



# the almanian to Who's Who

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## Sculptress Does Portrait of Janet Chadwick

On Wednesday, November 9th, the famed sculptress, Mrs. Suzanne Silvercrays, spoke at the student assembly. Mrs. Silvercrays is well known as the only speaker on the subject of sculpture who demonstrates her art as she speaks.

Mrs. Silvercrays made her entrance dressed in a green velvet suit and matching beret. Her humorous comments about dressing for the occasion immediately gained for her the attention of her entire audience. On the table, which was her speaker's platform, she had placed a large wooden box from which she took a piece of Italian Plastalene, a claylike substance, shaped like a head without any features yet molded.

The sculptress then informed the students that as she spoke on about her experiences, she was going to do the head of someone in the audience in the piece of clay she had before her.

Her artistic beginnings were therapeutic. During a fight with tuberculosis in 1925, the tedious road to recovery was made more enjoyable by a large piece of clay given to her by a friend. The result of this sick ed artistry was her admission to the Yale School of Art. Mrs. Silvercrays finished the six year course in three years.

She went on to lecture in Boston on "Art through the Ages." During this lecture tour, she met a gentleman who bluntly told her how dull her lecturing sounded and suggested that she develop the technique of molding the head of someone in her audience as she spoke. She deemed this impossible and was given the response that "In America, Nothing Is Impossible." Her success from this suggestion was two-fold as she not only became a great lecturing success, but also married the blunt gentleman.

Still molding the clay form on the table before her, she spoke of doing a bust of Past President Herbert Hoover and her experience in Washington. She mentioned famous movie stars and statesmen

who had posed for her and explained why portrait sculpture is less realistic than true life modeling. By talking to and knowing the person beforehand, she is able to include in her work the living qualities of the person that a still-life portrait cannot show.

Upon this note Mrs. Silvercrays finished the head upon which she had been working and asked the young lady to stand up. The finished art was a living portrait of Janet Chadwick, an Alma Senior.

The speaker concluded her speech by saying that the deep influence upon her success has been a continually developing faith in God and the peace radiates as an individual gift, either given or acquired, through prayer, our greatest weapon.

## Cavanaugh Speaks at Meeting

State Attorney General Thomas Cavanaugh accepted an invitation by the Bi-Partisan Political Forum to appear on the college campus on Wednesday, November 16.

Following Mr. Cavanaugh's address on the duties of his office, heard in Old Main at 8:00 p.m., there was an open discussion period in which guests questioned the speaker concerning matters in current state and national politics.

This meeting is the second in a series to continue through the year, sponsored by the student Bi-Partisan Political Forum and designed to bring noted state and national political figures to the Alma campus, so that students and others interested may be able to get a better view of the men in government and a wider understanding of the present policies and points at issue in the political arena.

To Appear Here  
December 2



RUBEN VARGA

Ruben Varga, a blind Israeli virtuoso on his second tour will be featured at the first Civic Music Foundation Concert on December 2. He is acclaimed in major U. S. music centers and in Europe. "A player of uncommon ability who needs no indulgence because of his handicap."—New York Herald Tribune.

## Women's Open Houses Called Success

More than 150 guests spent last Friday evening dancing and visiting at the Open Houses of Bruske and Wright Hall.

The highlight of the evening was the judging of the rooms and the presentation of ribbons for the winning rooms. The judging was based on homelikeness, neatness and originality. Awards went to: Janet Potter and Pat Sowers; Judy Volk and Roema Lee Rohlf; Penny Frischkorn, Pat Wilson, Carrie Wood and Pat Fester; Nancy Johnson and Mary Lou Reed; Ruth Stoel and Barbara Swanson; Marlene Kohler and Kay Davis; and Sharon Beardsley and Marilyn Cheney. Bernard Kotarov and Janet Osborne were the winners at Bruske.

The girls would like to thank Mr. and Mrs. Stielstra, Dr. Miller, Dr. McKeefery, Dr. and Mrs. Barker, Mr. Storey and Mr. Mikle for judging the rooms.

We would also like to extend a big thanks to Janet Kerby for the swell job she did in organizing the Open House and to all those who worked to make it a success.

## Future Teachers Meeting

FTA has had four meetings this year. The first meeting was held in the men's lounge of Tyler Center. Tom Dodd, pres., welcomed the new and old members. The club charter was then read by Bettie Dillon. To close the meeting, refreshments were served by Miss Pigg.

Mr. and Mrs. Lance were imported from Mt. Pleasant as speakers for the second meeting. Mr. Lance is the principal of an elementary school there, and Mrs. Lance is a counselor at Mt. Pleasant High. They gave a very enjoyable presentation of their experiences while teaching.

Two movies on "Classroom Problems" were shown at the third meeting.

The foreign students on campus led the discussion for the fourth meeting. They made some very interesting comments on the problems in foreign classrooms.

The next meeting will be in the form of a Thanksgiving party. We would like to see more of the future teachers there. All future teachers are cordially invited to attend all meetings.

# Eleven Named to Who's Who

Three juniors and eight seniors have been elected to "Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities" for this year.

They are Paula Bare, Donald Jackson, Mary Margaret Johnson, Eugene Pattison, Leroy Posey, Roema Lee Rohlf, Sally Souders, George Spriggs, David Stockman, James Wagar and Edna Williams.

## Phi on the Town . . . Rome

This Saturday night is the time for Phi Phi Alpha Fraternity to present their annual "Phi on the Town".

