was lab work during the

last two summers at the Dow Chemical Company of Midland. This last semester he had one of the Dow scholarships in chemistry.

On the reputation of its science departments and the advantage of living in one's hometown, Raymond chose to attend Alma College. He joined the Phi Phi Alpha fraternity in his freshman year.

Raymond has been a member of the Kiltie band during all four years at college. He has worked on the almanian and Scotsman and holds membership in the Highland Masquers, Phi Sigma Pi and the Chemistry club. He engages in an occasional game of chess, but is modest in his claims.

When the last of this month comes along, Raymond Mayer will be counted among the three-and-a-half-year graduates. He will have completed a major in chemistry and minors in German, mathematics and physics.

He plans to take further work in chemistry at the University of Michigan, providing the draftboard doesn't catch him. In any event, he carries our well wishes with him wherever he goes.

Bagpipe Players Wanted

Douglas Henderson, head piper of the college band has been conducting a bagpipe class every Tuesday evening. The objective is to form a bagpipe band capable of performing, in addition to The Kiltie and Concert Band.

At present there are five members in the class: Dan Goodearl, Duane Asiyn, Don Lawrence, Darwin Johnson, and J. P. Ryan.

Any students interested in joining in the class next term should contact Doug Henderson or Mr. Sullivan. Girls are also encouraged to play the pipes.

Parnassians Discuss Anthology

The Parnassians held their regular business meeting at Tyler Center last Thursday, January 13. Plans were discussed for the next edition of The Pine River Anthology which is to be published in the near future.

After the business was concluded, the group adjourned to the home of Robert Fritz and Tam Scholl for refreshments and discussions of poems submitted by the members.

CHOIR POSITIONS OPEN

Anyone interested in joining the A Cappella Choir next term should contact Mr. Sullivan as soon as possible. It is expected that there will be openings in all sections.

The art of printing was suggested by a man cutting letters in the bark of a tree.

Fellowship Guests of Al Fortinos

Thirty members of the college Westminster Fellowship were entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Al Fortinos, group sponsors, in St. Louis, last Sunday evening. On Jan. 16, the group plans a joint meeting with the senior high fellowship, of which Mrs. Ruth Woods is advisor. On Jan. 23, the group will be entertained at the home of Rev. Bernard Didier of the First Presbyterian church, for a fun and fellowship hour.

The college group is affiliated with the First Presbyterian church of Alma, and holds regular meetings there each Sunday evening at 7 p.m. Richard Knowles, Holt sophomore, is moderator of the fellowship.

Le Cercle Elects Jean Wallace

Jean Wallace was elected president of Le Cercle Français at their regular meeting last Tuesday night. Other officers elected were Sally Souders, vice-president; Nancy Reartick, secretary; and Michaela Wilcox, social chairman.

The group also discussed plans for a carnival to be held in conjunction with the new French clubs and the League of Nations on March 11. A committee will be considered to be formed to be at their regular meeting.

DeMolay to Meet

The college chapter of DeMolay will hold its regular meeting tonight at 7:30 in the chapel basement. The next meeting will be an installation of officers and will take place February 4.

Deutschers to Elect New Officers Jan. 18

A group of over twenty Deutschers related their vacation experiences at a meeting of Die Lustige Gesellschaft held Tuesday evening, January 4. Plans for German pen pals were also discussed at this meeting.

Election of second semester officers will take place at the next meeting to be held in the women's Lounge of Tyler next Tuesday evening, January 18. Programs for the second semester will also be discussed at this meeting.

Membership in Die Lustige Gesellschaft is open to all persons who have had class experience in German.

HOME EC CLUB TO SELL SANDWICHES

The Alma College Home Economics Club held its first meeting of the new year in the Home Economics Department of the Arts Building Tuesday evening, January 11, with fifteen members present.

The business meeting consisted of an election of officers for the second semester with Jean Bush as President; Isabella Worth, Vice-President; Carol Lunsford, Secretary; Sue Miller, Treasurer and Barbara Driscoll, almanian Representative.

The girls will be selling sandwiches Thursday evening, January 20, throughout the dorms for those wishing refreshments while studying for exams.

Isabelle Worth and Peg Tinney are to represent Alma College at the National Home Economics Convention to be held in Chicago, February 10-11-12. Joan Bush was elected as an alternate.

