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a visit from jolly ole Saint

Nick will complete the festive

The two organizations aie

also planning a party for the

children at the Baptist Home.

Donations of clothing and

toys no longer in use wlil be

greatly appreciated.

A.C. Hosts

head Harold Mikle.

Debaters Sat.

Alma College will host the

second annual High School

Debate Tourney, November 21.

announced Speech department

High schools to send debaters

will be Royal Oak Dondero.

Grand Rapids South, Alpena

Catholic Central, Bay City

Handy. East Grand Rapids.

Leslie. Grand Haven and Hazel

Also coming will be students

from Ionia. Kalamazoo Central,

Lansing Sexton. Muskegon

Senior. Muskegon Heights,

Royal Ook Kimba'i Shepherd.

Sacred Heart in Mt. Pleasant,

Mt. Pleasant High. Big Rapids,

Country Day in Detroit, Mar-

shall. Otsego and North Branch.

topic Resilved: That the Fed-

eral Government should sub-

stantially increase its regula-

There will be three rounds of

debate and championship cups

will be awarded to winning af-

firmative and negative teams:

certificates will be given to the

Approximately 200 students

will participate. Debates will

Veterinarians

Bio Professor

Dr. Lester Ever, head of the

Biology Department, Alma Col-

lege, addressed the Central

Michigan Veterinarian Associa-

tion November 11, on the Col-

Following dinner in Van Du-

sen Commons, Dr. Ever spoke

on the "Genetic Effects of Rad-

iation," the effects of radiation

on experimental animals, their

tissues and particularly the

hereditary materials of the

cells. Slides were used to il-

lustrate the damage of fall-out

radiation on inhabitants of the

Marshall Islands during bomb

The Veterinarian Association

meets under the presidency of

Dr. Frank Balenbaugh of Cole-

man. Program this year is in

care of Dr. John Delavan, Alma.

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top ten debaters.

begin at 9:30 a.m.

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"The Almanian."

A Scotch Voice

By Thomas Befv; lded

Well, winter pawed u? a bit with Its snow last week, then Monday night cuffed in earnest. The barns and fence posts were very black and the snow was crusted and brilliant. A wind came out of the northwest carrying gray, slashing clouds that raced low and sometimes obliterated the very dark, blue sky fend the sharply defined stars.

Tuesday morning we hurried to breakfast and classes with noses rosy, our hands pushed into pockets. We leaned forward and grimaced as the w'ind tot fingers under our hair, behind our ears or in .our eyes. The warm destinations were wonderful to reach, and then o was much snorting and v.hewing as we stood in line rubbing, or with still pocketed hands, or ss we sat in the ore-class cordiality complaining about the cold.

Of course, home is always fun to go to on days like Tuescay. A warm bed, chair, desk, the comforting limitation of lour closed walls, a ceiling and a floor filled with nice ting'v

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central heat. It is ever so enjoyable to lie on the bed and let the warmth of you gather around and be a little warmer than the general warmth of the rom and to look out past the curve of ice on the glass at the ravaged landscape. The ravagedness doesn't impress you very much though, you who are so comfortable. You are mere apt to think, "My isn't winter a nice tonic. How it peps one up and makes him breath deeper." You contemplate winter from your farm nest, 'tou think of sleigh rides, tobogganning. skiing, skating. You think of Christmas and all its merry green and red and holly. You 'think of happy eggnog slurping and seeing all the old high school gang milling, smiling and mirthful in the context of the smooth beat of a wreck-room party. You think of all the sparkling tinsel turning in front of the gold and red and multicolored lights.

But why not once think how a man looks after he is frozen, how a corpse is blue and frosted and stiff and like eternity. Think how a rnan looks when all that throbbing blood flow is clamped off or think of his cleaned white bones. Forget for a little while the delightfulness of winter and shudder at its awesomeness, its terrible sublimity. You are an age blessed. You no longer must fear the cold. You have conveniences so winter's fun. But just to sober because sobering's sometimes as good for you as mirthing. respect the plight of the ances-

Ah. the meager skins drawn next to our; to save that precious bit of heat, and huddled are we moaning around the flickering fire our cracked faces yearning for its balm while the subtle snow piles and piles, draws near and lays its cold tongue on our bare heels. Do you hear the howl above, that of the wind through the tormented limb? Do you hear it rising and falling. It is life and must eat to live. It is the cold middle of a cold winter and all of God's creatures which he tends and provides for because he as the good shepherd is starvi ig. Have you bathed this cold month? Have you washed away your odor?