It has been tradition for the Phi to use the name and customs of a certain town for the theme of their all-college dance. Last year we went to Paris, France; the year before it was Nome, Alaska. This year Phi Phi Alpha takes us to the "Eternal City" . . . ROME

The theme of the dance is to be "carried to the hilt", incorporating all the splendor of that ancient city. The trends of Hollywood's Quo Vadis and Julius Caesar extravaganzas are to be reflected in the decor and entertainment of the dance, which Phi Phi Alpha says will be "the most beautiful memory of the year".

The entertainment is to be presented in an entirely new manner. The system is called a "progressive floor show" or a "party in the round". That is, continuous entertainment occurring spontaneously throughout the evening. For this reason, dancers will want to come early and stay late!

Tickets are on sale every evening in Tyler Center, and can be obtained from any member of the fraternity. But . . . because of the immensity of the decorations there is a limited amount of dancing space. So only 150 tickets will be sold! Try to get yours early, at \$1 per couple. We'll see you in Rome, from 8 to 12, this Saturday night!

## Vreeland Speaks at Albion Dinner

Mrs. Esther Vreeland, Director of Women, was the principal speaker at a Ladies' Luncheon given by the Albion Chapter of the International Brotherhood of Women.

This dinner, given annually by the college, was a success. Mrs. Vreeland's address was a most interesting and inspiring one.

The title of her address was "The Role of Women in Society".

## Parnassians Contributions to Anthology

Students who write poetry, fiction, essays, or do art work are urged to submit copy for the winter Pine River Anthology, college literary magazine, according to the editors, Gene Pattison and Phyllis Dresbach. Deadline for contributions is November 30.

The next meeting of the Parnassians will be held this Sunday at 7 p.m. in the Men's Lounge of Tyler.

## Biology Club Plants Trees

The Biology Club has as one of its projects this year a plan to add new species of trees and shrubs to the excellent collection that already enhances our campus. The first step of this plan was begun Saturday, Nov. 5th, when some of the members of the club and Dr. Eyer planted two new species at the north end of Bahlke Field.

Equipped with the college truck, shovels and burlap bags, they went to Montcalm County in search of sassafras shrubs and tamarack trees. On returning to the campus they planted 60 sassafras shrubs along the base of the spruce trees at the north end of Bahlke Field. As these shrubs grow, they should be a colorful addition to the background of the green spruce trees, particularly during the fall season. Four small tamarack trees were placed along the edge of the baseball field. The Biology Club hopes to continue this activity by planting sumac among the sassafras. With the characteristics of these added trees and shrubs, the already pleasant setting should be made even more beautiful.

Paula Bare is a junior from Midland. In her freshman year Paula was assistant editor of the Scotsman, and editor in her sophomore year. She is this year's editor of the almanian. Paula is a member of the Alpha Theta, W.A.A., and the Chemistry Club, has been on Wright Hall Judicial Council for two years, and is, at present, a Dormitory Assistant.

Mary Margaret Johnson, editor of the Scotsman, is an English major from Harbor Beach. She has been active in Kappa Iota Band, Judicial Council, A.C.A., almanian, and has been secretary-treasurer of her class since the second semester of last year.

Donald Jackson, a junior in Who's Who from Holt. Don has participated in Student Council, Inter-Fraternity Council, Chess Club, Intramurals, and the track team. He is first vice-president of A.C.A., and chaplain of Delta Gamma Tau.

Eugene Pattison, who for the second year is editor of the almanian, has majors in English and psychology and plans to receive a Secondary Teaching Certificate. He has been active in A.C.A., Radio, and Forensics. Gene is a member of Phi Sigma Pi, and has been president and vice-president of Lambda Iota Tau. He edited last year's almanian, and was president of Die Lustige Gesellschaft and is president of Parnassians.

Leroy Posey is an English major from Detroit. He was on Student Council during his freshman and sophomore years, and is in A.C.A. and Delta Gamma Tau.

The activities of Roema Lee Rohlf include Highland Masquerade, V.T.A., M.E.N.C., Choral Union, Le Cercle Francais, Phi Sigma Pi, Kappa Iota, and Junior Intramurals Corps. Roema Lee is majoring in English and plans to receive a Secondary Teaching Certificate.

Sally Souders is from Alma, and is majoring in French. She is a member of Kappa Iota sorority, and has been active in Junior Intramurals, Choral Union, Le Cercle Francais, where she served as president, Junior Counselor, and Piano Duo. Sally is planning on getting a Secondary Teaching Certificate.

James Wagar has been president of Delta Gamma Tau and Die Lustige Gesellschaft, secretary of Inter-Fraternity Council, and treasurer of Student Council. He has also been in A.C.A., Choir, Parnassians, Forensics, and Intramurals. Detroit is his hometown and he is majoring in English.

President of the Senior Class is Dave Stockham from Fenton. In addition to being a member of Delta Gamma Tau fraternity, Dave has been in Student Council, Basketball and Intramurals. Economics is Dave's major.

Edna Williams, Business Administration major from Pontiac, is now president of Phi Phi Alpha. He is vice-president of the Senior class and president of Le Cercle Francais. His other activities include almanian, Choral Union, Intramurals, Inter-Fraternity Council, and Cross Country Team.

The final member is Edna Williams, from Elk Rapids. Edna's major is English, and she plans to receive her Secondary Teaching Certificate. She is president of Alpha Theta, and has been treasurer and vice-president of that organization. Edna has been secretary of Student Council, Judicial Council and Lambda Iota Tau, and active in A.C.A., Choir, almanian, Highland Masquers, Forensics, Alpha Psi Omega.

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## Big-Name Dance to Feature Thornhill

On Dec. 1st the Alma College Student Council is presenting their annual big-name dance which this year will feature Claude Thornhill and his orchestra.