FUTURE PLANS MADE BY SPANISH CLUB

Los Buenos Campaneros met January 4 to discuss future plans for the club. Looking back over the semester the members are surprised at their many varied activities. Highlights of each meeting are always the interesting and tasty (to almost everyone) Spanish type refreshments. Pan American day was celebrated with a complete meal of Latin American food prepared by the members at the home of Dr. Nichols, advisor.

The coming year for this language club promises to be as exciting as the beginning months and we are all looking enthusiastically ahead.

ONE ACT PLAYS

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around the difficulties of two couples in love involved in a very complicated entanglement. In the beginning Mary awaits the return of her lover, John, who has been in the service for the last three years. Fred, who has saved John's life in battle, comes to Mary's home on an errand for John. Fred loves a girl in Europe but because of the war they became separated and couldn't be married.

To repay his debt to Fred, John marries the girl and brings her into the United States with him. In the meantime, Fred has gotten married and his wife is having a baby. John has every intention of marrying Mary when he returns. What do you do in a situation like this? See the play and find out.

The following people are in "John Loves Mary": John Shepherd, Wayne Martens, Mary Freeman, Bob Woods, Oscar Hutto, Dick Bathgate, Senaase McKinley, Bob Shepherd, Mrs. McKinley, Sherry Nugent, and Betty B. Best.

The play is directed by Carole Williams. At the beginning Larry and Sheila are in an automobile accident. Sheila is a senator's wife whom Larry has been dating on the side. Larry is almost killed in the accident and, as a result, spends months in a hospital.

While convalescing, he falls in love with his nurse, Anna, and marries her. About six years later, Sheila, now a widow, returns, searching for Larry. When she finds he is married, she tries to take him away from his wife, and all the trouble begins. Larry in the meantime has become a writer. To see whom Larry chooses, see the play, Monday, January 17, at 8:15 p.m.

The cast includes: Larry Walt Morton, Anna Sue Bachi, Sheila Edna Parks, Man Manners Carl Rohloff, Sue Bachi and Edna Parks are high school students of Carole's.

BUSINESS STUDENTS CAN TAKE TESTS FOR GRADUATE STUDY

The Admission Test for Graduate Study in Business, required for entrance by a number of graduate business schools or directed through-out the country, will be offered twice during the coming year, according to Educational Testing Service, which prepares and administers the test. The University of Michigan is one of the schools requiring this test as a partial satisfaction of entrance requirements to graduate school.

Candidates for admission in 1955 classes are advised to take the February test, if possible.

It is not designed to test specific knowledge in specialized academic subjects. Normal undergraduate training should provide general knowledge to answer the test questions. Sample questions and information regarding registration for and administration of the test are given in a Bulletin of Information.

The tests will be administered February 3, 1955, and May 14, 1955. Applications and fees must be filed with the Admission Test for Graduate Study in Business, Educational Testing Service, 20 Nassau Street, Princeton, New Jersey, at least two weeks before the test date desired.

NEW ECONOMICS CLUB FORMED ON CAMPUS

Edward Kinkema was elected president of the newly organized Economics Forum at their first meeting held last Tuesday night. Other officers elected were Bob Shepherd, vice-president; and Dick Annis, secretary-treasurer.

The club expects to have several speakers during the coming year. Among these are Mr. Steens, president of Farmer Peet's, Inc. who will talk on the livestock market and farm prices. All persons are invited to these meetings and need not be economics students. The date and time of the first meeting will be announced later.