Sig Tau's, AST's Plan Holly House

The Sigma Tau Fraternity and Alpha Sigma Tau Sorority are busy making plans for their annual Holly House which will take place Friday. December 11, at the Sig Tau House.

The Holly House has become a tradition on the Alma campus and is open to the student body and faculty members.

Present plans call for entertainment with the talent coming from the two organizations. Refreshments, a Christmas tree with all the trimmings, and

PLACEMENT CASEMENT

Detroit Public Schools will have interviewers on campus Tuesday, December 1, to talk with any qua ified teacher candidates who are interested in obtaining a position in the Detroit Schools f*t*er_for .t'** second semester this year or the fall ol 1960. Openmp will exist in all subject field areas and at all grade levels. Interested seniors should make an appointment tor an

Harrison Magee of the Kroger Company will be on campus Thursday. December 3 to nterv.ew qual.fied seniors who are interested in careers in ment. retailing and accounting, fnterestrf candidates should make interview appointments through the Placement Office.

To the Editor: In the last issue of the almanian. the bold headline read, • Faculty Votes; Clarifies Cnapel policy." But the actual result was quite to the contrary: it did not clarify. Despite President Swanson's delight ovru the reduction of "certain mechanical aspects." the faculty s action still retains the vagueness and ambiguity which has persisted since the semesters

beginning. To add to the existing confusion. new questions have arisen. What is considered regular attendance: by whose subjective criteria? What action will the Executive Committee take for occasional offenders? If this policy is to be continued, then possibly in the faculty s next vote they may consider -certain mechanical aspects an important contribution tu an ordered community.

Also, as a result of the faculty's decision to uphold the statement, "regular attendance at chapel and convocation is required," one might ask just how many of the faculty are qualified to judge the merits of such a program and as such required attendance. Even a casual observation would indicate that these educators haven't heard that "corporate worship is an important factor in college life." In fact, it is our guess that the faculty would be better qualified to evaluate the Union s coffee than the content of the Chapel's program. Their apparent attitude is that a great intellectual and cultural challenge is presented in chapel and that this must be force-fed to the student. If the faculty were required to attend en masse we are sure this concept of "Chapel" would be severely shaken.

Our point is this: to free the program of its mechanical aspects let the student be motivated by good speakers with something to say instead of a different colored card each week. Should the faculty adopt this proposal, then President Swanson's comment. "The action of the faculty, in my judgement, represents a forward step in an attempt to become a mature community," would be most befitting.

The action which should be taken is quite elementary: either give the program order by the inclusion of certain hanical aspects, or better vet, make the program deserving of our President's comments by making attendance subject to the student's evaluation of its benetits.

Upon reading the letter one of the almanian staff members felt moved to answer it. Since letters answered in the same issue, rather than consecutive ones, create more reader interest, his reply is found below.

Gentlemen:

Perhaps these comments from another student's views may serve to stimulate by your own thots some answers to your questions.

First of all, let's analyze that statement: "regular attendance at chapel and convocation is required." You ask by whose "subjective criteria" this is established. The answer is fairly simple- by YOUR ciiteria.lt works this way:

Firs! of all ii is assumed that the student, if he does not personally realize it, can at least accept the idea that corporate worship is an important factor in THE INDIVIDUAL'S life.

and concommiltanily in college

Now, since this corporate wor- y ship is important to me. I am. so to speak "required" to regular attendance. You might say that the personal importance l place on this function "requires" me to so participate.

Given this meaning of required" it becomes obvious then, that the faculty is astutely awarc of the "meaning of corporate worship" and that YO1 aren't! This, of course, is reasonable from an academicstandpoint also, as the facul after all, is EXPECTED to ? know a little bit more about enrme things thfcn we are.

Therefore, ihe complaint on faculty attendance at chapel programs is invalid. 'Since the importance of this corporate worship is ONLY TO ME, THE INDIVIDUAL. I don't give a darn whether the faculty is there or not.