Claude Thornhill received his basic training in music at Cincinnati's Conservatory of Music and the Curtis Institute of Music in Philadelphia. From there he went into the practical field as pianist and arranger. He worked with such musical greats as Bing Crosby, Benny Goodman, Charlie Spivak and the late Glenn Miller. Maxine Sullivan will long be in his debt for his arrangement of "Loch Lomond", with which she soared to fame.

With an orchestra comprised of musicians who have been carefully selected according to their merits as individual artists and ability to blend easily into their instrumental section, Mr. Thornhill has come forth with something new on the musical horizon. The rich quality of his orchestra is due to an uncommon arrangement of the reed and brass section. Thornhill has three trumpets, two trombones, five men doubling on sax and clarinet and one French Horn which is an innovation to the dance world.

His piano virtuosity and his arrangements, always superb in the past, have been supplemented with new and improved ideas. His Columbia records show a continuous stream of successive hits.



Claude Thornhill

The dance will be held in Tyler Center from 9-1. Tickets may be purchased from a Student Council member for \$3.30 per couple. The dance is semi-formal.

## Claude Thornhill Dance

Dec. 1 9-1  
\$3.30 per couple

EDITORIAL:

Our beautiful new Student Center has seen better days. At one time, visitors could be shown through the building without seeing people with their feet marring beautiful tables; with indelible pen marks on the lamps; with the furniture rearranged in a jumbled mess; with newspapers scattered around the room, on the chairs, couches, tables and floors; with curtains askew; with cigarette holes in the upholstery, and burns on the tables; and with books and coats scattered throughout the rooms.

Our union was built to be lived in and facilities were provided to make it liveable. Included in these facilities are the coat rooms provided with hangars and book racks where articles can be placed without being offensive to the eye, as they are in the main lounge. The small lounges were provided as quiet places in which studying could be done, meetings could be held, not as private sitting rooms where promiscuous behavior can be found.

With a little thought and care Tyler Center could be easily the most attractive of our new buildings to visitors on campus. If we could remember to keep our feet off the tables, to put books and coats in their proper places, to use the ash trays that are provided, to throw waste paper into the receptacles provided and to put the furniture where it belongs after it is used, our student center could be a source of pride to all students.

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GUEST EDITORIAL:

A fraternity is a brotherhood. Its goal is to bring together in close association a group of college students who will be congenial, loyal, and helpful to one another during their college years and, so far as circumstances permit, throughout their lives.

Refinement, courtesy and good taste, are traits which fraternities work to develop in its members.

Alma College, "Where friendliness links learning to living" can be paralleled with the definition of fraternities I have stated.

A fraternity is not a loafing place or boarding club, where persons are privileged to indulge in practices which would not be tolerated in their own homes.

Alma's student body with its traditions and school spirit does not tolerate the above.

Following brotherhood and positive ideals develops spirit. Spirit has a vague meaning to us all, it cannot be defined, only understood.

This spirit, such as common courtesy in the chow line, is not acquired over-night, nor will it be adopted by speech making.

You, the student body, can make our school spirit live and prosper.

For example: Sacrificing your personal selfish interests in chow line.

The key to a living and growing school spirit is PERSONAL SACRIFICE.

Bill Tracy
Pres. Inter-Fraternity Council

One Set Apart

We had no idea he'd withdraw
For love of solitude. In its maw
Our gaping custom could not hold him fast,
And leveling sociability never passed
His eyes. He stood apart.

As we grew up, we noticed little things
That set him off, as when one sings
Off-key, or when one fails
In stoning dogs or tying cans to kittens' tails.

Some made excuses, an attempt to say
That there was reason in his chosen way.
While other claimed, (their claims were evidential)
That he'd become a dirty existential.

Anonymous

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Music Dept. News

On Wednesday, November 16, 1955, another Alma College Music Department recital was given in the college chapel. The selections included: two numbers sung by Mary Lynn Black, soprano, Janet McLeod as accompanist; a duo-piano number by Marieta Aumaugher and Mrs. Mae Nelson Stewart; a saxophone solo by Sandra Robinson; three numbers by Alan Watterworth, tenor, Leona Lanshaw, accompanist; a two-part invention number by Nan Stromberg and Mrs. Mae Nelson Stewart; the "Stentorian Polka", by John Moon on his trombone; two numbers by Janet Chadwick, soprano, Janet McLeod accompanist; and a two-part inventions selection by Barbara Lyons and Mrs. Mae Nelson Stewart.

The Alma College A Cappella Choir leaves for its annual Christmas Choir Trip on December 3, 1955. We wish them the best of luck for a successful trip.

The dates for the Alma Civic Music Association Concerts have now been announced. The first concert, by a violin soloist, Ruben Varga, will be December 1. The second concert, on January 17, will feature Carola Goya and Matteo in "Dances of the World."

On February 20, Carl Palangi, bass-baritone, will perform, and, finally, on March 3, the Mozart Piano Festival, Orchestra, and Three Pianos with Borris Goldovsky, Luboshutz and Nemenoff will perform. Admission will be by membership cards only, and the concerts will be held in the Alma High School auditorium at 8 p.m. There will be no reserved seats.

The members of the Student Charter of Music Educators National Conference have been appointed as ushers for the concerts. These members are: Janet McLeod, Marieta Aumaugher, Leona Lanshaw, Roema Lee Rohlfs, Janet Potter, Virginia Larke, Alan Watterworth, Dale Hanson, and Ken Smith.

Social Calendar

November 18, Friday: Chapel; Play, 8:15 p.m.