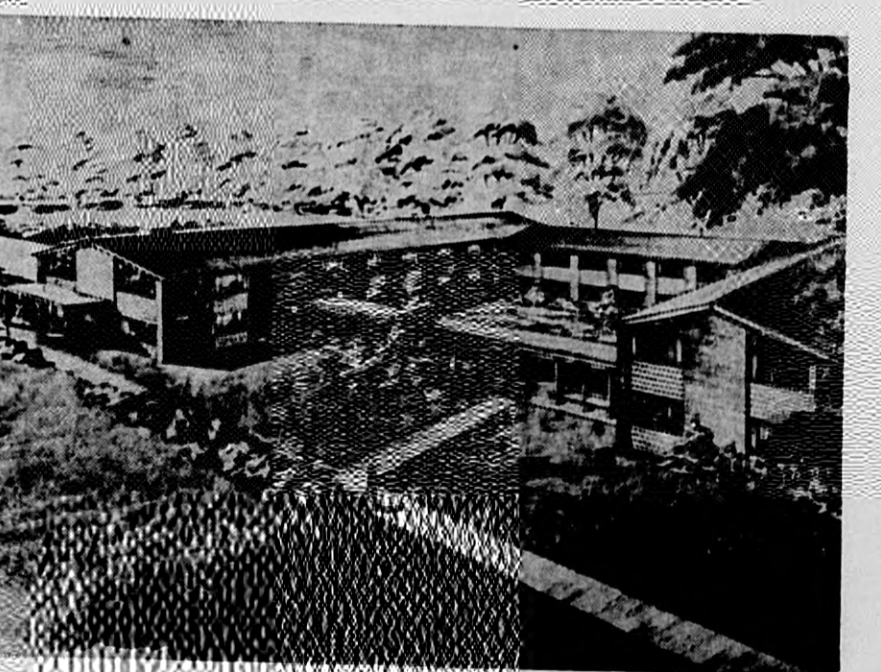
Dr. Rex M. King, head of the department of economics, is faculty advisor of this group.

ACA to Elect Year's Officers

A movie entitled "More for Peace" was shown at the year's first meeting of the Alma Christian Association, last Wednesday. Election of officers for 1955-56 will take place at the February 2 meeting, according to the president, Jim Hill.

ACA officers are elected at the beginning of the second semester and serve an apprenticeship term until next fall, in order to learn the duties and responsibilities of their offices.

Housing Fund on the Move



The final contribution from members of the board of trustees toward the \$500,000 housing fund has been received, according to information received from the president's office today. An announcement will be made by commencement concerning construction of the new women's dormitory.

The proposed women's residence hall, as conceived by the architect, will house about 150 girls. It will be at the west end of the campus where Davis Field now stands, 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 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.

Parties, Tea, Open House Occupy Greek Letter Groups

DELT SIGS TO PLAY ALPHA THETAS TONIGHT

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Thumbnail Sketches: First of a Series

Bud Miller, Bill McIntosh Lead Cagers

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Gridders Place 29th in Nat'l Offense

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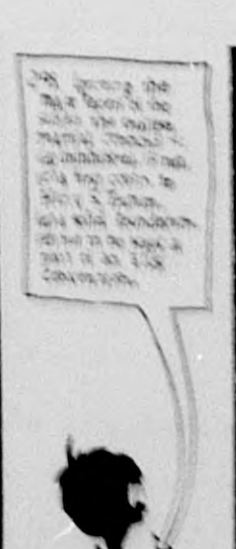
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Arnold: Multiple Guess



By Bill Johnson

Erratic Scot Cagers Get Revenge on Ferris Quintet in Wednesday Game

by John Noud

A hot and cold Alma squad got revenge on Ferris Institute who had handed them the opening loss of the season, by scoring an 83-73 victory Wednesday night.

An illustration of the Scots' inconsistency was the first ten minutes, in which they scored but nine points and managed to hit on only two field goals, in 25 attempts. As a result of this, the Scots found themselves on the short end of a 20-9 score.

Fortunately the three freshmen caught fire in the closing ten minutes of the first half. Anderson, Howarth and Ayling hit for 10, 8, and 6 as the Scots scored 35 points in one of the greatest scoring sprees that I have ever witnessed.

The second half found the Scots attempting to protect their 44-41 halftime lead. And protect it they did as Ford and Miller hit for 15 and 11 respectively in the second half.

As in the Soo Tech game Alma completely dominated the boards, Ford leading the way with 24 rebounds. Evidence of this is the fact that Alma got in an even hundred shots, by my unofficial statistics, which is truly an amazing total.

Once again a whole handful of Scots divided the scoring. Ford continued as leading man with 21 while Ayling, Anderson, Lude, Howarth and Carter scored 12, 11, 10, 9, and 8 respectively. However, Vander Laum of Ferris center, led the scoring parade with 23.

This balanced scoring, a season-long characteristic, gives proof of the depth of the squad. If the old bugaboo of ineligibility leaves its hands off this team, they will indeed be interesting in the second semester.