Secondly, the brightly-lighted program you recommend has no bearing whatsoever on the meaning of corporate worship. It I want merely passive entertainment I perfer televisi But when I WORSHIP. PARTICIPATE. If then, the "program" is uninteresting I have no one to blame but my-

In summary, then, it really makes no difference to me whether or not the chapel program is deserving of Ihe President's comments. Its importance lies in the mental, intellectual, and spiritual rewards I reap BY WAY OF MY OWN THOUGHTFUL PARTICIPA-TION. For lack of a better word. I would say that it is comforting- it provides a "solace" to know that in corporate worship. there are others about me who also are participating giving themselves to the moment of meditation, and so receiving from that moment- not the gaudiness of the program, but rather the inspiration and spiritual workings of Iheir own minds PROMPTED by that socalled program.

If 1 substitute "surrender to" r for the word "ask" in the words of a very good friend of mine, he then says: "Whatsoever you SURRENDER TO, that shall vou also receive."

Yours,

- Robin E. Butler

No Culsr-

Due to a paragraph which (due to circumstances beyond our control) was left out oMhe story of the chapel policy last week there has been much confusion concerning the question "What is regular attendance?"

When the faculty voted to uphold the statement, "Regular' attendance at chapel and convocation is required," it voted to abolish the unexcused chapel cuts which in the past have been more or less "legal."

Therefore, there is no such thing as a chapel "cut." Regular attendance means that attendance at all chapel and convocation programs is required. This is a policy of Alma College with which students must comply because they chose to attend A. C., and, therefore, must follow the policies of the school.

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In addition to Pioneer Hall's three resident advisors-Betty Metcalf, Fairgrove senior; Marilyn Lippert, Hillsdale senior; and Liz Crick, Livonia junior-there are six other girls who have been selected as honor residents of the dormitory.

· Girls who were selected are

Linda Alexander, Livonia sen-

ior; Lynette Childs, Vermont-

ville sophomore; Rosalie Karu-

kas, Wayne junior; Carol Stam-

per, Wyandotte junior; Carol

Steward, Vermontville sopho-

more and Kay Patton, New

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house officers and the Dean of

Women on the basis of their

personality, interest, and re-

These girls are expected to

show an interest in the fresh-

men and help them develop a

Besides having just fresh-

men staying in Pioneer Hall,

they also thought it desirable

to have a limited number of

upperclass students living in

Pioneer to help guide the fresh-

men, and to aid them in learning

Mrs. Vreeland said that Pio-

neer will probably remain a

freshmen dorm, because "it

helps the girls who are living

there to feel they belong in

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ACA Requests Toys, Clothes

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To make this party possible A.C.A. needs the help of students in gathering toys and clothing. Any articles that are in good condition but are no longer useful in the home would be appreciated by the A.C.A. They may be deposited at Pioneer Hall.

The workshop for repairing and wrapping gifts will be held on December 3, and all students are welcome to participate.

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also prohibited to student parking, and the place at the end of the walk leading from the lot to the administration building IS PROHIBITED TO ALL PARKING.

5. The maintenance building lot and the science building parking lot are also off-limits to student parking.

Parking on City Streets Alma Police Chief Robert Reed informed the almanian this week that the no-parking ordinance, for purposes of snow removal, is now in effect.

From November 1 to April 1, parking is not allowed on Alma streets between the hours of 2 and 7 a.m. Cars found parked on the streets between these hours will be ticketed.

Psych Club Hears McPherson

Dr. Joseph McPherson, personnel department, the Dow Chemical Company, spoke in the Alma College Dow Science building lecture room at 8 p.m., November 18 in open meeting before the Psychology Club.

Dr. McPherson's talk related to "The Industrial Psychologist and His Responsibilities."

Rules for Freshmen effective on campus 25 years ago.

KEEP IN A CONSPICUOUS PLACE ALL YEAR

It is the custom that-

1. FRESHMEN open doors for Faculty and Upper Class Women. 2. FRESHMEN do not greet Faculty Members with

"Hello"

3. FRESHMEN stand up when addressed by Faculty Members and Upper Class Women.

4. FRESHMEN wear hats when leaving campus.

5. FRESHMEN do not chew gum or eat on the streets. 6. FRESHMEN do not precede Faculty Members and

Upper Class Women to and from the Dining Room. 7. FRESHMEN always pass food to the head of the

table first, and then only with her consent. 8. FRESHMEN do not criticize the food nor monopo-

lize the conversation.