November 19, Saturday: Debate, Albion, there; Phi on the Town.

November 21, Monday: Chapel, Reverend Vernon Smith (Holt).

November 22, Tuesday Student Council, 7:00 p.m.; El Circulo Espanol, 7:00 p.m.; French Club, 7:00 p.m.; Chemistry Club, 7:00 p.m.; Choral Union, 7:30 p.m.

November 23, Wednesday: THANKSGIVING VACATION, 11:00 p.m.

November 28, Monday: Classes, 8:00 a.m.; Chapel.

November 29, Tuesday: Student Council Meeting, 7:00 p.m.; Choral Union, 7:30 p.m.

November 30, Wednesday: Vet's Club, 6:15 p.m.; A.C.A., 7:00 p.m.

December 1, Thursday: Big-Name Dance, 9:00 p.m.

December 2, Friday: Chapel.

Queer Quips

by Dick Schluckbier

Have you ever seen "Wally Weight-lifter," the typical Alma College student gaily tripping or rather breathlessly staggering around campus with 20 pounds of literature, studies, paper, pencils, books, erasers, and all other necessities of a student?

It's a fact, believe it or not, that the average student at Alma carries an average of 20 pounds of books during the course of a week. In a tabulation of books carried, it was found that "Joe and Mary Alma College" carry on an average of two to five books a day, or if you like larger figures he carries 1,425 pounds of books. Quite a load huh? Just try carrying your father's car around sometime and you will have some idea of what you carry in books in a year. We have more figures for you. The school on an average, carries 997,563 pounds of books a year. Put all the colleges with their large enrollments together and the final figure would be enormous. Too large and fantastic for us to figure and pass on in this column.

However, a quote from our notes expresses our sentiment on the topic; "UG!"

The World on Parade

by Jack Homer

Buenos Aires — Argentina's new government moved troops and tanks to strategic positions Monday night to brace against a strike threat by the General Confederation of Labor. The strike call came about as a result of the government seizure of the labor organizations two newspapers, El Lider and La Prensa. Clashes were already reported between strikers and soldiers in Rosario, Argentina's second largest city. Juan Peron, unseated president now an exile in Prensa, said, "Sunday's coup was expected and will continue... there will be others shortly."

United Nations, N. Y. — A Western split has come about as the result of the Russian sponsorship of Outer Mongolia's claim to a U. N. seat. A Soviet spokesman said that Russia would not agree to admit any other nations unless Outer Mongolia is also admitted.

Geneva — Secretary of State John Foster Dulles warned the Russians Monday night against unloading any surplus World War II arms on the world market. The reference to the Red sale of arms to Egypt was a basic point. Dulles said that this was vastly different from the East-West trade advocat-

ed by last summer's Big Four conference and should be halted at once.

Detroit — The CIO sent a note to its New York Convention a few days ago concerning the proposed CIO-AFL merger. After twenty years, if it is approved, the CIO will finally rejoin its parent organization. Some efforts, however feeble, were always in progress during the years of AFL and CIO separation, and finally these efforts will pay off. Workers will vote December 1 on the merger, but leaders speak of this vote as a "mere formality".

East Lansing — Dr. B. R. Van Leer of the Georgia Institute of Technology said Monday that his school has found a satisfactory way to supply industry with technicians. The answer came, he said, when the school established a two-year program at the Southern Technical Institute. Although short courses are frowned upon in general by educators, such technical institutes are growing in number. Dr. Van Leer was one of the many speakers at the meeting held to help MSU celebrate her 100th anniversary.

Our Chapel's Steeple

by John Moon

When I look up at the steeple high,
I often wonder what it meets in the sky,
Is it the glory of God which we can feel and see,
Or is it not to be known by you or me?

The cross atop our steeple here,
Has a special meaning, beautiful and clear:
As I gaze in adoration and in praise
I wish for Christ's spirit all our days

The lights which shine on the steeple
Are as a light to those here,
To me it means God's guiding light
For one who suffers with fear.

If ever you are frightened,
Or bewildered with loads of care,
Remember God is with you
To help when you're in despair.

As we all gaze at this steeple high
In a state of heavenly peace,
May all wrong in the world
Come to a quick and painless cease.

Student Council News

With the big dance coming up Dec. 1st, the council is working hard on preparations to make this dance one to be long remembered. All the committees are hard at work. Tickets are now on sale.

The council has been working for several weeks on the problems of the 'chow hall' line. Cutting in is one of the main problems under consideration and we hope in the new future to have a solution. We hope that the student body will take it upon themselves to help alleviate this problem.

Chem Club Meets

The first chemistry club meeting was held November 8th. Dr. Potter showed movies about petroleum products. Professor Skinner spoke on the Rare Earths. After some general discussion, the meeting closed with refreshments, cider and doughnuts.

Monday evening, November 14, some of the members accompanied Dr. Potter to Midland for the monthly A.C.S. meeting. The first part of the program consisted of a film depicting the work done by the Lilley Laboratories. Lilley is one of the leading producers of biologicals, pharmaceuticals, and antibiotics. Following this, Dr. Max Lauffer, a biophysicist from the University of Pittsburgh, gave a very interesting lecture on "Viruses". He chose one virus, the Tobacco Mosaic, and presented a brief resume of the research done on it to date. A question and answer period followed the lecture. Those attending from Alma were: Al Amaya, Lowell Lindy, Janet Nunn, and J. P. Ryan.

This little note and reply were recently placed on the candy machine in the Wright Hall basement. We thought they might be of interest to all. Ed.