Calvinists Down Scots, 77-62

Calvin's fast-breaking squad downed the Alma Scots 77 to 62 in a hard fought battle January 5. Though the Scots had plenty of fight, they could not stop the hot Calvin team.

Calvin took the opening tip-off and scored the first basket. Big Jim Ford tipped in the first two of his 19 points for the Scots to tie the score. Throughout the remaining first quarter, it was a nip and tuck game with Alma on top 14 to 13 in the first quarter mark.

With only 15 seconds left in the second quarter, Alma scored in a hook shot and Calvin took the lead 15 to 11. From then with the end of the first half Calvin had control of the game and held up a substantial lead of 46 to 29.

At the beginning of the second half it looked as though Alma was back in the game. Anderson made a field goal and two charity tosses. Then Calvin came back with four points but Alma failed with six more. Again Calvin stopped the Scots attack and came out on top 63 to 43, at the end of the third quarter.

Alma made their last bid for the lead in the fourth quarter by putting in 10 points in succession with about five minutes, thirty seconds remaining in the game. Calvin overcame this final burst of points to win 77-62.

Vroon of Calvin was high point man for the game with 20 points. Jim Ford ran a close second for Alma with 19 points. Scoring percentages for the teams are as follows: Alma 37.5% of field goals and 52.3% of charity tosses; Calvin 38% of field goals and 85% of charity tosses.

Flint JC Claims Scots 91-78

Scots Now Need One Big Scorer, Noud Says

By John Noud

Flint J. C. continued its unbeaten streak by claiming the visiting Alma Scots as their tenth straight victim, 91-78, last Saturday.

Robeson, Flint's great center, hit for 26 points, while Bill Benson, ex-Alma student, added 19.

For the second time of the season the Scots had five players hit double figures in a losing cause. Ford with 16 led the parade and Howarth, Carter, Ayling, and Lude added 15, 14, 13 and 10, respectively.

Loss of Lude early in the second half due to fouls hurt the Scots considerably.

Now possessing a 4-4 record overall and a 2-2 league record the Scots are finding themselves in the strange position of having a scoring attack which is too well balanced. Having twice lost games in which five men have hit for double figures they have got to "unbalance" their attack to the point where they will have at least one big scorer.

Only in the Soo Tech game has a Scot hit for 20 points, both Lude and Ford doing so.

Regardless of how balanced your offense is, it is difficult to win if the opposing team's high scorer has 10 more points than yours.

Scots Top Soo Tech Hornets

By Wally Vance

On Friday, Jan. 7, the Alma Scots topped the Soo Tech Hornets 96 to 86. From the opening tip-off until half-time, the lead changed hands eleven times. The Hornets tied an all-court defense to stop the Alma quintet, but the Scots began to pull away.

Alma closed the half leading 49-44. Ford and Lude sparked the Scots' first half stand with eight points each. Alma was on the way to victory.

The Scots began to pull farther away at the beginning of the second half. Again the Hornets put on an all-court defense, but the Scots weren't to be stopped. The fine rebounding of Ford, Lude, and Bill McIntosh aided the Scot march.

Guard George Carter had the Hornet guards worried with his ball stealing. With 3:20 showing on the clock in the final period, Anderson injured his ankle and was removed from the game.

But nothing could stop Alma as they won by ten points, 96-86. Bud Miller showed his ability and his tremendous team spirit as captain of the Scots, with 12 points. Quinnell of Soo Tech was high point man for the game with 12 points. Ford and Lude tallied 20 points each for Alma.



"How did he get in the lineup?"

Drop to Britons after Overtime in Pre-Christmas Bout

By John Noud

A "die-hard" Alma squad forced Albion into overtime before falling 72-66 in the last game before the Christmas holidays.

The Scots came within a hair's breadth of winning as they rallied from a seven point deficit with less than six minutes to go, to knot the score.

Starting slow, the Scots hit for 25 points in the latter half of the first half to take a 40-38 lead.

They scored, however, only nine points in the first ten minutes of the second half and with Albion leading 51-49 the Britons virtually stalled the last ten minutes.

With less than six minutes to go points things looked very black, but Albion's stall began to "back fire" and when Wiley made both of his free throws the score was knotted 61-61 with some 41 seconds remaining.

Both teams has several chances to score in the remaining time but neither was able to connect.