9. FRESHMEN do not fold their napkins until the

head of the table folds hers. FRESHMEN always assist the head when she sits

down. 11. FRESHMEN do not wear middies at dinner.

12. FRESHMEN put their names on the outside of their doors immediately.

13. FRESHMEN do not call or run through the Halls during study hours.

14. FRESHMEN who dance will attend to the rugs before and after dancing in the reception room.

15. FRESHMEN attend to bell duty, and do Almanian

work when requested. 16. FRESHMEN discard high school pins, rings and

sweaters. 17. FRESHMEN wear a green bow not less than five inches in width on their hair for one week from

the publication of these rules. 18. FRESHMEN never fail to help an Upper Class woman when requested to do so.

Drawn up by the Sophomore Women and approved by the Wright Hall Senate. Freshmen who disobey the above

rules may expect to be penalized.

Alma Sends 4 to **AWS** Convention

Friday, Nov. 20, 1959

Four students from Alma attended the A.W.S. Convention at Western University on November 14. The four women who attended the convention are Suellen Baker, Marilyn Rollins, Mary Dalfi, and Joy Bedell.

The women at this convention represented all the women in college, junior colleges, and universities in Michigan. This meeting is held each year to discuss problems of the Associated Women Students.

The theme of the convention was "Not Good If Detached." It concerned the problem of the relationship of A.W.S. to all women on campus.

The principal speaker was Dr. Gertrude Gass from Merrill-Palmer school in Detroit. She spoke on the roll of women in later years.

As a result of the convention, A. W. S. is forming a Board workshop to determine the roll of A. W. S. on Alma's campus, to establish the goals for the coming year, and to relate the findings of the convention to women students at Alma.

40 Participate In Annual **Teachers Day**

Alums who are in their first and second year of teaching returned to the eighth annual teachers day conference on Saturday November 14. The former teacher supervisors and methods teachers of these people were also invited to attend. Although the attendance was not as high as expected as a result of the bad weather that weekend, about 40 people participated in the events of the day.

The SMEA got things rolling with a coffee hour and registration of the former students. Mrs. Hartley welcomed all as guests of the college and the SMEA. The purpose of this meeting was to evaluate the preparation which these teach-

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ers had received at Alma and to give them a chance to discuss their problems.

Two groups were formed. One on elementary education was led by Helen Olson who is teaching at Godwin Heights in Grand Rapids and the other on secondary education was led by Ernie Mousseaus.

These were followed by a luncheon at which Ron Rowe played a flute solo accompanied by Donna Allen. After the Luncheon They attended the Alma vs. Ferris football game.

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A. C. Places 3 On All MIAA Team

8 Selected For Honorable Mention

Twenty-one players have been named to the 1959 all-MIAA football team it was announced last Tuesday. The official selections, made by the league's seven head coaches, list both an offensive and a defensive team since the league is operating with unlimited substitution rules.

Alma College placed three players on the two teams. Offensively, star quarterback Jim Northrup and end Tom Taber, Northrup's favorite target during the year, were selected. On the defensive unit, tackle Larry Essenmacher was named for the second time. Two years ago he was honored at this same position. He did not play last

Northrup was the only unanimous choice on the offensive team. Defensively, guard Bill Huibregtse of Hope College was the lone unanimous cohice.

The Scots also had eight players selected for honorable mention. Named offensively were end Jim Greenlees, tackle Fraser Dean, guard Jerry Wade, and fullback Harold Vandenberg. Defensive honors went to end Gary Wagerson, guard Dick Johnson and halfbacks Lyn Salathiel anad Dave Peters.

For the first time in several years, all seven football playing schools are represented on the first team selections. There was no second team named this year.

Northrup led the league in both passing and total offense. He was third in rushing behind Rogers of Hillsdale and Hurd of Albion.