Mr. Candy Man,
How about it? We ask you nicely for a shiny new machine and get no results. I've lost 20 cents in this one myself, and heaven only knows how many other girls have lost money too. We're all sick of it!

A Disturbed Co-ed.
Dear Disturbed Co-eds,
Shiny new machines do not grow on trees. Have patience!! For those of you who lose money, simply leave your names, and we will see that you get it back. Please do not destroy our faith in the future of womanhood by acting like a bunch of vandals.

Candy Man
Our reply to the candy man is that we agree. Ed.

Biology Club Hears Doctors

On Thursday, November 17th, Drs. Kirk Cammach and Burt Parliament presented a talk to the members of the Alma College Biology Club on the treatment of bone fractures. Drs. Cammach and Parliament are both resident surgeons at Hurley Hospital in Flint, Michigan, which is well known for the modern method of repairing broken bones.

Before the meeting, the doctors were the guests of the club for dinner in the small dining room of Van Dusen Commons. During this time they became well acquainted with the group and discussed informally some of the many interesting things which happen in the medical profession.

At 7:00 the group went into the Van Dusen Lounge for their meeting.

Using x-ray pictures and vivid case histories, Drs. Cammach and Parliament presented an impressive lecture of many different types of fractures. The program ended with an informal question and answer period.

Want Ads.

by Dick Schluckbier

FOR RENT OR LEASE: One seat in chemistry class. Owner willing to vacate immediately. Desperate.

WANTED: More good assemblies to break the monotony of class work. (Say one a week.)

LOST: Numerous good resolutions to bring up low marks. Missed since the third day after mid-semester.

PERSONAL: Would the person who accidentally pulled off my right arm in the stampede to the cafeteria please return same, as it is my writing, eating, etc. arm and I need it badly. Anxious.

FOR SALE: Projects of ancient and forgotten Scotsmen carefully preserved and filed over the years. All subjects listed, all information available. These projects are still being assigned. Slight fee.

All students and faculty are invited to submit original work for the almanian.

# With the Greeks

## ALPHA THETA

The Alpha Theta sorority has two major projects underway. On Sunday, November 20, a Thanksgiving tea will be held for the patronesses and their guests. The following day, November 21, in place of the regular meeting, the sorority will visit the Gratiot County Farm.

A program will be presented at the farm, including group singing, two readings, a Charleston number, and a closing song by the Thetas. The purpose of this visit will be to get acquainted with the folks at the farm. Each of the Thetas will make it a point to meet one of the people living at this home. After the group's closing number, some gifts will be given to the residents and following a fellowship period the Thetas will return home.

Committees are hard at work to make the tea a success. The committees and their chairmen are: refreshments, Dorothy Harker; decorations, Carol Blank; and clean-up, Nancy Weldy. Before the tea, new members will find themselves polishing furniture and in general, restoring the room to its best condition.

## DELTA GAMMA TAU

A peaceful and scholarly atmosphere prevailed at the Delt house for the last two weeks, interrupted only by the open house on Nov. 5th. The hard-working brothers laid aside their textbooks to welcome guests from the faculty and student body. Everyone enjoyed dancing to the recorded music of the top artists in the field of modern music. Refreshments were later served.

## DELTA SIGMA PHI

Delta Sigma Phi's redecorating bug seems to be still present. All the fellows get together and painted the basement, and the next project is to redecorate the two remaining undecorated study rooms.

Most of the guys are looking forward to Dec. 5 and the State Conclave that is to be held in Jackson. The brothers of Delta Sigma Phi would like to thank everyone who attended the Open House.

It is hoped that the new furniture will be here shortly after Thanksgiving Vacation.

The Wednesday night delivery of pizza, with many people subscribing to this weekly service, is a suc-

cess. We can still accommodate some new customers, so anyone wishing a breath of old Italy should contact our representatives at Pioneer Hall or Wright Hall between 6:30 and 7:30 Wednesday. Remember weight is relative, let's all get fat together!

Coming events include bowling and volleyball games.

## KAPPA IOTA

On Saturday, Nov. 5, the K. I.'s entertained their fathers at a steak dinner, and took them to the Ferris game. This was the first of what we hope will become an annual Father-Daughter event.

The K.I.'s are making plans for their Thanksgiving patroness tea, which will be held next Sunday.

A collection has been taken to buy a Thanksgiving basket for a needy family.

Congratulations to Sally Souders, Roema Lee Rohlfis and Mary Margaret Johnson, who will be listed in "Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities."

## PHI PHI ALPHA

Tomorrow night the Phis present for your enjoyment, "Phi on

the Town". Come join with us for fun, excitement, and entertainment in Tyler Center Auditorium on Saturday 19, at 8:00. See you there!

The Phi's volleyball and bowling teams are again competing for the All-Sports Trophy in the intramural league.

We were happy to have Dean Rufener with us at our last meeting.

## SIGMA PHI

Monday, November 14, we had our Autumn Patroness Tea at 7:00 p.m. We were fortunate that Mrs. Loddell, Mrs. Stuckey, Mrs. Sullivan, Miss Dillinger, Mrs. Eyer and Mrs. Stieistra and daughter were able to attend. Also we were glad that Mrs. Harker, Mrs. Hall and Mrs. Vreeland came to our tea. Pat Anderson gave a short welcome and B. J. Catlin read a few poetic selections.

We hope that as everyone leaves for Thanksgiving vacation, that they will remember to give thanks for the innumerable good things we have at Alma College and also that the national state is not more critical.

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## Do You Know What You're Looking At?

First in a series of ten articles by Jodie Lilley

In Van Dusen Commons there are 10 lovely stained glass windows with many designs and foreign words. Perhaps an explanation is in order so that when you stand in those eternal lines to eat you will know what's what.