The overtime was all Albion's as they pulled into an early four point lead and this time stalled so successfully that the Scots had to foul in order to get the ball.

Collinson, Albion's fine center, took scoring honors with 21, while team-mate Honnett netted 19. Alma's scoring was well balanced. Anderson and Ayling having 14 and Howarth, Ford and McIntosh 12.

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Arnold: Makeout King

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Ralph Hackett, Alma, with majors in mathematics and physics and a minor in German.

Judson Joyce, Monroe, having a major in psychology and minors in English and history.

Charles Kelly, Detroit, with a major in physics and minors in chemistry and mathematics.

John Laskarides, Allentown, Pa., majoring in physical education and having minors in education, history and general science.

Raymond Mayer, Alma, with a major in chemistry and minors in German, mathematics, physics, and social science.

Fred Wood, Newberry, a physical education major with minors in mathematics and education

Self-made men usually have a lot of working parts. H. C. Duffenbach.

Some girls spend four years learning how to behave in polite society and the rest of their lives trying to find it. W. J. C. Salak.

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gently set up a seven-man Faculty Advisory Committee anti provided that three of its members shall take part in any hearing on

llutt of a faculty member. The committees purpose will be to provide a channel of communication through which the president and trustees may secure faculty advice and counsel or. university matters.

its function will include: Evaluation of the functioning of the university policy on guest speakers as established by the Board of Trustees; selection of three members to participate in presidential hearings on termination of faculty tenure; and availability to the idont and trustees for advice and counsel on .any important matter rclali ,0 ,he operalion and deve,opmenr of the univer. sity

The action required amendment of portions of the university's statement of policy on academic appointments, tenure and promotions. in effect since 1951. and passage of a new racuiiy Rule 4.1. The amended statement of principles or faculty tenure defines pCrmanent tenure as that "terminaboniy by voluntary resignation, by retirement, or for incompetence or grave misconduct."

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clearly inimical to the best inteiests of the university, voluntary resignation, or retirement. The amendment also extended permanent tenure to the rank of instructor, as well as to profes-sorial ranks, although in the ranks of instructor and assistant professor, probationary periods are required.

Students Attack Admit Reporters "Pop" Quizzes and To Regents Meets

Freedom of the press got a boost on a college campus the

central State Coh?Re stuhcns con- if^leges admitted reporters to cerning examinations, teachers, Thdr sessions. thus breaking a SO-absences, and various other ques-year trad,tion of closed oors' tions confronting students here by : University of Michigan regents

Seventy per cent of those ques- had been proposed by the Michi- t t t t # Ran p, ^ . association and wa« hail- ed as a 'big gain in the light against secrecy.'

Two hundred and eighteen students considered true-false tests were not adequate type tests to measure the knowledge of a subject, yet 69 students thought they were quite adequate. One hundred and ninety-one students felt that tests frequently given had been written for past classes rather than for the current semester, while one hundred and thirty-six students stated that all tests appeared to be current.

Some of the suggestions offered by students were that all true-false questions be eliminated because they were sometimes presented in a tricky manner; study sheets should be given stating the material a test will cover; tests should be given frequently so the stu-

become familiar with the type of test the teacher gives and wIU have a better understand- ing of what to study, that their

have the tendency of putting their studics ofT until the ast minute and if only one test is given this can be very harmful to a student's grade. The survey seemed to reveal that if the instructors would give more tests the student would study for each individual test and thus keep the studies up-to-date.

Must Meet Deadline!

Rock Island, Illinois 'AGP)- When the power failed on the second floor of the Student Union at Augustana College here, the weekly Observer staff chased students from their downstairs bridge games and set up shop in the lounge.

Whitman College

The election of a major study may be made at any time after the first semester of a student's freshman year and before the end of the second semester of his sophomore year." Thus reads a new provision concerning the selection of a major study that was recently made by the Whitman Collee

The actual change, Douglas V McClane, director of freshman counseling, pointed out is one of

Minnesota's regents have always held meetings open to the press, though much of their important business- usually pertaining to property purchase, security restriction of discipline has gone on in closed executive sessions. The Michigan board also pried for executive sessions in their new

Executive sessions here general- ly concern matters which by their, Concurrent with the change in nature must be private. But the election of major study provis-

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