Taber ran away with the pass receiving title. He gained almost twice as much yardage as Brown of Albion who was sec-

The league's closest race involved Alma's punting star, Lyn Salathiel and Albion's Dick Larson. Salathiel won in this department by averaging a scant six tenths of a yard more per punt than Larson. Last year Salathiel lost to Olivet's punter by seven hundredths of a yard! Lyn averaged 38 yards per punt this season.

Essenmacher, one of the unsung heroes, played a rugged and consistent season and deserves as much credit as anybody else for helping the Scots to a winning record.

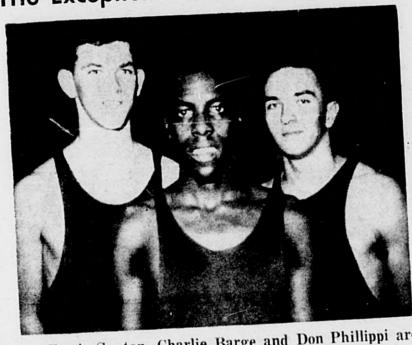
Congratulations to those honored and to the rest of the Scot eleven for a fine effort!

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L. to R., Coach Art Smith, newly elected president of the MIAA with his three stars who made the first team all-MIAA, Tom Taber, Larry Essenmacher and Jim

Trio Exceptional Ball Handlers



Ferris Saxton, Charlie Barge and Don Phillippi are teamed up as an exceptional backcourt combination.

Ferris Saxton, the veteran guard from last year's fine squad is again expected to lead the Alma cagers. He will be teamed up at the guard position with two freshmen, Charlie Barge, Pontiac Central All-Stater and Don Phil-

This trio gives Coach Wayne Hintz a backcourt combination that can shoot from the outside, drive in for the lay-up and are exceptional ball handlers.

Saxton, last year's most valuable player, is the only one over six feet. Both Barge and Phillippi are quite short both only five feet eight inches.

Both these boys are very fast, however, and their ballhandling skills should make up for their lack of height.

Hintz has moved his squad from the small College gymnasium to Alma High's large and modernized court.

The presence of Jim Northrup and Dave Peters, both veterans from last years team, complete the squad.

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Campus Wives Organize Projects

On Alma campus this year, a new organization has evolved. Every other Tuesday night, wives of campus men assem-

The first two meetings were devoted to the discussion of a new constitution. The objectives are not only social but also to promote a closer relationship among the women and participate in community

projects. Several money making projects have been planned, and a bake sale at Penney's has already taken place. At the moment a Thanksgiving basket for a needy family in Alma is being prepared.

Several speakers have been invited to future meetings, and on December 6, a potluck supper will take place for the husbands in the banquet room of the Alma Bank; caroling will follow dinner.

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Northrup Candidate For Little All-Am. Honors

Season Ends For Harriers

This season's cross country team, plaqued by injuries and ineligibility had a rather mediocre season with a 2-5 won-loss record. Due to this the team finished sixth in the league of eight M.I.A.A. teams.

The loss of Jerry Lafferty because of a league rule which prohibits transfer students from competing, and the injury to speedster Larry Woodcox reduced team strength consider-

Warren Slodowski, a sophomore from Saginaw, was Alma's



Warren Slodowski

number one man. Although he had no previous experience in the grueling four mile race, the slender redhead worked hard throughout the season and improved with every meet.

Ed Broadwell, captain Terry Kaper, Larry Woodcox and Chuck Stalemann, respectively, finished the season for Alma.

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Northrup, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Northrup, Alma, is playing his first year at the quarterback spot for Coach Art

Last year he played end and was selected on the all-MIAA League team in that position.

Statistically, he is currently second in the nation among small college players with an offensive total of 1538 yards. He has averaged better than five yards per rush and has completed 47% of his passes. He also has scored 49 points besides passing for seven touchdowns.

The rugged 6'3", 190-pounder led his League by wide margins in both total offense and passing. He ranked second in scoring and third in rushing.

This all adds up to quite an accomplishment for the 19-year old junior, for not many quarterbacks reach the coveted goal of 1,000 yards total offense in one season.

Said Coach Smith: "Changing from a good end to an outstanding quarterback took a lot of hard work and determination on Jim's part and the feat is more remarkable in that he accomplished this in less than one season."

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