The windows were originally in the Memorial Presbyterian Church of Detroit and were given to Alma College when our Chapel was built in 1940. The windows were then put into Van Dusen when it was built in 1953. The story of the martyrs of the Church and their attempt to establish their faith is beautifully portrayed on them.

The designs illustrate the history of the various European countries in which the Reformed Churches have the Presbyterian System. The first stained window on the south side of the building is Germany's. The shield at the top designates the two countries, Germany and Switzerland, from which the German Reformed Church received its chief strength. HEIDELBERG CATECHISM PALATINATE A.D. 1563 signifies the place and year of the establishment of the Church's creed. Beneath the shield you will see "Herr, Nach Deinem Will!"—"according to Thy will, O Lord," which was a motto of King Frederick III, who had a vote in the Holy Roman Empire.

In the same panel are the words, on a ribbon, last spoken by Frederick, "Lutz Wirds Nicht Thun, Mein Fritz Wirds Thun,"—"Louis will not do, my Fritz will do." This proved prophetic, for Lutz, or Louis, attempted to destroy his father's work, but when he died shortly thereafter, the

regency fell to John Cassimir who held it until Frederick, son of Louis, or "Fritz", came to the throne and reestablished his grandfather's work.

Next follows a tablet with the names and dates connected with the establishment of the Dutch church in Germany.

On the last panel is a seal of the German Church of America, carrying a clergyman on one side and an American Indian on the other, holding open the Bible. Beneath this is a tablet bearing the names of the early missionaries in America.

## Do What You Can

People sometimes grow discouraged because their work seems unimportant. Consider the story of the candle . . .

A candle lay on a high shelf, unnoticed, half forgotten. One day the keeper of the house took the candle from the shelf and carried it up a long, winding stairway.

"Where are you taking me?" asked the candle.

"To show 'big ships their way across the sea," was the reply.

"But no ship could possibly see by the light of my tiny flame," scoffed the candle.

"Leave that to me," said the keeper as he carefully lit the light-house beacon and blew out the flame of the tiny candle.

## Who's Who

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W.A.A., and Junior Counseling Corps.

The selections are made by a combined vote of the Student Council and members of the faculty. Nominations are made on the basis of scholarship, leadership and participation in extra-curricular activities, and citizenship to the school. Seniors must have an over-all 2.25 grade average and juniors an over-all 2.5 average.

## Velvetones Make Debut

This Saturday night the "Velvetones," a not-too-official college organization, make their debut for this year. A word of explanation for those not too familiar with this group: they are a six piece dance orchestra, now entering their third year of "union evasion." They got their start in 1953 at a little polka palace in Edmore, Michigan, but when the lips gave out the money did too, so they spent the remainder of the year playing spasmodically around the Alma College area. In their second year, they went deeply into debt to obtain some danceable music to render to the stomping herds of high schools, fraternities, dog shows, etc. This year, after a mad search for an uninhibited piano player, and weeks of practice, they have again found the gumption to get into the public eye once more and plug away at it. The music sounds a little more like music and their hopes of universal acceptance are high. (a Note to RCA Victor: they have no contracts at present. There is talk of a vocal group appearing with them in the near future . . . the "Velvettes".

The band's personnel includes: Stu Young, George Huyskens, Tom Doud, Dick Berry, Jim Gordon, and Spence Cordes. They are trying to employ a real "Saxy Sound" and give out with some bits that are really "cool and caresing."

The Velvetones will appreciate any suggestions or criticisms concerning their commodity, either

during or after this Saturday's dance. A little list of your favorite dance tunes would be of great help to them, and your help will be deeply appreciated.

## The Rain and Its Creatures

by Jodie Lilley

A scampery squirrel left his leafy camp

To find a nut in the weather damp  
He searched in the yellow and orange and brown

For food he liked, but none could be found.

A fluffy flurrey scurried by;  
I wonder why he desired not to be dry.

But in the silver wetness  
I saw and remembered — beauty and forgetfulness.

A ball of scoot skipped away  
To scamper up brown, black and gray.

In rain Nature is brightest and Her creatures the nicest.

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Alma Scots lost a heartbreaking game to Hope. The final score was 37-14. Here we see Marv Raab on his 45 yard run.

# Scots Lose to Hope

For the last two years the Alma Scots have started out like a house afire, but toward the end of the season they dwindled to only a faintly glowing ember. True to past Alma teams, this year's won the first four games, only to lose the last five out of five.

The Scots dropped their final game of the season to the Hope Dutchmen, 37-14. Hope won around, through and passed over the weak Scot defense for six touchdowns, 385 yds. and 37 points.

Kuyers, the Hope fullback, personally accounted for 206 yds. and two touchdowns. It was Kuyers who scored on a 15 yd. run between end and tackle. Van Hoeven converted and Hope led early in the 2nd quarter 7-0. Hope again scored before the half ended, Woodcock scored on a 37 yd. pass from Voss. The extra point was missed and Hope led 13-0.

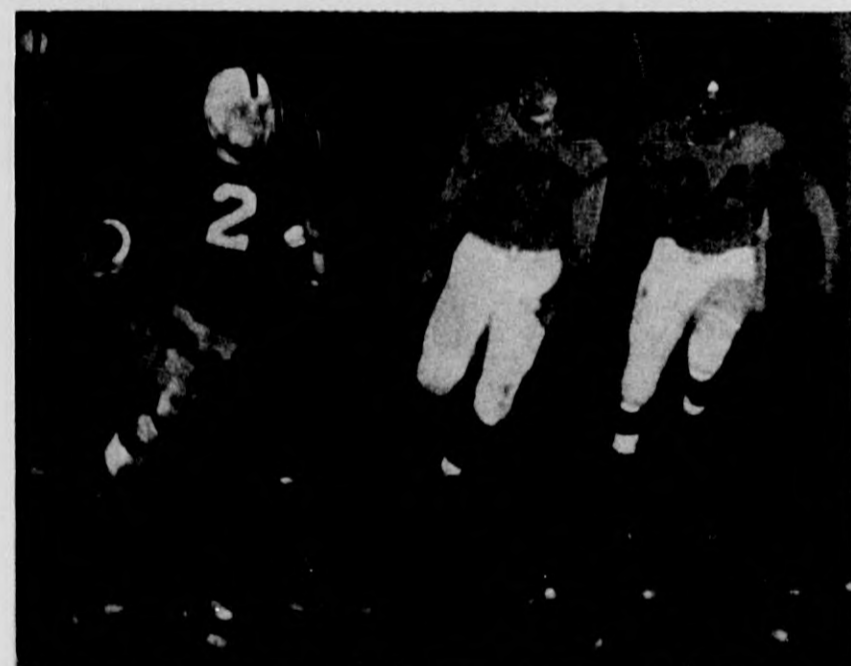
Alma then took the ball and the Scots' candidate for Little All-

American, Marv Raab, ran to his left, then reversed his field and scampered for 45 yds. and Alma's first touchdown. Ayling's kick was good from 37 yds. and the score stood 13 to 7.

The second half started, and the Hope squad scored three touchdowns in less than 20 minutes. Johnny Adams scored twice. Kuyers scored on a 37 yd. run, and a scoring drive by Vossen to Faven only added insult to injury to the Scots. Ayling plunged 1 yd. for Alma's final touchdown of the game and the year. Raab converted, making the final score Hope 37, Alma 14.

Alma's halfback Marv Raab gained 960 yds. in 103 carries, an average of 9.3 yds. per carry this year.

|            | Hope | Alma |
|------------|------|------|
| 1st downs  | 17   | 13   |
| yd. rush.  | 293  | 195  |
| pass att.  | 9    | 9    |
| pass comp. | 4    | 4    |
| yd. pass.  | 92   | 41   |
| fumbles    | 0    | 2    |
| punt. avg. | 26.2 | 33   |



The most thrilling play of the year was when Bob Atkins went 102 yards for a touchdown in the Alma-Ferris game.

# Ferris Take Scots

The hurricane season has passed and hurricanes are given girls' names. Yet, Alma College football fans won't disagree when it is said that the Scots encountered hurricane Ferris when they ran up against Ferris Institute.

Like most hurricanes, hurricane Ferris caused considerable damage. It resulted in a 39-20 defeat for Alma and was responsible for holding Marv Raab to 69 yds. on 10 carries. Going into the game Raab was leading the nation in yards rushing. His lead is now seriously jeopardized.

Ferris started fast. They scored twice in both the 1st and 2nd quarters and added their final two in the 4th.

Saginaw's McLean, Hodnett, and Ely were particularly poisonous to the Scots. McLean got 105 yards on 13 attempts, which included T.D. runs of 9 and 60 yds. Quarterback Hodnett returned a punt 75 yds. for a T.D., ran 16 for another and passed to end Ely for still another.

In spite of the score Alma fans got a chance to cheer about one of the longest T.D. runs of this year or any other year. Early in the 4th quarter, Bob Atkins grabbed a kickoff two yards deep in his own end zone and ran it all the way for a 102 yd. T.D. run!

Frank Lawrence and Tom John-

son provided the other T.D.'s for the Scots on runs of 5 and 12 yds.

|              | Alma | Ferris |
|--------------|------|--------|
| 1st downs    | 9    | 11     |
| yd. rushing  | 122  | 298    |
| yd. pass.    | 46   | 32     |
| passes at.   | 18   | 6      |
| passes comp. | 5    | 4      |
| passes int.  | 0    | 2      |
| fumbles      | 2    | 1      |
| yd. pen.     | 25   | 75     |
| punt avg.    | 20   | 23     |

# Final MIAA Standings

|           | W | L | P.F. | P.A. |
|-----------|---|---|------|------|
| Hillsdale | 6 | 0 | 208  | 60   |
| Kalamazoo | 4 | 2 | 98   | 82   |
| Alma      | 3 | 3 | 114  | 102  |
| Hope      | 3 | 3 | 162  | 90   |
| Albion    | 3 | 3 | 72   | 94   |
| Adrian    | 2 | 4 | 77   | 135  |
| Olivet    | 0 | 6 | 32   | 200  |

# Four Attend Conference

The purpose of the Women's Athletic Association is to promote athletics, to create a love of sports, and to foster the ideal of good sportsmanship. Membership is open to any college woman who earns a hundred points by participation in sports offered. Meetings are scheduled for all members the first Wednesday after the first Tuesday of each month.

Last weekend, November 4-5 there was a meeting of the Athletic and Recreation Federation of Michigan College Women at Clear Lake. W.A.A. sent four representatives. The purpose of this organization is to further athletic activities for college women and its platform is based upon the ideal "Play for play's sake." Athletic and Recreation Federation of Michigan College Women is a member of the national organization of Athletic Federation of College Women. There are over two hundred colleges and universities which are members of the A.F.C.W. and every state is represented. Alma College W.A.A. is the Presidential college for 1956 meeting, which is scheduled once a year.

The volley ball season is almost to a close for another year with just one week of games left. The standings are:

|             | W | L | T |
|-------------|---|---|---|
| Thetas      | 4 | 0 | 0 |
| E-Z-8's     | 4 | 0 | 0 |
| K. I.'s     | 2 | 2 | 0 |
| Slew Foot 7 | 1 | 2 | 1 |
| Tip Toppers | 1 | 2 | 1 |
| Sportsman   | 1 | 3 | 0 |
| Sig Phi's   | 0 | 4 | 0 |

# MIAA Over-All Picture

by John Noud

In the course of a semester numerous questions are asked concerning the MIAA as a league. I hope this article will answer the most prevalent of these questions and also make us more aware of the working of a league which we represent.

To begin with, the MIAA is composed of eight church-related Michigan colleges. Adrian and Albion are Methodist, Hillsdale and Kalamazoo are Baptist, Alma is Presbyterian, Hope is Dutch Reformed, Calvin is Christian and Olivet is Congregational.

Sports sponsored in MIAA are: football, cross country, basketball, baseball, tennis, track and golf. A member must field a team in at least six of these sports. This explains why Calvin can stay in the league without fielding a football team.

The league gives an All Sports Trophy to the member compiling the most points. Points are awarded on basis of a school's finish in the league for each sport. First place receives 14 points, second place 12 points, and so on down, with the last place team receiving no points. All sports count equally toward the All Sports Trophy. Thus there is no such thing as a major or a minor sport as far as the MIAA is concerned. The last time Alma won the trophy was in 1948.

Upon admission to college, a freshman enjoys one semester of eligibility. He must attain a .7 average in that semester as well as pass a minimum of 12 hours to be eligible in his second semester, after which time he must get a 1.0 each semester to maintain eligibility for the following semester.

The athletic policy of the conference is determined by a board of directors composed of a faculty member and a student representative from each school. Professor Skinner and Frank Pierson represent Alma. This board meets twice a year.

The MIAA is the oldest athletic conference west of the Allegheny Mountains and once included Michigan State University.

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# Kring, Raab Named Honorary Captains

The football varsity has elected Marv Raab of Detroit and Jack Kring from Petoskey, two of the squad's three seniors, as honorary co-captains for the just-completed 1955 season.

In addition, Raab was voted the team's most valuable player, as he completed a brilliant year in which he rolled up 960 yards rushing and scored 85 points. Kring, a watch-charm guard, has in four years established a bright name as a stalwart on defense and as a vicious down-field blocker.

The Alma squad also selected its all-opponent team, naming four players from Hillsdale's MIAA champions, three from Kalamazoo, two from Hope, and one each from Albion, Olivet and Ferris. The balloting for the two halfback posts was so close that three men were named for those positions. The list follows:

Ends: Kincannon, Hillsdale; Landeryou, Kalamazoo.  
Tackles: Temple, Hillsdale; Parry, Kalamazoo.  
Guards: Sweet, Kalamazoo; Bishop, Albion.  
Center: Davis, Hillsdale.  
Quarterback: Wahl, Olivet.  
Halfbacks: Adams, Hope; Clark, Hillsdale; McClean, Ferris.  
Fullback: Kuyers, Hope.

# Basketball Drill Begins

Thirty-four candidates, including seven lettermen have reported to Coach Gary Stauffer for basketball drills. With added experience and some additional height, Stauffer hopes his ball club will improve on the 9-13 record of last year as he prepares his team for a rough 25 game schedule that includes a holiday tournament at Naperville, Illinois.

Lettermen returning are: Howard Wiley, Bill McIntosh, Ron Lude, Jim Ford, Howard Anderson, George Carter, Bud Miller, Dick Ayling, and George Arrick.

The schedule is as follows:  
Dec. 1, Central Michigan, Away.  
Dec. 3, Olivet, Home.  
Dec. 7, Albion, Away.  
Dec. 10, Ferris, Home.  
Dec. 13, Calvin, Away.  
Dec. 15, Soo Tech, Away.  
Dec. 16, Michigan Tech, Away.  
Dec. 17, Northern Michigan, Away.

Dec. 29 & 30, Holiday Tournament, Naperville, Illinois.  
Jan. 4, Hope, Home.  
Jan. 7, Soo Tech, Home.  
Jan. 9, Ferris, Away.  
Jan. 11, Hillsdale, Away.  
Jan. 13, Kalamazoo, Away.  
Jan. 17, Adrian, Home.  
Feb. 1, Northern Michigan, Home.  
Feb. 4, Albion, Home.  
Feb. 8, Calvin, Home.  
Feb. 11, Hope, Away.  
Feb. 14, Kalamazoo, Home.  
Feb. 18, Hillsdale, Home.  
Feb. 24, Olivet, Away.  
Feb. 25, Central Michigan, Home.

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# Cross Country Loses to Hope

Alma's 27-32 defeat at the hands of Hope showed two things. First, to have a successful cross country team you must have five men that finish near the top, not just three. Second, if Coach Skinner can find a couple good runners next year, while keeping the freshmen he currently has, Alma can very well be the team to challenge Albion's long time reign on cross country; a reign that has seen them win 60 of their last 61 dual meets against MIAA foes!

These conclusions are based on the fact that Alma's three top runners: Dewey, Brook, and Vinciguerra, finished 2, 3, 4, but yet Alma lost the meet due to 11th, and 12th place finishes by its 4th and 5th men.

Dewey, Brook and Vinciguerra are all freshmen and teamed with freshmen captain Aumaugher they give promise of developing into a MIAA contender.

The presence of Aumaugher, who has been ill, would very likely have reversed the score in this meet.

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